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SPEAKING TESTS - FOUNDATION AND HIGHER TIERS

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 gives written details of suggested marks for possible utterances made by candidates in the role- playing situations. This guidance 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. All columns must be completed for all candidates.

Foundation Tier

Role Play	4 x 2 =	8
Co	nversation A + B	
Communication	(A) 8 + (B) 8 =	16
Spontaneity & Fluency		8
Quality of Language	12 + 12 =	24
Total	Maximum	56

Higher Tier

Role Play	4 x 4 = 16 + (2 x 2 = 4) = 20 ÷ 2	10
	Conversation A + B	
Communication	(A) 8 + (B) 8 =	16
Spontaneity & Fluency		8
Quality of Language	12 + 12 = 24 (24 x 3) ÷ 2 =	36
Total	Maximum	70

3 Role Playing Situations Foundation Tier

- 3.1 You must mark role-plays in accordance with the criteria given in this booklet and with Part 2 of the mark scheme.
 - 3.2 Each Role-play consists of four discrete tasks. For each of the tasks a maximum of two marks may be awarded in accordance with the assessment criteria below. There are no greetings or endings included in the tasks. Any greetings / endings given by the candidate should be ignored for assessment purposes.
- 3.3 The cards clearly instruct the candidate to speak first. The teacher may need to prompt the candidate to begin the first task but if any vocabulary or structure relevant to the first task is given in so doing then no mark may be awarded for the first task.
- 3.4 The teacher's script is prescriptive. The candidate may not receive credit for repeating something which has been provided by the teacher in the form of a prompt, whether intentionally or not.
- 3.5 Bracketed material in the marking schemes is not required for the award of a mark.
- 3.6 If a candidate corrects him/herself without any teacher intervention, the correction should be accepted as the candidate's intended response.
- 3.7 If the candidate fails to say anything and the teacher prompts him/her without in any way alluding directly to the task, the candidate's subsequent response should be accepted.
- 3.8 If a candidate gives an incorrect response and the teacher questions it e.g. "I don't understand" or "that's not true" whereby the teacher is indicating that the utterance is incorrect or incomprehensible, then no marks should be awarded for any further attempt by the candidate.
- 3.9 Where a teacher has clearly not heard what a candidate has said and asks the candidate to repeat what was first said, then award marks as appropriate for the repeated utterance ignoring any difference between the two utterances.
- 3.10 If the teacher provides either vocabulary or structures which are in any way connected with the task no marks may be awarded, irrespective of what the candidate says.
- 3.11 There will be occasions when a candidate's utterance cannot be heard however many times the cassette is replayed. In such cases no marks can be awarded.
- 3.12 Accept the familiar or polite form in all role-plays.
- 3.13 Do not accept English pronunciation of words in the target language when assessing communication.
- 3.14 In items where a verb is required, a mark cannot be awarded for verbs indicating an incorrect time frame.
- 3.15 You should not penalise the candidate for exactly 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).

The following applies to Higher Role-Plays only

- 3.16 The teacher-examiner interventions may not be altered in any way. Each intervention may be repeated once only. If the candidate fails to respond after the first hearing, the intervention may not be reworded for the repetition. It may not be repeated or reworded if the candidate fails to respond on the second occasion.
- 3.17 In all Role-Plays where the response is given to a teacher intervention, credit must also be given for alternatives which are valid in the context and may not appear in the mark scheme.
- 3.18 Marks out of four are awarded for each of the four candidate utterances at Higher Tier on a combined Communication and Quality of Language basis.
- 3.19 Marks out of 2 are awarded for the responses to the teacher interjections at Higher Tier. These responses are marked for Communication only.

4 Conversation

- 4.1 You must mark the conversation in accordance with the criteria in this booklet.
- 4.2 You must not make allowances for poor teacher conduct of the conversation. You can only assess what you hear.
- 4.3 The mark for Quality of Language is limited by the mark for Communication

Communication Mark	Maximum Range & Complexity	Maximum Pronunciation & Accuracy
0	0	0
1-4	6	6
5-8	8	8
9-12	10	10
13-16	12	12

- 4.4 The mark for Spontaneity and Fluency is not limited by the Communication mark band at either tier.
- 4.5 To score 7 marks or more for Range and Complexity the candidate needs to show the ability to refer to past, present and future events using a verb and /or appropriate time indicator.
- 4.6 A successful example of each time frame is required for a candidate to have access to 7 marks for Range and Complexity. "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 If the Conversation is too long, you should stop marking after the prescribed time. If the Conversation is too short, candidates are unlikely to score high marks for Communication.

