

General Certificate of Secondary Education

Modern Hebrew 3676

Specification

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Mark Scheme

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SPEAKING TESTS

PART ONE

1 Principles of Marking

- 1.1 The Speaking Tests are marked in accordance with the Criteria for Assessment, given on subsequent pages of this booklet.
- 1.2 Part 2 of the mark scheme, given in a separate booklet, gives written details of suggested marks for possible utterances made by candidates in the role-playing situations. This guidance obviously cannot cover all possibilities and should be used in conjunction with the Criteria for Assessment.
- 1.3 No allowance can be made for poor teacher conduct of the Tests. You can only assess what you hear.

2 Mechanics of Marking

Please ensure that the grids on the Examiner's Detailed Mark Sheet are completed accurately. Please conform to the layout shown in the exemplar Mark Sheet given in this booklet. Please note in particular that the Presentation & Discussion and the Conversation marks should be recorded in order: Communication, Spontaneity & Fluency, Range & Complexity, and Pronunciation and Accuracy.

Role-plays 1 - 6	4 x 4 = 16 ÷ 2 =	8
Presentation & Discussion		12
Conversation		20
	Maximum Total	40

3 Role-playing Situations

- 3.1 You must mark role-plays in accordance with the criteria given in this booklet and with Part 2 of the mark scheme. You should also note the following information.
- 3.2 Material shown in brackets in the mark scheme may not need to be produced by the candidate. If it is produced incorrectly it may or may not affect the mark awarded, depending on its effect on the message conveyed. If produced it cannot be ignored.

 All language produced by the candidate must be marked.
- 3.3 You should not penalise the candidate for the same mistake either of vocabulary, structure or pronunciation twice in one role-play. (This may be shown as n.f.p. [no further penalty] in Part 2 of the mark scheme).
- 3.4 If the teacher supplies **key** vocabulary, whether requested or not by the candidate, award no marks for the response, or, if a split response is identified in the detailed mark scheme, for that part of the response.
- 3.5 You should award no marks where a teacher repeats a question after the candidate has given a **complete** and **incorrect** answer. However, if a candidate's response shows that he/she has moved to another utterance, the teacher should go back and try to elicit the omitted response.
- 3.6 It is possible that the candidate's answers will not be produced in the order anticipated. This is quite legitimate. You should enter your marks on the Mark Sheet in the order in which the responses occur in the mark scheme.

4 Presentation & Discussion and Conversation

- 4.1 You must the Presentation & Discussion and the Conversation in accordance with the criteria in this booklet. You should also note the following information.
- 4.2 The Presentation & Discussion are marked separately from the Conversation. You must assess, and award marks for, each of the four categories separately Communication, Spontaneity & Fluency, Range & Complexity, Pronunciation & Accuracy. for the Presentation & Discussion and then again for the Conversation. N.B. In the Presentation & Discussion the mark for Spontaneity and Fluency is awarded on the basis of the Discussion element only.
- 4.3 If the Presentation or Discussion is missing, a maximum of 2 marks can be awarded for Communication.
- 4.4 You may need to listen to each candidate more than once, especially in the early stages of your marking to ensure that you are marking each category individually.
- 4.5 The mark for Spontaneity and Fluency is not limited by the Communication mark, **except** when the Communication mark is 0. In this case the mark for Spontaneity and Fluency will also be 0.

4.6

Communication Mark	Range & Complexity Mark	Pronunciation & Accuracy Mark
0	0	0
1	1 or 2 marks	1 or 2
2	2 or 3 marks 3 marks must include two of Past/Present/Future	Max 4
3	2, 3, 4 marks 3 marks must include two of Past/Present/Future 4 marks must include Past and Present and Future and opinion	Max 5
4	4, 5, 6 marks 4 marks or more must include Past and Present and Future and opinion Revert to 3 if 2 time frame only Revert to 2 if 1 time frame	Max 6

If a mark is awarded for Communication this will inevitably lead to the award of marks for Range and Complexity and Pronunciation and Accuracy (eg 1+0+0 would <u>not</u> be possible).

To score 3 marks or more for Range and Complexity the candidate needs to show the ability to refer to any two of past, present and future events.

