

Trinity ISE I – Conversation Task Pair Work – Learning a Foreign Language

STUDENT A

1. You are the **EXAMINER**. You are going to ask the candidate (Student B) some questions about the topic of learning a foreign language. Remember, this part of the exam is interactive. The examiner and candidate are both responsible for maintaining a conversation.
2. Before you start, read the questions and think about your own answers.

1. Why did you choose to learn English?
2. Do you think English is an easy language to learn?
3. Is it better to learn a language alone or with a group of people?
4. Do you think learning a language is fun? Why / Why not?
5. Will you continue to study English in the future?
6. What is more important, vocabulary or grammar?
7. Have you needed English why you have travelled?
8. Is it a good idea to learn more than one foreign language?
9. Other than English, what language would you like to learn?
10. What language do you think is very difficult to learn?

3. In the exam you have 2 minutes for the conversation task. Ask your partner some questions from above, but don't talk for more than 2 minutes!
4. After 2 minutes, change roles. Now, you are the **CANDIDATE**. You have 2 minutes to answer the questions that the examiner (Student A) asks you.
5. Change roles again and repeat the task until you don't have any more questions.



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STUDENT B

1. You are the **CANDIDATE**. You have 2 minutes to answer the questions that the examiner (Student A) asks you. Remember, this part of the exam is interactive. The examiner and candidate are both responsible for maintaining a conversation.
2. After 2 minutes, change roles. Now, you are the **EXAMINER**. You are going to ask the candidate (Student B) some questions about the topic of learning a foreign language.
3. Before you start, read the questions and think about your own answers.

1. Do a lot of people learn English in your country?
2. Has your English improved recently?
3. Is it a good idea to learn a language through music and films?
4. What is your favourite word in English?
5. What is more difficult, reading or listening?
6. Do you think pronunciation is important?
7. Why do more people learn foreign languages today compared to the past?
8. What foreign language do you think you will never learn?
9. Do you think it would be a good idea if everyone in the world spoke the same language?
10. At what age should people start learning a language?

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