- 4.8 If the candidate produces a Conversation that consists largely or entirely of material outside the scope of the Conversation topic(s), you should treat the irrelevant material as if it were silence and award accordingly for Communication.
- 4.9 If the candidate speaks only on one topic throughout the Conversation then no Communication marks can be given for the topic omitted. Quality marks are awarded for the Conversation as a whole so marks for Range and Complexity and Pronunciation and Accuracy should in such cases be awarded bearing in mind that the candidate has only attempted half of the required Conversation.

Role-play

The following criteria are used for the Role-Playing situations in Module 4.

The Foundation Tier Role-Play is marked out of 8 as follows:

Foundation Tier Role Play - Communication			
0	Required message not communicated		
1	Comprehension difficult or ambiguous. Some relevant information conveyed		
2	Required message conveyed even if not totally correct		
4 tasks x 2 = 8 marks			

The Higher Tier Role-Play is marked out of 10 in the following way. Each task is marked out of 4 for Communication and Quality of Language.

Highe	Higher Tier Role Play – 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 task	xs x 4 = 16 marks			

^{* &#}x27;without significant error' = grammatically correct (but may contain **one** minor error). If an answer contains more than one minor error a maximum of 3 marks may be awarded.

Each response to an intervention question from the teacher-examiner is marked out of 2.

Higher Tier Interventions – Communication			
0	Required message not communicated		
1	Comprehension difficult or ambiguous. Some relevant information conveyed		
2	Required message conveyed even if not totally correct		
2 tasks x 2 = 4 marks			

The mark out of 16 for the four tasks is added to the mark out of 4 for the interventions. The resulting mark out of 20 is divided by 2 to give a total mark out of 10 for the Higher Tier Role-Play. (Half marks are rounded up).

Conversation

The following criteria will be used for the Conversation in Module 4. Each conversation topic is marked out of 8 for Communication.

Comr	Communication			
0	Nothing relevant communicated or what is said consists of individual words making no coherent sense.			
1-2	A little relevant information is communicated. The candidate responds to a number of questions but replies are very brief and there is little if any development.			
3-4	Some communication takes place. The candidate responds to many of the questions asked, and there is some further development.			
5-6	Quite a lot of communication takes place. The candidate responds well to most of the questions and extends many of the answers.			
7-8	The candidate communicates all that is required with only very occasional omissions and develops the conversation in an interesting and informative way.			

The conversation as a whole is marked out of 8 for Spontaneity and Fluency using the criteria below.

Spon	Spontaneity and Fluency		
0	Very hesitant and disjointed.		
1-2	Sometimes hesitant; little natural flow of language.		
3-4	Ready responses; some evidence of an ability to sustain a conversation; little if any initiative		
5-6	Answers without hesitation and extends responses beyond minimal requirements with some flow of language; may sometimes take the initiative.		
7-8	Responds readily and shows some initiative; conversation sustained at a reasonable speed; language expressed fluently		

The Conversation as a whole is marked for Quality of Language using the criteria below.

Marks	Range & Complexity	Pronunciation & Accuracy
0	Occasional words which make little coherent sense.	The language used makes comprehension almost impossible.
1 – 2	Simple vocabulary in lists, phrases or short sentences which sometimes communicate.	Frequency and type of errors in pronunciation and structure often make comprehension difficult.
3-4	Responses dependent on structures and vocabulary from stimulus but limited in breadth and variety. Some responses in simple complete sentences.	Pronunciation generally recognisable but with quite frequent error. Messages usually communicated but errors quite frequent.
5-6	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.	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.
7-8	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.	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.
9-10	Wide range of vocabulary and structure used appropriately in complex responses, many of which show considerable independence of the stimulus.	Structures and pronunciation generally accurate causing only very occasional problems with communication. There is accurate use of a variety of tenses.
11-12	Wide-ranging vocabulary and structures appropriately used in complex and extended answers.	Only very minor errors in structure and pronunciation. Good accent and intonation. All messages fully communicated accurately using a variety of tenses.

Marks are given out of 12 for Range & Complexity and Pronunciation & Accuracy. At Foundation Tier the total mark is out of 24. At Higher Tier, the mark out of 24 is multiplied by 3 and divided by 2 to give a total mark out of 36. (Half marks are rounded up).

