

# SPEAKING

**This test will have 3 parts.**

1. You will talk with the examiner.
2. You will tell a story based on pictures.
3. The examiner will give you a topic card. You will tell your opinion about the topic.

**You now have 10 minutes to prepare your story.**

**Somebody will take you to the test room when it is your turn.**

**Part I: Lead-in and Interview**

The interlocutor will ask the candidate one introductory question and then two questions on another topic. Topics include travel, work, family, sport, cinema, hobbies, education, relationships and housing.

Good afternoon. My name is Mary and this is my colleague Robert. So you are...

*I am Lara Rougier.*

Lara, how long have you been learning English?

*I can't remember exactly. A long time, but I love it!*

Thank you. Let's change subjects. How often do you buy new clothes?

*I don't buy clothes very often, maybe once a month. I like my old, comfortable clothes and new clothes are quite expensive.*

How important is fashion to you?

*I like fashionable clothes, but I don't buy clothes just because they are fashionable. Sometimes I shop in second-hand stores because they are cheaper...*

## Part 2: Picture Story

*The candidate receives a picture story with an opening line; the task is to tell the story. Before meeting the examiner, the candidate has had ten minutes to prepare. The candidate may make notes in the preparation stage but should not read aloud from a prepared script.*



In this part of the test, you are going to tell your story. Lara, here are the pictures and your notes. You can use your notes but please do not read from them. Remember, you only have **1.5 minutes**. You have thirty seconds to look through your notes. Please start when you are ready.

*Winter started and the children were very happy to see the first snow...*



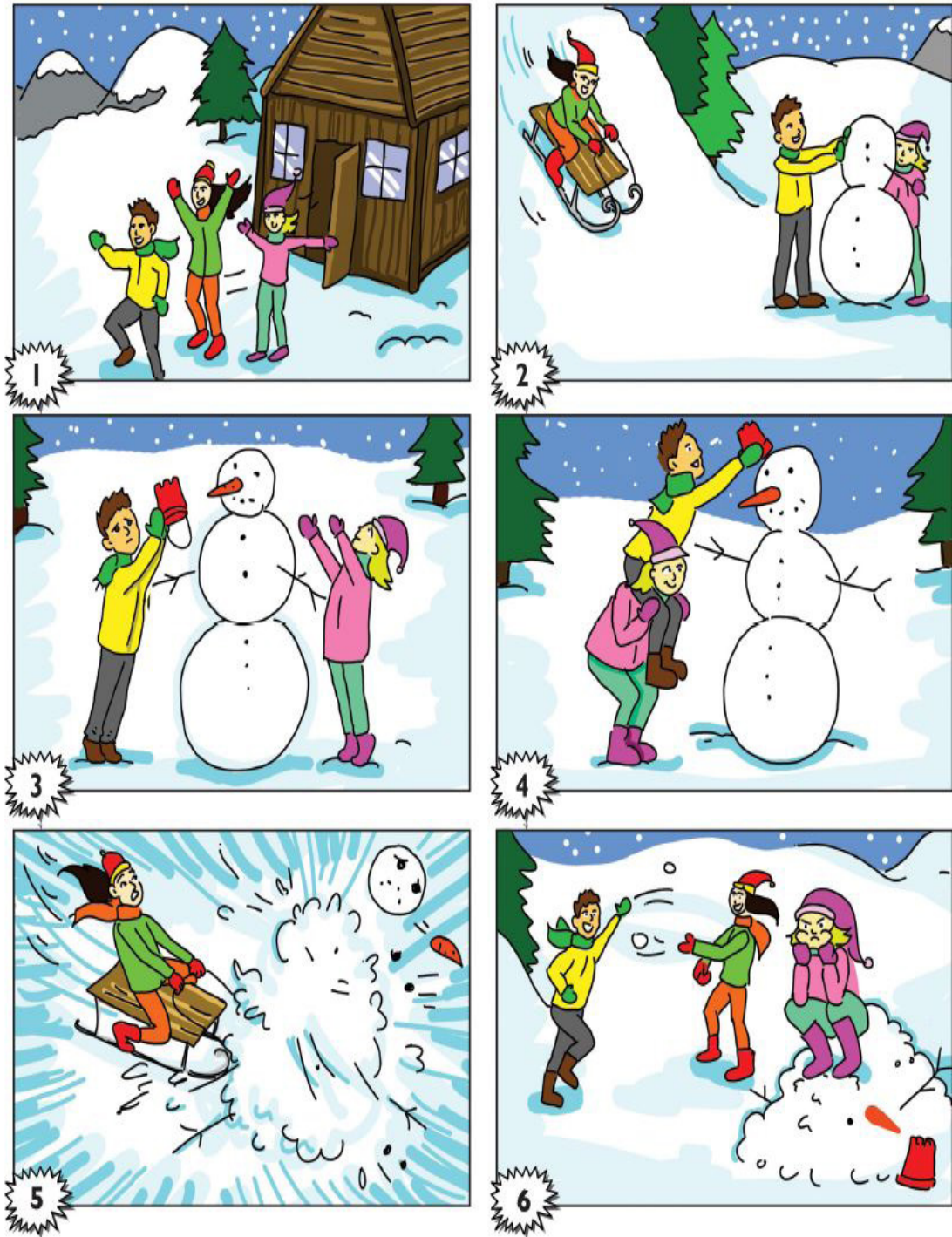
**The candidate tells his/her picture story.**

**Part 2: Picture Story**

(10 minutes to prepare a 1.5-minute story)

**The story starts like this:**

Winter started...



### Part 3: In my opinion

The candidate receives a topic card with a question on an everyday topic. The candidate gives his/her opinion about the topic, the interlocutor only listens.



For the final part of the test, you are going to talk about a topic I will give you. Imagine that you are talking about the topic Free time and entertainment with your friend. You have **1.5 minutes** to tell me about your opinion. I'm just going to listen.

Card

**What is your opinion about watching TV as a hobby?**

*In my opinion watching TV as a hobby can be very good but very bad, too. It depends on a lot of things. First of all, it is very important what kind of programmes you watch because...*



The candidate speaks for 1.5 minutes.



Thank you.  
That is the end of the test. Good-bye!