SPEAKING

Part 1 Introduction and Interview (4–5 minutes)

Introduction (compulsory)

- Good morning/afternoon. My name is _____. Can you tell me your full name, please?
- What should I call you?
- Could you tell me where you're from?
- Can I see your identification, please?

Thank you. Now in this first part I'd like to ask you some questions about yourself.

Interview (choose 1)

Let's talk about where you live.

- Can you describe the area which you live in?
- Are there any disadvantages to living in this area?
- How long have you lived in this area?
- Would you recommend living in this area to others? Why/Why not?

Let's talk about your studies.

- Which university or school are you studying at?
- Which course are you studying/What is your major?
- Why did you select this course/major?
- Do you have to travel far to university/school each day?

Interview (choose 2)

Now, let's talk about cooking.

- Who normally does the cooking in your household?
- Do you think it's important to share the cooking duties? Why?
- Do you enjoy cooking?
- Do you think you will cook more often in the future? Why?

Let's talk about noises and sounds.

- What kinds of sounds or noises do you commonly hear?
- Which types of sounds or noises do you enjoy most? Why?
- Are there some sounds or noises which you dislike? Why?
- Which noises or sounds do you recall from when you were a child?

Now let's talk about messages.

- How do you usually send messages to people?
- Have you always used this method?
- What do you like about sending messages in this way?
- How much time do you spend sending messages?

Part 2 Individual Long Turn (3–4 minutes)

Now, I'm going to give you a topic and I'd like you to talk about it for one to two minutes. Before you talk, you'll have one minute to think about what you're going to say. You can make some notes if you wish. Do you understand?

Here's some paper and a pencil for making notes and here's your topic:

I'd like you to describe a newspaper or magazine which you read.

Describe a newspaper or magazine which you read.

You should say:

which newspaper or magazine it is and what it is about

how often you read it

where you read it

and say whether or not you enjoy reading this newspaper or magazine, and why.

Rounding off questions:

- Would you recommend this newspaper/magazine to others?
- Do you have much time to read?

Part 3 Two-way Discussion (4–5 minutes)

We've been talking about a newspaper/magazine which you read and now I'd like to discuss with you one or two more general questions related to this. Let's consider first the topic of media.

- How have the ways people access the media changed in your country over the last decade?
- The issue of Internet-based music and video piracy has become critical. What do you think can be done about this problem?
- As electronic media becomes more and more accessible, many forms of print media are disappearing. Do you consider this to be a positive or negative trend?

Now, let's talk about the role of the media in your country.

- What type of responsibility, if any, do you believe the media has to the general public?
- Some people think the media is highly influential in spreading new ideas and trends. What's your opinion?
- How do you think the role of the media might change in the future? Why?