SPEAKING TESTS - PART TWO

General Principles

Not all tasks require a verb to communicate. However, for the first task of each Foundation role play a verb **is** normally required to gain full marks. This applies to **all** Foundation role plays.

In utterances where there is communication in the incorrect tense, award 1 mark.

In all cases where a question form is required, if it is given in the form of a statement, award 1 mark..

Foundation Tier

TASK	2 Marks	1 Mark	0 Mark	Comments
	Required message conveyed even if not totally correct	Comprehension difficult or ambiguous. Some relevant information conveyed	Required message not communicated	
Say what sort of room you want.	Ich möchte / will ein Einzelzimmer. Ein Einzelzimmer, bitte.	Ich mochte in OCR Ein Einzelzimmer.	Ein Zimmer	
2. Ask how much it costs.	Wie viel / was kostet das? Wie viel bitte?	Was kostet?	Was ist es?	
3. Say how long you are staying.	Ich bleibe drei Nächte / bis Montag. (Das ist) (für) drei Nächte. Accept Nachte in OCR	Drei Nacht / Tag	Montag Vor drei Nächte	Accept Tag(e) for Nacht/Nächte Any no. of nights
4. Say what meals you would like.	Ich möchte Frühstück/Mittagessen/ Abendessen. Frühstück/Mittagessen/ Abendessen, <u>bitte</u> . Kann ich Frühstücketchaben? Vollpension/Halbpension <u>bitte</u>	Ich mochte in OCR Vollpension/Halbpension	Ich möchte Hamburger und Pommes bitte.	Accept any meal/meals Reject specific food items

TASK	2 Marks Required message conveyed even if not totally correct	1 Mark Comprehension difficult or ambiguous. Some relevant information conveyed	0 Mark Required message not communicated	Comments
Say you want to go into town.	Ich möchte/will in die Stadt (gehen)	Ich mochte in OCR In die Stadt	Stadt	
Say what you want to buy there.	Ich möchte / will (kaufen)	Ich mochte in OCR Item only		
Say when you are coming back.	Ich komme/bin um (Uhr) zurück.	Time only Time + zurück		
4. Ask your friend if he/she wants to come with you.	Willst du mitkommen? Kommst du mit?	Kommst du?		

TASK	2 Marks Required message conveyed even if not totally correct	1 Mark Comprehension difficult or ambiguous. Some relevant information conveyed	0 Mark Required message not communicated	Comments
1. Say what work you do.	Ich arbeite in einem Supermarkt. Ich im Garten arbeiten. Ich trage Zeitungen aus. Ich helfe meinem Vater.	Ich arbeite Im Garten arbeiten Gartenarbeit	In einem Geschäft	
2. Say how much you earn.	Ich bekomme/verdiene/habe zwanzig Pfund. Accept Euro	"pounds, "Euro(s)" (Eng. pron.) in OCR amount only		
3. Say what you do with the money.	Ich kaufe Kleidung. Ich spare (das Geld) Ich gehe ins Kino.		Kleidung. Kino	
4. Ask your friend if he/she has a Saturday job.	Hast du einen Samstagsjob? Hast du eine Samstagsarbeit?	Arbeitest du?		

TASK	2 Marks Required message conveyed even if not totally correct	1 Mark Comprehension difficult or ambiguous. Some relevant information conveyed	0 Mark Required message not communicated	Comments
Say where you are going on holiday.	Ich fahre/gehe nach Spanien.			
Say who you are going with.	(Ich fahre/gehe) mit meiner Familie/ mit meinem Freund.	Mit +Name of Friend	Mein Freund	
3. Say one activity you like to do.	Ich spiele gern Tennis. Ich schwimme gern. Ich mag + sport/activity.	Ich spiele Tennis. Ich schwimme. Ich möchte + OCR	Tennis Schwimmen	
4. Ask your friend what he/ she is doing in the summer.	Was machst du im Sommer /im Juli/August/September/ in den (Sommer)ferien?	Was machst du? Im Sommer? Du im Sommer?		

TASK	2 Marks Required message conveyed even if not totally correct	1 Mark Comprehension difficult or ambiguous. Some relevant information conveyed	0 Mark Required message not communicated	Comments
Say you would like to go to the cinema.	Ich möchte ins Kino (gehen)	Ich mochte in OCR Ins Kino Gehen wir ins Kino?	Kino	
2. Ask what's on.	Was (für ein Film) läuft? Accept "lauft" in OCR Was für einen Film gibt es? Was ist der Film?	Was für ein Film?		
3. Ask what time the film starts.	Wann/Um wie viel Uhr beginnt der Film/es?	Wann beginnt? Was Uhr in OCR	Wenn in OCR	
4. Say you will pay.	Ich bezahle. Ich kaufe die Karten.	Ich habe das Geld.		

