

TEST TAKER EXPECTATION FORM

– LANGUAGE TESTS –

Name: <i>(optional)</i>	_____		
Date:	_____		
Age: <i>(tick one)</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> ≤ 30 years	<input type="checkbox"/> > 30 years	

Please select the answer that most closely corresponds to your opinion. There are no wrong answers – it is your personal opinion. Your answers will assist to further improve the language testing programme.

1. How would you like your language test to be administered? *(tick one)*

- (a) digitally (by computer/online)
- (b) pen-and-paper
- (c) no preference

⇒ If you choose (a) continue with **question 2**; if you choose (b) go on to **question 3**; if you choose (c) go on to **question 4**.

2. For which reason(s) do you prefer digital tests? *(more than one answer possible)*

- More modern/we live in a digital world
- I do all my work on the computer
- More freedom regarding time and place to take the test
- The test results are available immediately
- A computer is more objective than a human rater
- A greater variety of question types/test techniques
- I do not like to write by hand
- Other: *(specify)* _____

Now continue with **question 4**.

3. What are your main concerns about digital tests? *(more than one answer possible)*

- Fear of software issues (log in problems, answers not saved, etc.)
- Fear of hardware issues (bad connection, freezing, power failure, etc.)
- A computer may not be able to deal with typing errors
- A computer cannot reliably measure my speaking/writing skills
- Page lay-out (much scrolling, text and question not on one screen, etc.)
- Other: *(specify)* _____

4. How important is it to you that the following language skills are tested digitally? *(circle one for each skill)*

	Not at all important		Very important	
(a) <i>Listening</i>	1	2	3	4
(b) <i>Speaking</i>	1	2	3	4
(c) <i>Reading</i>	1	2	3	4
(d) <i>Writing</i>	1	2	3	4

5. What is your preferred location to take a low-stakes language test (i.e. a test with minor consequences such as a course placement test)? *(select one)*

- at home
- at my workplace/office
- at a test centre

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6. What is your preferred location to take a high-stakes language test (i.e. a test with major consequences such as an official examination)? *(select one)*
- at home at my workplace/office at a test centre

7. In your opinion, what is the ideal test length? *(circle one for each skill)*

	< 30 min	30-60 min.	60-90 min.	90-120 min.
(a) <i>Listening test</i>	1	2	3	4
(b) <i>Speaking test</i>	1	2	3	4
(c) <i>Reading test</i>	1	2	3	4
(d) <i>Writing test</i>	1	2	3	4

8. How much do you agree or disagree with the following statements? *(circle one for each statement)*

	strongly disagree					strongly agree
(a) <i>Pen-and-paper test are a thing of the past</i>	1	2	3	4	5	
(b) <i>I would perform better on a speaking test with an avatar than with a human interlocutor</i>	1	2	3	4	5	
(c) <i>Listening tests should include video items</i>	1	2	3	4	5	
(d) <i>Dictionaries or spell checkers should be allowed on a writing test</i>	1	2	3	4	5	
(e) <i>It is easier to read a long text on paper than on a screen</i>	1	2	3	4	5	
(f) <i>It is important that I can take the test on a mobile device (such as a smart phone or iPad)</i>	1	2	3	4	5	
(g) <i>The test results should be available within 1 hour</i>	1	2	3	4	5	
(h) <i>It is easy to cheat during an unproctored online test</i>	1	2	3	4	5	
(i) <i>The computer can reliably rate my productive language skills</i>	1	2	3	4	5	

9. In your opinion, what are the most important qualities of a language test? *(select no more than three)*

- reliable
- practical (easy to take/limited duration)
- objective/fair
- measuring competence that is relevant for my job
- computer-adaptive
- clear rating criteria
- no ambiguous questions or wording
- clear instructions
- giving the opportunity to show what I can do with the language
- other: *(specify)* _____

THANK YOU FOR YOUR COOPERATION!