

GCSE Modern Foreign Languages - Main Taught Unit 2: Speaking

Tests should last between 4 and 6 minutes.

Tests which are too short: < less than 3'30" - so 3'29 " is too short

- Automatic deduction of 2 marks on the Content and Response grid.
- There is no adjustment applied to either Range or Accuracy.

Test which are too long: > more than 6 minutes

- Once the 6 minutes have passed, stop listening and assessing at the end of the next sentence.

Test which are a monologue and have no interaction

- Candidates cannot score more than 7 marks for Content and Response.
- This does not affect the marks for either Range or Accuracy.

Open interaction tasks only

- If a candidate asks only one question in a task that requires 2 or more - deduct 1 mark from the Content and Response.
- If a candidate asks no questions in a task where questions are required - deduct 2 marks from the Content and Response.
- The other two assessment criteria will not be affected.

Presentation and Discussion

- The presentation must last between 1 - 3 mins (max). If the presentation is shorter than 1 min deduct 2 marks for Content and Response.
- Where no presentation takes place, candidates can only score a maximum of 11 for content and response.

Although interaction is important in all three task types, **there is no requirement for candidates to ask questions in the Presentation and discussion or in the Picture-based discussion task options.**