TASK	2 Marks	1 Mark	0 Mark	Comments
	Required message conveyed even if not totally correct	Comprehension difficult or ambiguous. Some relevant information conveyed	Required message not communicated	
Say what attraction you would like to visit.	Ich will/möchte besuchen/sehen. Ich will/möchte in den/in die/ins zum/zur(gehen.)	Ich mochte in OCR Ich will + location / Ich gehe + location (no preposition)	Place only	
2. Ask when it is open.	Wann ist es offen/geöffnet?	Wann offen?	Wenn in OCR	
3. Ask how much it costs.	Was / Wie viel kostet es?	Kosten?		
Say how you are getting there.	Ich gehe zu Fuß Ich fahre mit dem Bus. Accept ich gehe mit dem Bus.	zu Fuß Mit dem Bus		

Higher Tier

General Principles:

Although one minor error is allowed, for full marks we are looking for a full response, which includes the use of a verb in the correct time frame. This applies to all H/T role-play tasks. The stimulus for task 1 is provided at the beginning of each role-play in the scene setting.

If two elements are required for full communication, only one mark is given if there is only one item communicated. For Teacher interventions one detail is required – this may not always require a verb. It must be feasible answer in the context of the role-play. This applies to all teacher interventions in all role-plays.

Unless specified otherwise elsewhere, a major error in a Higher Tier 4 mark utterance limits the maximum mark to 1.

TASK	4 Marks Appropriate and correct response. The task is accomplished fully and without significant error	3 Marks Appropriate and full response. Quality of Language is such that minor errors would cause no difficulty of comprehension Allow: 2 minor errors	2 Marks Appropriate and unambiguous response, although there may be minor errors or omission of a minor element of the message Allow: 3/3+ minor errors	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	0 Marks Required message not communicated	Comments
Sag deinen Namen, und wie viele Personen ihr seid.	Ich heiße/ mein Name ist Wir sind vier Personen			One detail only		
2. Sag, wann ihr ankommt.	Wir kommen morgen (an)					Accept any date
Wie lange wollen Sie bleiben? 4. Frag nach dem	N/A Wie viel/was kostet	N/A	Eine Woche /vier Nächte			
Preis.	das?					
5. Wo möchten Sie einen Platz haben?	N/A	N/A	Plausible location – neben den Duschen			
6. Frag sonst etwas über den Campingplatz.	Anything plausible – e.g. Gibt es ein Schwimmbad?			Statement instead of question.		

Roic-i lay o	4 Marks	3 Marks	2 Marks	1 Mark	0 Marks	Comments
TASK	Appropriate and correct response. The task is accomplished fully and without significant error	Appropriate and full response. Quality of Language is such that minor errors would cause no difficulty of comprehension	Appropriate and unambiguous response, although there may be minor errors or omission of a minor element of the message Allow: 3/3+ minor	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	Required message not communicated	
	Allow: 1 minor error	Allow: 2 minor errors	errors	information is communicated		
Sag, wohin ihr fahrt und wie viele Personen ihr seid.	(Wir fahren) nach Zwei Personen.			One detail only		
Gib Tag und Datum der Reise an.	(Wir fahren) am Donnerstag dem ersten August			One detail only.		
3. Was für Fahrkarten möchten Sie?	N/A	N/A	Zwei Rückfahrkarten Accept: erster Klasse etc.			
4. Sag, wo ihr im Zug sitzen wollt.	Wir wollen am Fenster sitzen / die besten Sitze			Am Fenster		
5. Um wie viel Uhr wollen Sie fahren?	N/A	N/A	Um vier / Vier Uhr Accept 12 or 24 hr. clock	Numeral only		
6. Frag sonst etwas über die Reise.	Anything plausible in context e.g. Wie lange dauert die Reise? Wann kommt er in X an?			Statement instead of question		

