Day A (Scripts A1 – A6)

STAGE 1: Introduction (maximum 2 minutes)

Greet the candidate in a friendly way and ask him/her to sit down.

Ask the external candidates if they are familiar with the procedure / explain if necessary.

Ask the candidate if he/she wants the interview to be recorded. When the answer is 'Yes', switch on the cassette recorder and state the candidate's code number. When the answer is 'No', ask if the candidate is aware that he/she can only appeal against the result of the speaking paper if the answer is recorded.

Interviewer: *Hello*. (If the candidate does not know you, tell him/her your name) *I am your interviewer today, and this is (name), your assessor*.

How are you today?

If candidate responds, 'I'm fine', proceed with 'That's good then.' If candidate responds, 'Quite nervous', proceed with 'Just try to relax. You'll be fine'.

Choose ONE of the following scenarios to continue (vary them equally during the day):

Interviewer: Let's talk about the weather. Do you like the weather today? Why? What is your favourite type of weather? Why?

Thank you.

OR

Interviewer: Let's talk about your home. Do you live in a house or a flat? What do you like about your house/flat? Why?

Thank you.

OR

Interviewer: Let's talk about photographs. Do you like to take photographs? Why? Why do people usually like to look at photographs?

Thank you.

OR

Interviewer: Let's talk about computers. Do you like working with a computer? Why? What do people usually use a computer for?

Thank you.

STAGE 2: Task 1

Interviewer: Now, I would like you to speak on a topic for two minutes. Before you talk, you have 3 minutes to think about what you are going to say. You can make some notes if you wish. Do you understand?

Here is a pencil and some paper.

Please, pick a topic. [point to the cards on the table]

What's the number of your topic?

Now you will have 3 minutes.

The candidate has uninterrupted preparation time for 3 minutes. (The cassette recorder should NOT be switched off for that time)

PROCEED WITH RESPECTIVE SCRIPT (A1, A2, A3, A4, A5 or A6)