

SPEAKING SKILLS IN ENGLISH LANGUAGE

ENGLISH Paper – 1

(Preparation Time : One hour)

(Presentation Time : Two minutes)

A Note for the Candidate

You are required to speak to your examiners for about two minutes on any one of five topics. At the end of your presentation your examiners will start a discussion with you on the topic on which you have spoken, for about three minutes.

You may refer to brief notes on the course of your presentation but reading or excessive dependence on notes will be penalized.

You will have one hour to prepare your topics independently.

The intended marks for questions or parts of questions are given in brackets [].

Choose **one** of the topics given below:

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1. Give a vivid description of a member of your family or a friend. [*You may include a description of what the person looks like, the person's interests and abilities, habits and behaviour and what you feel about him or her.*]
2. Narrate an experience you had while travelling on a bus, train, boat or plane, and say what impression the experience left on you.
3. Recall a current news item in the newspaper or on television. Give an account of the matter and offer your opinion on it.
4. Relate an anecdote, which you consider amusing, featuring a person or people you know.
5. Give reasons why you would like to live in another country **or** why you prefer staying in the country you presently live in.