TASK	4 Marks Appropriate and correct response. The task is accomplished fully and without significant error	3 Marks Appropriate and full response. Quality of Language is such that minor errors would cause no difficulty of comprehension Allow: 2 minor errors	2 Marks Appropriate and unambiguous response, although there may be minor errors or omission of a minor element of the message Allow: 3/3+ minor errors	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	0 Marks Required message not communicated	Comments
Sag, dass du nicht kommen kannst – und wann.	Ich kann im Sommer nicht kommen.			Ich kann nicht kommen		
2. Sag warum.	Plausible reason:e g. Meine Mutter muss ins Krankenhaus.					
3. Wann könntest du denn kommen?	N/A	N/A	(im) Oktober			
4. Sag, was du in Österreich machen möchtest – zwei Details.	Ich möchte Tennis spielen und die Berge besuchen.			One detail only Ich werde in OCR		
5. Wie fährst du zu uns?	N/A	N/A	Mit dem Zug / Flug		zu Fuß	
6. Frag sonst etwas über deinen Besuch.	Anything plausible in context e.g. Wie ist das Wetter im Oktober?			Statement instead of question.		

Noie-Flay 10	4 Marks	3 Marks	2 Marks	1 Mark	0 Marks	Comments
TASK	Appropriate and correct response. The task is accomplished fully and without significant error	Appropriate and full response. Quality of Language is such that minor errors would cause no difficulty of comprehension Allow: 2 minor errors	Appropriate and unambiguous response, although there may be minor errors or omission of a minor element of the message Allow: 3/3+ minor errors	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	Required message not communicated	
1. Sag, wo in Großbritannien deine Stadt /dein Dorf liegt– zwei Details	Meine Stadt liegt in Mittelengland, südlich von Birmingham.			One detail only	Ich wohne in + TOWN	Two references to location needed
Gib deine Meinung über die Stadt / das Dorf.	Ich finde sie/es langweilig					
3. Seit wann wohnst du da?	N/A	N/A	Seit sieben Jahren Sieben Jahre			
4. Beschreib ein Umweltproblem in der Gegend, wo du wohnst.	Es gibt zu viele Autos in der Stadtmitte.		Cicacii danic			
5. Wo möchtest du wohnen, wenn du älter wirst?	N/A	N/A	In London./ in Amerika			
6. Frag sonst etwas über die Stadt, wo dein Freund/deine Freundin wohnt.	Anything plausible in context e.g. Was gibt es in deiner Stadt zu tun?			Statement instead of question.		

TACK	4 Marks	3 Marks	2 Marks	1 Mark	0 Marks	Comments
TASK	Appropriate and correct response. The task is accomplished fully and without significant error	Appropriate and full response. Quality of Language is such that minor errors would cause no difficulty of comprehension	Appropriate and unambiguous response, although there may be minor errors or omission of a minor element of the message	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	Required message not communicated	
	Allow: 1 minor error	Allow: 2 minor errors	Allow: 3/3+ minor errors	information is communicated		
Sag, was für einen Job du suchst.	Ich suche einen Job in einem Büro. Ich suche einen Teilzeitjob.			Ich suche einen Job.		
2. Sag, warum du einen Job suchst.	Ich will mehr Deutsch lernen.			Question instead of statement.		Accept reason relating to job specified by candidate in Task 1
3. Wo haben Sie in Großbritannien gearbeitet?	N/A	N/A	in einem Geschäft Accept in + place / company name			Accept negative response
4. Sag, wie lange du arbeiten möchtest.	Ich möchte vier Wochen arbeiten.			Ich mochte in OCR Vier Wochen		
5. Wann können Sie beginnen?	N/A	N/A	Anfang August am ersten August			
6. Frag sonst etwas über den Job.	Anything plausible in context e.g. Wie viel kann ich verdienen?			Statement instead of question		

Role-Flay 12	4 Marks	3 Marks	2 Marks	1 Mark	0 Marks	Comments
TASK	Appropriate and correct response. The task is accomplished fully and without significant error	Appropriate and full response. Quality of Language is such that minor errors would cause no difficulty of comprehension Allow: 2 minor	Appropriate and unambiguous response, although there may be minor errors or omission of a minor element of the message Allow: 3/3+ minor	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	Required message not communicated	
1. Sag, was du	Ich habe meine	<u>errors</u>	<u>errors</u>	One detail only		
verloren hast – und wo.	Sporttasche im Park verloren.			Ich habe meine Tasche nicht.		
Sag, warum das ein Problem für dich ist.	Mein Geld/Reisepass war darin.					
3. Wann war das?	N/A	N/A	um drei (Uhr)			
4. Sag, wie das Fundbüro dich kontaktieren kann.	Meine Adresse / Telefonnummer ist			Number /address only		
5. Wie schreibt man Ihren Familiennamen?	N/A	N/A	Any three letters correctly pronounced			
6. Frag etwas über die Kontakt - Möglichkeiten von dem Fundbüro.	Anything plausible in context e.g. Wann soll ich zurückkommen?			Statement instead of question.		

