# **CE AT 13+**

# **FRENCH**



### Level 1 Speaking Candidate

Specimen 2024

#### Instructions

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## CARD A

Q.	Answer	Mark	Additional Guidance
CARD A	Part 1: Role Play	9	
	suggested candidate's answers:		accept suitable
1.	Bonjour. Six croissants, s'il vous plaît.		alternatives
2.	Oui, je voudrais un sandwich.		there is also a mark for
3.	(au) jambon/fromage		quality of language (see page 3)
4.	Oui, une limonade, s'il vous plaît.		page o)
5.	Oui, c'est combien ?		
6.	Merci beaucoup. Au revoir.		
	Part 2: Text-based Task	8	
	suggested candidate's answers:		accept suitable
1.	II/elle s'appelle Alex et il/elle a douze		alternatives
	ans.		assess responses for
2.	Il/elle habite une maison à Londres.		communication only (see
3.	Il/elle a un frère et une sœur.		page 3)
4.	II/elle a deux chiens.		▼ 
5.	Il/elle aime jouer sur l'ordinateur.		
6.	Il/elle n'aime pas lire.		
	Part 3: Open Conversation	8	see criteria on page 4
Total		25	

#### **MARKING CRITERIA**

Part 1: Role Play [9 marks]

Mark (per task)	Completion of task
1	Full communication.
1/2	Task partly carried out; there may be considerable hesitation.
0	Failure to communicate.

Mark (overall impression)	Quality of Language
3	High level of accuracy with no significant errors.
2	Level of language generally good but with a number of errors.
1	Marked weaknesses in the use of language.
0	Little or no effective use of the language.

### Part 2: Text-based task [8 marks]

Candidates' responses to the five questions should be assessed for **communication only**. (A best-fit policy should be used and ½ marks may be awarded.)

Mark (overall impression	Communication
7-8	<b>Very good:</b> all, or virtually all, of the responses are full, include a conjugated verb and are delivered clearly and confidently; the information is communicated successfully, and some additional details and/or opinions are offered.
5-6	<b>Good:</b> a mixture of short and longer responses, most of which contain a conjugated verb and are delivered clearly; the information is communicated successfully, and at least one additional detail and/or opinion is offered.
3-4	<b>Satisfactory:</b> responses may be short and may not contain a conjugated verb, but are understandable; most of the information is communicated effectively.
1-2	<b>Limited:</b> responses are likely to be simple but brief, and some may lack clarity; delivery may be hesitant, with some prompting required; some of the information is communicated effectively.
0	<b>Weak:</b> very brief, often single word responses; communication of the information is limited.

### Part 3: Open Conversation [8 marks]

(A best-fit policy should be used and ½ marks may be awarded.)

Mark (overall impression)	Mark Descriptor
7-8	<b>Very good:</b> a simple but relaxed and natural conversation; a mixture of short and longer responses, delivered confidently; gives opinions, some of which are justified; a good range of vocabulary; the language used is simple but mostly accurate, and some successful attempts are made to refer to events in the future using the near future tense.
6	<b>Good:</b> a reasonably natural simple conversation; responses are usually short, with occasional attempts to offer longer responses, some of which may be pre-learnt; gives opinions; a simple but effective range of vocabulary; the language used is generally accurate, but errors are more frequent; attempts are made to refer to events in the future using the near future tense, with limited success.
4-5	<b>Satisfactory:</b> a basic conversation, with little or no spontaneity; responses are short but adequate, and may rely heavily on pre-learnt answers; delivery may be hesitant; simple vocabulary and structures used, with some significant errors; little or no success in using the near future tense.
2-3	<b>Limited:</b> a limited conversation which lacks any flow; very little information is communicated, and delivery is slow; the language used contains significant errors, with relatively little accurate usage.
0-1	<b>Weak:</b> little or no communication; not easily understood; much prompting required.