

## COMMUNICATIVE SKILLS ASSESSMENT № 2

### 1. **We shouldn't judge people by their appearances.**

1. Why aren't some people satisfied with their bodies?
2. Why is tattooing popular in many parts of the world?
3. What do the clothes someone wears say about that person?

### 2. **Speak about the most important lessons a teenager should learn about life.**

1. Do teenagers use social media? Why (not)?
2. Are young people generally more selfish than their parents and grandparents? Why (not)?
3. Should adults try to teach young people lessons, such as the dangers of taking drugs, alcohol or should they leave them alone to find out about these things themselves?

### 3. **Describe the country you live in to your foreign friend.**

1. What are the similarities and differences between the neighboring countries and your country?
2. What festivals and feasts does Belarus have?
3. What beautiful places would you take your friend to?

### 4. **Travelling broadens our horizons.**

1. What countries would you travel to if you were to do a world trip?
2. Why is ecotourism fashionable today?
3. What is your attitude to extreme camping?

### 5. **Speak about your main goals in life.**

1. What qualities help you to have good relationships with others?
2. Does working hard make you feel good?
3. Why are some people shy? Is it possible for them to change?

### 6. **People need to communicate with each other.**

1. What quality do you admire most in people?
2. What kind of behaviour of other people hurts you most?
3. What do you consider to be your good and bad qualities?

**7. A hobby makes your life much more interesting.**

1. What are your hobbies?
2. What new activity would you like to try doing in your free time?
3. Do people's leisure time activities change as they get older? How?

**8. Speak about your school life.**

1. What are the skills that separate good students from bad students?
2. Why do students cheat during tests and exams? What is your attitude towards cheating?
3. What do you wish your teachers understood about you?

**9. Do you live to eat or eat to live?**

1. Does your family have any special recipes that are passed down from generation to generation?
2. How often do you eat at fast-food restaurants?
3. What is the healthiest food? Why?

**10. Speak about the role of the family in a person's life.**

1. What are the most important duties of parents in the family?
2. What is the best memory you have of your family doing something together?
3. When should children move out of the family home?

**11. My home is the place where I belong and feel comfortable.**

1. Why do many people feel homesick when they leave their home?
2. Why do houses differ from one culture to another?
3. Have you considered the idea of leaving home and going to study abroad? Explain your answer?

**12. A book can change the world.**

1. Do you think that the internet and television will eventually make books obsolete?
2. Do you have a favourite book or author ?
3. Is it interesting for you to read a play or you prefer to see it performed?

**13. Speak about the role of modern technologies in your life.**

1. What is your favorite website? Why?
2. How can computers be used for educational purposes?
3. Do you think the internet has had a positive or a negative impact on society?

**14. To have a good friend, you need to be a good friend yourself.**

1. What is your attitude to internet friendship?
2. Why do people tend to form friendships with people of their own age and social circle?
3. Do you have different groups of friends who never meet one another?

**15. The children's job is "to try their wings" and the parents' job is to "let them fly away".**

1. What are the ways to bridge the gap between parents and children?
2. What problems do teenagers usually face?
3. Do your parents always understand you?

**16. We can't imagine our life without love.**

1. Why is love a major theme in literature, poetry, music?
2. Why do people who are in love seem to be mad?
3. What is the secret of long-term relationships?

**17. Success is a sense of personal accomplishment and self-satisfaction.**

1. Why doesn't everybody succeed in life?
2. What is the link between happiness and success?
3. Is success connected with the amount of money people earn?

**18. If I had a chance to go to Great Britain I would certainly...**

1. Who would you travel to Great Britain with?
2. What places would you visit in London?
3. Do you think your impression of the country will change after you have visited it?

**19. This planet is our home and we ought to take care of it.**

1. What do you personally do to protect the nature?
2. Why is the problem of recycling so important today?
3. Do you think global warming is really a problem for our planet?

**20. Speak about taking opportunities that life offers.**

1. Why is it important to be ambitious if you want to succeed?
2. Why do people who work too much feel unhappy?
3. Have you ever had any regrets about lost opportunities?

**21. Speak about the qualities you value in people.**

1. Why do people tell lies?
2. Why can having no friends be emotionally damaging?
3. Do you agree that cheerful people are successful?

**22. Artificial intelligence is invading the world.**

1. Why do people make robots?
2. What may happen if humans hand over important decisions to machines?
3. What science fiction books and films about robots do you know? What events are described in them?

**23. Is shopping painful for you or is it a pleasure?**

1. Do you like paying in cash or by credit card?
2. Is there too much advertising on television?
3. Do you compare prices before you buy something?

**24. Health is better than wealth.**

1. What makes children and teenagers light up a cigarette?
2. What is your idea of a healthy diet?
3. Would it be a good thing to discover the secret of eternal life one day?

**25. Taking part in sports competitions is more important than winning them.**

1. In what way does sport benefit society?
2. What should we do when people cheat at sports?
3. What new sports would you like to try? Why?