



**HIGHER SCHOOL CERTIFICATE EXAMINATION**

**1997**

**ITALIAN**

**2/3 UNIT (COMMON)**

**SPEAKING SKILLS**

*(20 Marks)*

**DIRECTIONS TO CANDIDATES**

- The Situations and Conversation will be recorded on cassette. The cassette recorder should not be stopped until the whole examination is completed.
- You have 15 minutes preparation time before recording begins.
- You are NOT permitted to make written notes.
- State the number of each question.
- Attempt ALL questions.
- You MUST respond in ITALIAN.

**CANDIDATE'S COPY**

## SECTION I—SITUATIONS

(10 Marks)

**1.** You are talking to a friend.

- Say that you have been given two tickets to a Lucio Dalla concert for next Saturday.
- Say that it will be a great concert and ask your friend if he/she wants to come.
- Say that the concert starts at 8 p.m. and it will be in the square in front of the cathedral.
- Arrange a time and place to meet.

**2.** At the doctor's.

- Greet the doctor and say that you have had terrible stomach pains all night.
- Say that you had lunch at the fish market and that you started to feel ill in the afternoon.
- Say that you have a temperature and you feel very weak.
- Ask what you can take to feel better.

**3.** Ringing in response to an advertisement for a job.

- Say that you have seen the advertisement in the paper and that you are interested.
- Ask whether the position is still available.
- Say that you would like to know if it is important to speak Italian fluently.
- Say that you have experience in teaching swimming to children in Australia.

**4.** You are in the Tourist Information Bureau in Piazza Garibaldi, Naples. You want to organise a day trip for yourself and two friends to Pompei.

- Ask whether it is better to go by bus or train.
- Ask for a train timetable.
- Ask if there are guided tours once you arrive there and how much they cost.
- Ask at what time the tours start and how long they last.

**5.** You are at the San Lorenzo markets in Florence.

- Ask how much that backpack over there costs.
- Ask if they have a similar one with more pockets.
- Say that you like it, but 90 000 lire is too much and ask for a discount.
- Say that it is still too expensive and you will have to think about it.

## SECTION II—CONVERSATION

(10 Marks)

Respond to the questions asked by the teacher/examiner.