To score 4 marks or more for Range and Complexity the candidate needs to show the ability to refer to past, present and future events and to express an opinion. These would require an attempt at an appropriate verb form. One example of each is required in the Presentation & Discussion and one in the Conversation. "an attempt at an appropriate verb form" = a verb which is recognisable but may not be completely correct. Principal Examiners will give language-specific examples at Standardisation Meetings.

- 4.7 You should stop marking the Presentation & Discussion approximately 3 minutes after the start of that section. You should stop marking the Conversation approximately 8 minutes from the start of that section of the test.
- 4.8 If the candidate produces a Conversation which consists **largely** or **entirely** of material outside the scope of the prescribed Topics, you should treat the irrelevant material as if it were silence and mark accordingly for Communication. It is emphasised that this situation is **very rare**.

4.9 If the candidate speaks on only **one** Topic throughout the Conversation, you should find the appropriate band for Communication and then move down two bands to find the appropriate mark. Given the breadth of the Topic areas and the links between them, this situation is **very rarely** encountered, if at all.

5 Exemplar Mark Sheet

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CRITERIA FOR ASSESSMENT

Role-Playing Situations

Communication and Quality of Language				
0	Required message not communicated.			
1	Appropriate response, although inaccuracy or loss of part of the message may cause difficulty or ambiguity for comprehension. The task may not be fully accomplished, but some relevant information is communicated.			
2	Appropriate and unambiguous response, although there may be minor errors or omission of a minor element of the message.			
3	Appropriate and full response. Quality of language is such that minor errors would cause no difficulties of comprehension.			
4	Appropriate and correct response. The task is accomplished fully and without significant error. *			
4 tasks x 4 = 16/2 = 8 marks				

^{*}without significant error" = grammatically correct (but may contain <u>one</u> minor error.)

If an answer contains more than one minor error a maximum of 3 marks may be awarded.

PRESENTATION & DISCUSSION AND GENERAL CONVERSATION

Communic	Communication		
0	Nothing relevant communicated or what is said consists of individual words making no coherent sense.		
1	A little relevant information is communicated. The candidate responds to some questions but replies are very brief.		
2	Some messages/responses communicated, with occasional development.		
3	Most of the responses communicated and developed.		
4	Candidate communicates and develops all that is required with only very occasional omissions.		

Spontan	eity and Fluency
0	Very hesitant and disjointed.
1	Sometimes hesitant; little natural flow of language.
2	Ready responses; some evidence of an ability to sustain a conversation; little, if any, initiative.
3	Answers without hesitation and extends responses beyond minimal requirements with some flow of language; may sometimes take the initiative.
4	Responds readily and shows some initiative; conversation sustained at a reasonable speed; language expressed fluently.

Quality of Language					
Range & Complexity	Marks	Pronunciation & Accuracy			
Occasional words which make little coherent sense.	0	The language used makes comprehension almost impossible.			
Simple vocabulary in lists, phrases or short sentences which sometimes communicate.	1	Frequency and type of errors in pronunciation and structure often make comprehension difficult.			
Responses dependent on structures and vocabulary from stimulus but limited in breadth and variety. Some responses in simple complete sentences.	2	Pronunciation generally recognisable but with quite frequent error. Messages usually communicated but errors quite frequent.			
Responses generally in simple sentences with limited vocabulary and sentence structure. There may be the occasional complex sentence. There is some evidence of a few messages going beyond a direct response to the stimulus.	3	Errors are frequent in pronunciation and structures but do not usually provide a barrier to communication. There is evidence of accurate use of basic structures in simple sentences.			
Some complex sentences with a wider range of vocabulary successfully attempted. Responses go beyond the basic requirements of the stimulus, using appropriate reference to past, present and future events.	4	Errors of structure and / or pronunciation cause only occasional problems with communication. Some more complex sentences are accurately produced. Time frames are used as appropriate but not always well formed.			
Wide range of vocabulary and structure used appropriately in complex responses, many of which show considerable independence of the stimulus.	5	Structures and pronunciation generally accurate causing only very occasional problems with communication. There is accurate use of a variety of tenses.			
Wide ranging vocabulary and structures appropriately used in complex and extended answers.	6	Only very minor errors in structure and pronunciation. Good accent and intonation. All messages fully communicated in accurate target language using a variety of tenses.			

