**Student’s Worksheet 1**

**Speaking Part 1 – task summary**

**Choose the correct option to complete these sentences about Part 1 of the Linguaskill Speaking test.**

1. Candidates talk about
   1. a topic they have chosen.
   2. some information presented in an image.
   3. the topic that is given to them.
2. Candidates speak
   1. for a total of 1 minute.
   2. for around 40 seconds.
   3. for as long as they want to.
3. Before they start speaking, candidates must
   1. show their notes.
   2. prepare to talk about three points.
   3. choose one point to discuss.
4. During their speaking time, candidates
5. should divide the time equally between each point.
6. must stop talking as soon as they have covered all three points.
7. have to say something about each of the bullet points.

**Student’s Worksheet 2**

**Linguaskill Speaking Part 1 - sample task with sample responses**

**Here is a sample part 1 task from the Linguaskill Speaking test.**

**You will have 1 minute to talk about a topic. First, you have 40 seconds to read the task and prepare what you are going to say. You will then have 1 minute to speak. You can take notes while you prepare. Please speak for all the time you have.**

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| *Talk about your favourite room.*  *You should say:*  *• where your favourite room is*  *• what your favourite room is like*  *• why it is your favourite room.* |

**Two candidates completed this task. Choose Candidate 1 or Candidate 2. Look at the audio script of what they said and answer these questions.**

1. Did the candidate talk about all three bullet points?
2. Did the candidate talk for one minute?
3. Did the candidate clearly introduce the different bullet points?
4. Was this a good response to the task? (Why?/Why not?)

**Candidate 1**

My favourite room is my bedroom. In fact I love my bedroom. It’s the room where I spend most of my time. I play computer games in my bedroom and I like to watch TV too. My mum doesn’t like me staying in my room so much, she wants me to go out and meet my friends. I really like this room because I feel very relaxed in it and it is in my style. When my friends come to visit, they agree with me that it is a good room.

**Candidate 2**

I’d like to talk about my favourite room. I’ll tell you something about where it is, what it is like and why I like it so much.

Firstly, I’d like to say a little bit about the room. The room I like best is the kitchen, which is downstairs in my house at the back. It’s right next to the garden, which I think is a great location for a kitchen.

So, what is it like? Well, it has big windows with views of the garden, and you can open the door and walk straight into the garden when the weather is nice. It’s a bright room, which we painted pale yellow, and it is divided into two main areas: the area where we cook, and a separate area with a big table where we all eat.

It’s easy to see why this is my favourite room. It is a nice-looking room and it’s big enough, so there’s enough space to cook easily. But what I like most of all is that it’s the place in our house where everyone likes to spend time. We are always in there, cooking, eating or just chatting. People say the kitchen is the heart of the home, and that is certainly true for me.

So, that’s a bit about my favourite room.

**Student’s Worksheet 3**

**Speaking Part 1 – organising a response**

**Look at the response from Candidate 2. Identify the different features of the response, using the words and phrases in the boxes below.**

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| Brief conclusion | Introducing the first bullet point | Response to bullet point 2 | Rhetorical question to introduce the second bullet point |
| Response to bullet point 3 | Phrase to introduce the third bullet point | General introduction | Response to bullet point 1 |

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| I’d like to talk about my favourite room. I’ll tell you something about where it is, what it is like and why I like it so much. | **1 …..** |
| Firstly, I’d like to say a little bit about the room.  The room I like best is the kitchen, which is downstairs in my house at the back. It’s right next to the garden, which I think is a great location. | **2 …..**  **3 …..** |
| So, what is it like?  Well, it has big windows with views of the garden, and you can open the door and walk straight into the garden when the weather is nice. It’s a bright room, which we painted pale yellow, and it is divided into two main areas: the area where we cook, and a separate area with a big table where we all eat. | **4 …..**  **5 …..** |
| It’s easy to see why this is my favourite room.  It is a nice-looking room and it’s big enough, so there is enough space to cook easily. But what I like most of all is that it’s the place in our house where everyone likes to spend time. We are always in there, cooking, eating or just chatting. People say the kitchen is the heart of the home, and that is certainly true for me. | **6 …..**  **7 …..** |
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| So, that’s a bit about my favourite room. | **8 …..** |

**Student’s Worksheet 4**

**Justifying opinions**

**Write the missing word in the sentences below. The first letter of each missing word is already there.**

1. The room is a relaxing place to be, in t**\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** it’s quiet and decorated in soft colours.
2. The window looks over a park and that’s w**\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** I often find myself sitting there at lunchtimes when there’s lots of activity going on.
3. I find it easier to work there than in any other room, o**\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** to the lighting and its distance from all the other offices in the block.
4. In fact, w**\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** so many photos on the walls, it’s a perfect reminder of special events in my life, which makes it a wonderful room to spend time in.
5. So, c**\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** all these features, it’s the best room in our house.
6. It’s not particularly luxurious, g**\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** how simple the furniture and decoration are, but it feels welcoming and cosy.