

## **PAPER 5: SPEAKING PAPER**

**TIME:** 14 MINUTES (APPROX.)

**NOTE:** The standard format is two candidates and two examiners.

**TOTAL NUMBER OF MARKS:** 30

For the speaking exam, learn some of the expressions on the USEFUL PHRASES sheet.

### **Part 1 – Basic information (3 MINUTES)**

In this section you have to talk about yourself. The questions are always related to home, studies, work, family, leisure activities, past experiences, future plans etc. One of the first questions of the exam is always "What do you like about living in (Valencia)?"

### **Part 2 – Individual Long Turn (4 MINUTES ALL TOGETHER)**

In this part you have to speak for **one** minute. You must compare two photographs and comment on the pictures. Simply describing the two pictures is not enough. The instruction for this part are always "Compare the two pictures and say (something specific about the photos)....." and you must answer that question to get good marks.

#### **HOW TO DO IT**

- Listen carefully to the instructions and remember that the question is also written above the photos.
- Say how the photos are similar and how they are different.
- If you don't know the word for something in the photo, don't use it. Think of something else to say.
- Don't stop talking until the examiner stops you.
- After your partner's turn, you also have to make a short comment about his or her photographs (20 seconds approx).

### **Part 3 – Speaking together to discuss a question (3 MINUTES)**

You are given some pictures and the examiner always asks you to "First talk to each other about ..... Then decide.....", so it is important to spend most of the time discussing the pictures and make your decision towards the end.

#### **HOW TO DO IT**

- Listen carefully to the question and ask to repeat the instructions if you are not sure what you have to do. Remember that the questions are also written above the photos.
- Talk to your partner, NOT the examiner.
- Look at the pictures first, give your opinion about them and ask your partner's opinion.
- Learn and practise expressions used for giving your opinion, agreeing and disagreeing.
- Keep on talking until the examiner stops you.

### **Part 4 (4 MINUTES)**

This final part of the exam lasts about 4 minutes and is a discussion of the topic introduced in part 3.

#### **HOW TO DO IT**

- Remember that the questions in part 4 are based on the topic of the part 3 task.
- The questions offer the chance to talk about the subject in more depth, so try to expand the answers you give.
- Listen carefully to what your partner says and respond naturally to what he or she says, giving your own opinion.
- It doesn't matter if you disagree with your partner, but you should give reasons for your opinion.
- This is your last chance to show what you can do, so don't waste it.