

COMMUNICATIVE SKILLS ASSESSMENT

1. **What would life be without modern technology? Give reasons and examples to support your answer.**
 1. Do you think some people find it easier to learn new skills than others? Why? / Why not?
 2. Do you prefer to text people or to phone them?
 3. In what ways do you think the current generation's working lives are likely to be different from those of their parents and grandparents?

2. **Agree or disagree with the following statement: "Boredom is the price one pays, for not enjoying everything."**
 1. Have you seen any good films lately?
 2. Where do you and your friends go to see live music?
 3. Do celebrities deserve the admiration they receive?

3. **Do you agree with the statement: "The world is a book and those who do not travel read only one page"? Give reasons and examples to support your answer.**
 1. Where would you go if you had a month's holiday and a lot of money?
 2. Which areas of countryside would you recommend to visitors to your country? Why?
 3. Why do you think some tourists take so many photos?

4. **Speak about benefits of sport. Give reasons and examples to support your answer.**
 1. Have you ever been to a gym? Did you like it?
 2. What is the best time of day to do some exercises?
 3. Do you think sportsmen deserve the highest salaries? Why? / Why not?

5. **Protecting our planet starts with you. Do you agree with this?**
 1. Some people say we should avoid unnecessary travel in order to protect the environment. Do you agree? Why? / Why not?
 2. What things can affect life in a rural area the most?
 3. What would you do if you wanted to raise money for a good cause?

- 6. Agree or disagree with following statement: “The limits of my language mean the limits of my world.”**
1. Would the world be a better place if everyone spoke English? Why? / Why not?
 2. For what purposes might a knowledge of foreign languages be useful?
 3. How important do you think it is to study grammar when you’re learning a language?
- 7. “Give a man a fish and you feed him for a day; teach a man to fish and you feed him for a lifetime.” Give your opinion on the role of education in our country.**
1. Why are evening classes popular with people who work during the day?
 2. What do you find the most interesting aspect of learning another language? Why?
 3. What study advice should schools give to young people who are about to go on to higher education?
- 8. “The road to freedom – here and everywhere on earth – begins in the classroom.” Speak about your school and your studies.**
1. What is the most important subject for children to study at school, in your opinion?
 2. Do you prefer studying with other people or on your own? Why?
 3. To what extent should pupils be able to choose what they study at school?
- 9. Do you agree with the statement: “Each friend represents a world in us”? Give reasons and examples to support your answer.**
1. Who would you turn to for advice if you had a problem?
 2. How important is it to have friends who share the same interests as you?
 3. Do we share too much personal information on social media websites?
- 10. Do you agree with the statement: “My family is my life”? Give reasons and examples to support your answer.**
1. In what ways do you think that people’s characters are influenced by being an only child?
 2. What special occasion have you celebrated with your family recently?
 3. How can parents encourage their children to be generous and help other people?

- 11. Do you agree with the statement: “No man is really happy or safe without a hobby”? Give reasons and examples to support your answer.**
1. Has your choice of free time activities changed over the years? In what way?
 2. Do you like going to parties? Why? / Why not?
 3. Can you play any board games? Who do you usually play with?
- 12. Do you agree with the statement: “Choose a job you love, and you will never have to work a day in your life”? Give examples to support your answer.**
1. What are the advantages of working for a small company rather than a large one?
 2. Do you consider ambition to be a positive or a negative quality? Why?
 3. What should employers do to help employees enjoy their work?
- 13. “Your character is so much more important than your looks.” Do you agree or disagree? Explain your answer.**
1. Do you think you can communicate easily with children?
 2. Are you somebody who enjoys talking? Who do you mostly talk to?
 3. Do you like sharing photos with people you know? Why? / Why not?
- 14. Do you agree with the statement: “If shopping doesn’t make you happy, then you are in the wrong shop”? Give examples to support your answer.**
1. How enjoyable is it to shop in large department stores?
 2. Some people say TV ads make us buy things we don’t need. What do you think?
 3. Why do you think people buy clothes in a boutique?
- 15. Do you agree with the following statement: “A book is a gift you can open again and again”? Give examples to support your answer.**
1. What is your favourite quote from a book?
 2. Did anyone read to you when you were a kid?
 3. Do you judge a book by its cover?

- 16. Do you agree with the statement: “The nation’s culture resides in the hearts and in the soul of its people”? Give reasons and examples to support your answer.**
1. How different are holidays in the countryside from those in a city? Why?
 2. What is considered rude in your culture?
 3. Have you ever experienced a cultural misunderstanding?
- 17. Do you agree with the statement: “Eat healthy – feel healthy”? Give reasons and examples to support your answer.**
1. Is eating healthy food important for you? What is your favourite food?
 2. Do you like cooking for your friends? What dishes do you cook?
 3. How could students eat a healthy diet on a small budget?
- 18. “The most important thing in the world is family and love.” Do you agree with this?**
1. When you were a child, what was the most difficult thing you had to learn to do? Why was it difficult?
 2. Why do young people sometimes need their family’s support?
 3. What’s the best present you’ve ever received? Why was it so special?
- 19. “Truly good friends are hard to find, difficult to leave, and impossible to forget.” Do you agree or disagree? Explain your answer.**
1. How do you like to be comforted when you are sad and upset?
 2. Out of all your family members, who are you closest to?
 3. If you had three wishes, what would you wish for?
- 20. “Volunteers don’t get paid, not because they are worthless, but because they are priceless.” Do you agree or disagree? Explain your answer.**
1. What has been your favourite part of being a volunteer?
 2. Do you prefer to work with a team or by yourself?
 3. Are you interested in working with animals? Why? / Why not?

- 21. “Home is not a place. It’s a feeling.” Do you agree or disagree? Explain your answer.**
1. If you could change one thing about the place where you live, what would it be?
 2. What electrical things do you have in your house? Do you know how common appliances work?
 3. How much time do you spend at home? What do you do there?
- 22. Do you agree with the statement: “My key to dealing with stress is simple: just stay cool and stay focused”? Give reasons and examples to support your answer.**
1. Do you think young people are better able to deal with problems than older people?
 2. How important is reading in your life?
 3. What would you do if you suddenly won a lot of money?
- 23. “Entertainment and information work well together.” Do you agree or disagree? Explain your answer.**
1. How might the music affect the way people feel?
 2. Why do you think people enjoy watching cooking shows?
 3. What do you think would be the disadvantage of a celebrity lifestyle?
- 24. “Be proud of your hometown. It’s a big part of what makes you the person you are.” Do you agree or disagree? Explain your answer.**
1. How do you think the place where you live will change over the next few years?
 2. Is it easy to travel around your hometown?
 3. Apart from your home town, where would you most like to live? Why?
- 25. Do you agree with the following statement: “Take care of your body, it’s the only place you have to live”? Give reasons and examples to support your answer.**
1. Do you prefer playing or watching sport?
 2. How much exercise do you do every day?
 3. Do you think winning is important in sport or taking part is enough?