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION FOR PART TWO MARK SCHEME

MINOR/MAJOR ERRORS

This information applies to German Specification A Speaking Tests and Specification B Module 4 Speaking Tests only.

These lists are examples of errors, which do (major) or do not (minor) affect communication, and errors not referred to here should be judged minor or major on the basis of their effect on communication.

MINOR ERRORS

These are errors which do not affect communication. The following errors should be treated as minor unless the Part 2 Mark Scheme states otherwise.

1. Articles.

- Use of nicht ein/ eine instead of kein/keine
 e.g. Ich habe nicht eine Schwester –full marks in Foundation Role plays but 3 marks in Higher Role plays.
- Use of ein/eine or der/die with jobs/professions
 e.g. Meine Mutter ist eine Lehrerin –full marks in Foundation and Higher Role plays.

2. Gender.

- der/die/das, ein/eine/ein, mein/meine/mein etc unless confusion arises from change of meaning.
- Wrong agreement including adjectives, possessive, demonstrative and interrogative adjectives
- Wrong gender of personal pronoun e.g. Mein Vater ist nett. Sie ist jung.

3. Number.

- der/die/das for die and vice-versa.
 BUT Ich mag die Kinder for ich mag das Kind may be major depending on the context e.g. a specific role play task
- Singular verb with plural subject and vice-versa e.g. Die Kleider ist nett.

4. Word order.

- Position of adjectives/adverbs.
- Position of negatives.
- Position of word order after weil in Foundation and Higher Role plays no loss of marks

- Position of word order with reflexives e.g. Ich mich wasche. No loss of marks in Foundation and Higher Role plays.
- Position of word order with inversion and conjunctions e.g. Wenn das Wetter schlecht ist, ich gehe ins Kino or even wenn das Wetter ist schlecht, ich gehe ins Kino. Higher Role plays 3 marks
- Word order with modal verbs eg ich möchte spielen Tennis Higher Role Plays 3 marks

5. Tense formations.

- Use of haben for sein BUT not sein for haben. Higher Role play 3 out of 4
- Incorrect verb structure Foundation Role play 2 marks
- Incorrect use of infinitive Foundation Role play 2 marks
- Continuous present (e.g. Ich bin gehen) in cases where it causes no difficulty or ambiguity for comprehension - Foundation Role play 2 marks Higher Role play 3 marks
- Wrong or omitted preposition when this does not affect meaning.
 e.g. Ich fahre im Bus zu Stadt.

6. Omission of reflexives.

Higher Role play 3 marks but Foundation Role play 2 marks

7. Use of 's'

• Using the 'English' genitive e.g. mein Schwesters Schlafzimmer – no loss of marks Foundation Role play and in Higher Role plays 3 marks.

8. Incorrect comparative/superlative

9. Use of du and Sie.

No loss of marks in Foundation and Higher Role plays.

10. Pronunciation.

 A word pronounced in such a way that in the context a sympathetic native speaker would immediately understand what was intended, e.g. mispronunciation of cognates in school subjects vocabulary.

MAJOR ERRORS

Major errors are those which affect communication. The following errors should be treated as major.

1. Statement and question.

• Statement instead of a required question in role plays Foundation role plays 1 mark, Higher Role play 1 mark unless VERY clear intonation.

2. Tense formations.

- Incorrect time frame No marks in Higher Role plays as requirements not met.
- Continuous present (e.g. Ich bin gehen where present tense is appropriate) in cases where it causes difficulty or ambiguity for comprehension Higher Role play 1 mark
- an adverb/adverbial phrase of time denoting the past, followed by a present tense verb e.g.
 Gestern gehe ich Higher Role play 1 mark
- Incorrect formation within time frames e.g. ich habe gegehen, ich werde geblieben and ich bin gegehen both 2 marks in Higher Role plays.

3. Prepositions.

 Incorrect use of vor and für, as this affects the meaning. Foundation Role play 1 mark, Higher Role play 1 mark.

4. Reflexives.

Incorrect reflexive pronoun e.g. Ich wasche dich – Higher Role plays 0 marks

5. Pronunciation.

 A word pronounced in such a way that in the context a sympathetic native speaker would not immediately grasp the meaning of the word e.g. wurde – würde, hatte – hätte.

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