



**HIGHER SCHOOL CERTIFICATE EXAMINATION**

**2000**

**ARABIC**

**2 UNIT GENERAL  
SPEAKING SKILLS**

*(15 Marks)*

*Time allowed—Approximately 5 minutes  
(Plus 10 minutes preparation time)*

**DIRECTIONS TO TEACHER/EXAMINER AND CANDIDATES**

- Candidates have 10 minutes preparation time.
- Long pauses that allow further preparation between items will be penalised.
- Candidates are NOT permitted to make written notes for the Speaking examination.
- This examination is to be recorded on cassette. The cassette recorder should NOT be stopped until the whole examination is completed.
- Attempt ALL questions.
- Candidates MUST state their Student Number, Centre Number and the number of each question attempted.

**TEACHER/EXAMINER AND CANDIDATE'S COPY**

Attempt ALL questions.

You should respond in MODERN STANDARD ARABIC to the printed cues.

### QUESTION 1

You are at the bus stop.

- Greet a passer-by and ask if he/she could help you.
- Say that you are not from here and that you are looking for the post office.
- Repeat the directions given to you by the passer-by.
- Thank him/her for the information.

### QUESTION 2

You are at the police station.

- Say that you have lost your wallet while shopping.
- Say that the last time you saw it was over an hour ago.
- Say that it had your driver's licence and approximately \$250 in it.
- Ask the police officer if he/she thinks that there is any hope of finding it.

### QUESTION 3

You are at school.

- Apologise to the teacher for being absent from your examination yesterday.
- Tell him/her that you had a bad headache and were unable to get out of bed in the morning.
- Say that you went to the doctor in the afternoon and that you have a doctor's certificate.
- Ask when you would be able to do the examination.

### QUESTION 4

You are at the bank.

- Greet the teller and ask to see the bank manager.
- Tell him/her that you would like to borrow \$30 000.
- Tell him/her that you have decided to buy a new car.
- Ask him/her when you will be able to have the money.

### QUESTION 5

You meet a friend in the street.

- Greet your friend and say that you have some important news.
- Say that you have decided to get married in six weeks' time.
- Say what your fiancé/fiancée does and where he/she comes from.
- Say that you will be going to Europe for twenty days for your honeymoon.

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