



**HIGHER SCHOOL CERTIFICATE EXAMINATION**

**1998**

**ITALIAN**

**2/3 UNIT(COMMON)**

**SPEAKING SKILLS**

*(20 Marks)*

*Time allowed—Approximately 15 minutes  
(Plus 15 minutes preparation time)*

**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 speaking to your new next-door neighbour.
  - Say that you have been living in this area for eight years.
  - Say that the people are friendly.
  - Say that there are many good shops nearby.
  - Tell her to let you know if she needs any help.
2. You are talking to a friend at school on Monday morning.
  - Say that you woke up very late this morning.
  - Say that you were not able to study last night.
  - Say that your sisters were making a lot of noise.
  - Say that you have not yet finished the Italian homework.
3. You are ringing the airline office in Milan.
  - Say that you are ringing to confirm your flight to Australia.
  - Say that you are departing on 16 January at 9.45 pm.
  - Ask if there will be any delays because of the strike.
  - Ask how long before the departure you have to be at the airport.
4. You are talking to a friend about a recent holiday in Sicily.
  - Say that during the whole holiday the weather was perfect.
  - Say that you visited Sicily's most famous monuments.
  - Say that you tried a variety of regional dishes.
  - Say that you spent so much that you are now broke.
5. You are talking with your Italian teacher after the final exams.
  - Say that you are happy that school has finished.
  - Say that you are sorry to leave your friends.
  - Say that finally you can go out and enjoy yourself.
  - Thank him/her for all that he/she has done throughout the year.

**SECTION II—CONVERSATION**

(10 Marks)

Respond to the questions asked by the teacher/examiner.

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