Exam day tips: speaking tests
(Not including Pre A1 Starters, A1 Movers and A2 Flyers)

Before the test

Check the date, time and address of your exam. Your centre will send you this information.
Check with your centre if there is food or drink available at the venue or nearby. You may need to bring your own refreshments.
Find out how to get to the venue and ensure you arrive before the start time of the exam. Follow the directions to the waiting area or ask at reception.
If you have any questions, contact your centre before the day of the test.
Tell your centre at the point of registration if you need a photo to use your exam result for immigration or higher education purposes.
Please check with your exam centre regarding their Covid-19 guidelines and the measures they have put in place for you to take your exam.

What to bring to the test

Bring your identification (ID), for example a passport or national ID card. It must be the original document with your photo and it must be valid on the day of your exam.
Do not bring food or drink in the exam room (except for water in a clear plastic bottle).
You cannot bring your mobile phone/electronic items/wearable technology or any watches inside the exam room. Your centre will tell you if they can store your electronic items securely. If they can’t, you should consider leaving your electronic items at home.

On the test day

Your centre will tell you where to put your personal belongings and mobile phones/electronic items and all watches. You are not allowed to access these for the duration of the exam.
Your centre will take your photo on the test day for B2 First, C1 Advanced and C2 Proficiency exams and in some cases will note your passport or ID number in our systems. These steps are very important if you want to use your result for immigration or higher education purposes in future. If you are taking C1 Advanced in Asia, Australasia or Africa your centre must upload a test day photo or you will not receive a result.
The supervisor will:
• check your ID
• give you your mark sheet (please do not fold it)
• tell you where to wait, and take you to the test room.
Follow the instructions and wait quietly for your test.
Your supervisor will tell you where to put your personal belongings during the test.
If you have any questions or problems, tell the supervisor immediately.

At the end of the test

Please leave quietly.
You must not speak to other candidates waiting to do their test.

Good luck with your test!

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