



Half-Yearly Examinations

FORM 4

SUBJECT: English Language Oral

TIME: 7 mins

Examiner's Paper

Instructions to Examiner

(10 marks)

1. Each candidate is given Task 1 and Task 2 to complete.
2. Greet the candidate and hand out the candidate's paper.

Task 1

1. Ask all the candidates a minimum of three questions.
2. Choose different combinations of questions from the list so that, by the end of the examination, all the questions will have been used.
3. If the candidate's responses are brief, ask more than three questions.
4. Make sure that the candidate is engaged in conversation for long enough (approximately 4 minutes) to enable you to make an accurate and fair assessment of his/her speaking skills.
5. Do not rephrase or improvise questions.

Task 2

1. The candidate should attempt to answer all the questions/prompts on the task card.
2. Candidates can be prompted to answer any question/prompt they do not attempt.
3. Do not rephrase or improvise questions.

Awarding of marks

1. Refer closely to the Marking Criteria to enable you to arrive at a fair assessment of the candidate's ability to use spoken English.
2. A global mark out of 10 is to be awarded after both tasks have been completed.



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LEVELS

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ENGLISH LANGUAGE ORAL

Time: 4 minutes

**Examiner's
Paper**

Task 1

(5 marks)

Instructions to Examiner

Examiner: Look at the pictures. I will be asking you some questions about them.

The examiner allows the candidate approximately 1 minute to look at the pictures. The examiner will then ask questions from the list below to keep the candidate talking for 3 minutes.

If candidates get stuck or give a limited answer to a question, the examiner will repeat the question once. The examiner is to avoid rephrasing the question or asking a different question.

Picture A

Picture B



1. What can you see in these pictures?
2. Name and describe each animal in detail.
3. What kind of climate is suitable for the animals in Picture A? Name other animal species which may also survive in this kind of climate.
4. What kind of environment do you think the animal in Picture B might need to live in?
5. What kind of food do you think the same animal in Picture B is meant to feed on?
6. Although the animals in Picture A are not usually meant to live in Europe, where can we have the opportunity to see these animals?
7. Are you in favour of keeping the bird in Picture B as a pet at your house? Why?
8. Do you think the animals in Picture A are in danger of extinction? What makes you think so?
9. Name a continent or country where one would usually come across the animals in Picture A.
10. Name a continent or country where one would usually come across the animal in Picture B.



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Time: 3 minutes

**Examiner's
Paper**

Task 2

(5 marks)

The examiner hands the task card to the student. He/she reads out the task card below to the student:

Let's talk about domestic and wild animals.

1. Have you got a favourite animal of your own? What do you like best about this animal and what else could you tell me about it?
2. Have you got a pet animal of your own? If so, what kind of animal is it and how long have you been caring for your pet?
3. Imagine you decided to adopt a pet (even though you might already have one), what kind of animal would you adopt? Why?
4. If you decide to keep it at your present home, would you adjust a few things before taking it in so as to make enough space for it? What changes would you make?
5. In what ways would you take great care of your pet?
6. Can you mention any local animal welfare associations, such as SPCA which are currently present in Malta?
7. Would you ever consider doing some voluntary work and helping out at these kinds of organisations? If yes, why? If not, why not?
8. Are you in favour of zoos and marine parks? If yes, why? If not, why not?
9. With regards to other wildlife species, have you got any in mind which are currently in danger of extinction? Why are they in danger of disappearing?
10. Can you mention at least one animal species which has become extinct forever from our planet?

The examiner says: "You will have to talk about the topic for about 3 minutes."

The examiner is to make sure that the task card is handed back at the end of the examination.



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Students' paper

Task 1

4 minutes

(5 Marks)

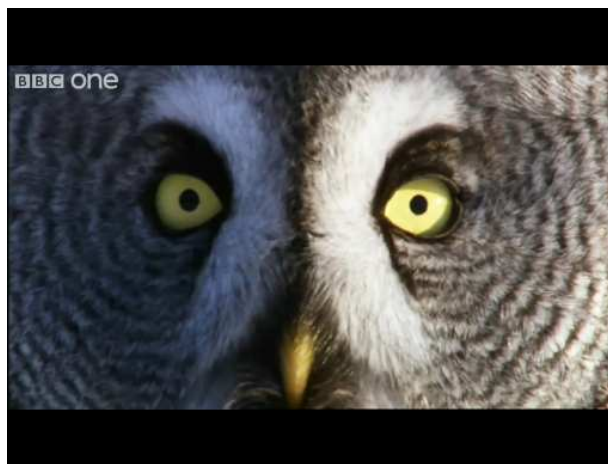
Instructions to Students

Look at the pictures for a minute. The teacher will ask you some questions about them.

Picture A



Picture B





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**Student's
Paper**

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