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 AUTHENTIC EXAMINATION PAPERS

PART 1

The examiner asks the candidate about him/herself, his/her home, work or studies and other familiar topics.

EXAMPLE

Health

- Is it important to you to eat healthy food? [Why?/Why not?]
- If you catch a cold, what do you do to help you feel better? [Why?]
- Do you pay attention to public information about health? [Why?/Why not?]
- What could you do to have a healthier lifestyle?

PART 2

Describe an occasion when you had to wait a long time for someone or something to arrive.

You should say:
who or what you were waiting for
how long you had to wait
why you had to wait a long time
and explain how you felt about waiting a long time.

You will have to talk about the topic for one to two minutes.

You have one minute to think about what you are going to say.

You can make some notes to help you if you wish.

PART 3

Discussion topics:

Arriving early

Example questions:

- In what kinds of situations should people always arrive early?
- How important it is to arrive early in your country?
- How can modern technology help people to arrive early?

Being patient

Example questions:

- What kinds of jobs require the most patience?
- Is it always better to be patient in work (or studies)?
- Do you agree or disagree that the older people are, the more patient they are?

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EXAMPLE

Songs and singing

- Did you enjoy singing when you were younger? [Why?/Why not?]
- How often do you sing now? [Why?]
- Do you have a favourite song you like listening to? [Why?/Why not?]
- How important is singing in your culture? [Why?]

PART 2

Describe a film/movie actor from your country who is very popular.

You should say:

**who this actor is
what kinds of films/movies he/she acts in
what you know about this actor's life
and explain why this actor is so popular.**

You will have to talk about the topic for one to two minutes.

You have one minute to think about what you are going to say.

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PART 3

Discussion topics:

Watching films/movies

Example questions:

What are the most popular types of films in your country?

What is the difference between watching a film in the cinema and watching a film at home?

Do you think cinemas will close in the future?

Theatre

Example questions:

How important is the theatre in your country's history?

How strong a tradition is it today in your country to go to the theatre?

Do you think the theatre should be run as a business or as a public service?

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EXAMPLE**Clothes**

- Where do you buy most of your clothes? [Why?]
- How often do you buy new clothes for yourself? [Why?]
- How do you decide which clothes to buy? [Why?]
- Have the kinds of clothes you like changed in recent years? [Why?/Why not?]

PART 2

Describe an interesting discussion you had about how you spend your money.

You should say:

**who you had the discussion with
why you discussed this topic
what the result of the discussion was
and explain why this discussion was interesting for you.**

You will have to talk about the topic for one to two minutes. You have one minute to think about what you are going to say. You can make some notes to help you if you wish.

PART 3**Discussion topics:****Money and young people****Example questions:**

- Why do some parents give their children money to spend each week?
- Do you agree that schools should teach children how to manage money?
- Do you think it is a good idea for students to earn money while studying?

Money and society**Example questions:**

- Do you think it is true that in today's society money cannot buy happiness?
- What disadvantages are there in a society where the gap between rich and poor is very large?
- Do you think richer countries have a responsibility to help poorer countries?

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EXAMPLE

Art

- Did you enjoy doing art lessons when you were a child? [Why?/Why not?]
- Do you ever draw or paint pictures now? [Why?/Why not?]
- When was the last time you went to an art gallery or exhibition? [Why?]
- What kind of pictures do you like having in your home? [Why?]

PART 2

Describe a time when you visited a friend or family member at their workplace.

You should say:

who you visited

where this person worked

**why you visited this person's workplace
and explain how you felt about visiting this
person's workplace.**

You will have to talk about the topic for one to two minutes. You have one minute to think about what you are going to say. You can make some notes to help you if you wish.

PART 3

Discussion topics:

Different kinds of workplaces

Example questions:

What things make an office comfortable to work in?

Why do some people prefer to work outdoors?

Do you agree that the building people work in is more important than the colleagues they work with?

The importance of work

Example questions:

What would life be like if people didn't have to work?

Are all jobs of equal importance?

Why do some people become workaholics?