The marks for Presentation & Discussion and Conversation will be allocated and scaled as follows.

Presentation & Discussion		Marks
Communication (in Presentation and Discussion)		4
Spontaneity and Fluency (in Dis-	cussion only)	4
Quality of Language Range and Complexity Pronunciation and Accuracy	6 marks 6 marks Mark / 12 divided by 3	4
TOTAL		12

	General Conversation	Marks
Communication		4
Spontaneity and Fluency		4
Quality of Language Range and Complexity	6 marks	12
Pronunciation and Accuracy TOTAL	6 marks	20

SCALING TABLES FOR ROLE PLAY AND PRESENTATION & DISCUSSION ROLE-PLAY GRID

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PRESENTATION & DISCUSSION GRID RAW SCORE FOR QUALITY SCALED MARK OF LANGUAGE

12	4
11	4
10	3
9	3
8	3
7	2
6	2
5	2
4	1
3	1
2	1
1	0
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PART TWO

Abbreviations used:

candidate's choice of response no further penalty words in brackets may be omitted CCR (otherwise correct response English Pronunciation grammatical o.c.r. Eng. pron. gram.

ROLE PLAY 1					
TASK	4		2	1	0
Say you cannot sleep at his/ her house tonight.	לא הלילה	בלי לישון	אני לא יכול בלי לישון והלילה		
Say why.	כל סיבה הגיונית				
Say when you can come and stay and why only then.			מענה על חלק אחד בלבד		סיבה לא הגיונית
CCR Say what you would like to do when you'll stay over.	שיתאר זמן בעתיד				מענה בזמן עבר

ROLE PLAY 2					
TASK	4	3	2	1	0
Say when you can travel.		אני אפשר ל(נ)סוע		רוצה נסעתי רוצה נוסע	
say why only then.					
Ask how much money you need to bring.		כמה כסף אני צריך?	כמה כסף		
CCR Say how long you would like to stay in Rome.	כל דבר המתאר זמן				זמן בעבר

ROLE PLAY 3					
TASK	4	3	2	1	0
Say why you think it's healthy to eat fruit.				כי זה בריא	
Say what fruits or vegetables you like to eat (2).	שני סוגי פירות שני סוגי ירק		רק פרי או ירק אחד		
CCR Say what do you drink for breakfast.	כל משקה				
Say how many glasses of water you drink a day.	כל כמות שהיא. (* בדיקת הבנת השאלה)				

ROLE PLAY 4					
TASK	4	3	2	1	0
Say when you visited Israel.	כל תשובה בעבר				כל תשובה שאינה בעבר
Say where you stayed.	עיר / שם בית מלון / עם משפחה	אני היה			
Say what you liked most and why.	מספיק רק תואר. אין צורך במשפט מלא.		פרט אחד		
CCR Say when you are to visit Israel next.	כל תשובה בעתיד				כל תשובה שאינה משתמעת בזמן עתיד

ROLE PLAY 5					
TASK	4	3	2	1	0
Say that you have a computer at home.				יש (בלי: לי) מחשב	
Give TWO things which you use the computer for.			רק דבר אחד		
Mention one disadvantage of the use of computers.	לא צריך לומר חיסרון. לקבל אם צויין החיסרון, או דבר שלילי בשימוש במחשב				
CCR Say how many hours you spend on the computer every day.	כל מספר / תשובה שתבהיר הבנת השאלה.				

ROLE PLAY 6					
TASK	4	ဧ	2	ı	0
Explain what you need.	אני צריך טלפון לקנות פלפון / טלפון נייד		לקנות אני רוצה	לקונה	
Find out the cost.	כמה זה עולה? כמה צריך לשלם? מה המחיר?		כמה לשלם?		
Say you need to call England and why.	לדבר עם להתקשר / לטלפן		לקרוא (ל)אנגליה		אני צריך אנגליה
CCR Say how would you like to pay.	לשלם ב / עם/ יש לי ריזה / 17אסטר כארד כל סוג מוכר של כרטיסי אשראי	כרטיס אשרא (בלי ה'יוד')	בכסף		