

Test taker guidelines for the Video-Call Speaking test



On your test day

- Plan to arrive at your test centre at least 30 minutes before your test to ensure you get there on time
- Bring your Identification Document (ID) to the test centre (this must be the same valid ID you registered with)
- You'll be asked to lock all your personal belongings away whilst in the test centre (these will be securely stored)
- Before your test you're advised to use the bathroom before you enter the test room
- Apart from your ID, you may take a small bottle of water into the test room with you (in a transparent container, with the label removed)
- After your identity check and test day photography process, you'll be taken to a waiting area and an invigilator will take you into the test room once the Examiner is ready
- If you use glasses, please bring them with you on your test day as you'll be required to read your Part 2 topic from the screen
- You'll also be required to wear a headset, so please bear this in mind

When you enter the test room

- The format of the Video-Call Speaking test is the same as the in-person test (the only difference is your Examiner will be on the screen, you'll wear a headset and your Part 2 topic will appear on-screen)
- An invigilator will be in the room with you before the test starts and will ensure you're happy with the sound levels
- The invigilator will check your ID with the Examiner before your Speaking test starts
- You must leave your ID on the desk during the test



Before the test starts

- Sit down and make yourself comfortable
- You should be in the centre of the screen



During the test

- Speak clearly at all times
- Tell the Examiner if you can't hear what (s)he is saying, and they can repeat themselves
- Don't touch anything on the table unless asked to do so by the Examiner
- Avoid touching your face with the paper/ pencil etc. as this could affect the sound quality of the test
- The topic for Part 2 of the test will appear on your screen. Please let the Examiner know immediately if you can't see it
- You can use the paper and a pencil to make notes before you speak in Part 2, you'll be prompted by the Examiner when you can use this



- You'll still have 1 minute for the preparation of Part 2 and you'll still have up to 2 minutes for your Part 2 answer (all parts of the test have the same timings as an in-person test)
- The Examiner will tell you when the test is finished, and the connection will end
- Press the button should you need help

After the test

- Before you leave the room, ensure you remember to take your ID
- Leave the paper and pencil on the desk; don't take them with you or tamper with them
- You'll be able to collect your belongings from the secure area before you leave the test centre

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