

BİLECİK ŞEYH EDEBALİ UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF FOREIGN LANGUAGES ANNOUNCEMENT ON SPEAKING VIDEO TASK OF THE FINAL EXAM

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- **1.** Speaking video task constitutes 20 % of the final exam.
- 2. Students will make a 4 minute YouTube video on their channel until the 10th of June and set the video to unlisted (not private).
- **3.** Students will paste their Youtube link in speaking video part on UZEM on the 10th of June 2020.
- **4.** The videos that students will make should be at least 4 minutes long. The content of the video is in the following.
 - Introduce yourself (1 minute)
 - Answer the question you have chosen in the following list (which is relevant to your A1/A2 level) (1.5 minutes)
 - Look at the list of themes and choose a theme to talk about (1.5 minutes) (you can use the subquestions to support your ideas)

GOOD LUCK

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A1 Level Speaking Questions

- 1) What is a special day for you? How do you celebrate it?
- 2) What do you usually do before going on a trip?
- 3) What do you like about your best friend? Give details.
- 4) Do you like the rain? What do you do on a rainy day?
- 5) What is the best present you have ever received? Talk about it.
- 6) Do you usually eat at home or at a cafe or restaurant? Why?
- 7) What do you like and dislike about your school campus? Give reasons.
- 8) Are you an organized person? Give examples.
- 9) Why did you choose your department? Give details.
- 10) Which city or country would you like to travel? Why?
- 11) Who is the most interesting person you have ever met? Talk about him/her.
- 12) What is the best movie you've ever seen? Talk about it.
- 13) What are your favourite places to spend time with your friends? Why?
- 14) Do you have a healthy lifestyle? Why do you think so?
- 15) What is one of your favorite TV shows? Why do you like it?
- 16) What do you like most about your university? Why?
- **17)** When was the last time you went out for a coffee? Give details.
- 18) What kind of things make you feel angry? Why?
- 19) Which city or country would you like to live in the future? Why?
- 20) How can you save money? Give some advice.
- 21) Do you like spending time alone or with other people? Why?
- 22) Talk about a festival or a celebration in your country.
- 23) Do you normally celebrate special events with friends or family? Why?
- 24) When was the last time you had fun with your friends? Give details.
- 25) Do you prefer to study at a library, or at home? Why?
- 26) Who is the first person you tell the good news to? Why?
- 27) Do you prefer going shopping with friends or alone? Why?
- 28) Do you prefer living in a modern city or in the countryside? Why?
- 29) What three things do you want to take with you while travelling? Why?
- 30) What type of holiday do you prefer going on? Why?
- 31) When you go to a restaurant or a cafe, what are the most important things for you? Why?
- 32) Which one do you prefer: writing a text message or calling? Why?
- 33) Describe an object that is very important for you. Give details.
- 34) Do you help people you don't know? Why or why not?
- 35) What is the best place you've ever been to? Give details.
- 36) What are your goals for the future? Give details.
- 37) What do you usually do to relax when you're in a bad mood?
- 38) Who is the best teacher you've ever had? Why?
- **39)** What is the best gift you've ever bought for someone? Give details.
- 40) Do you want to live in another country or city when you are older? Why or Why not?

A2 Level Speaking Questions

- 1) Is there anything you could do well as a child but you can't do so well now? If so, what is it?
- 2) Have you ever managed to do something that you really didn't think you would be able to do? If so, What was it?
- 3) Name one thing you're pretty good at, one thing you are not very good at and one thing you are terrible at. Give details.
- 4) What kind of people do you usually get on with? Explain.
- 5) What did you use to be afraid of as a child but you aren't now? Explain.
- 6) What / Who makes you laugh?
- 7) What do we have to do to be healthy?
- 8) Which one is better; "having a friend that you have the same interests and thoughts" or "having a friend that you have different interests and thoughts"? Explain.
- 9) Do you think making friends on the internet is trustworthy? Why?
- 10) What are the advantages and disadvantages of the Internet?
- 11) What is your dream job? Give details.
- 12) Which one is better to live in big cities or in small towns? Why?
- **13)** What is your happiest childhood memory? Describe it and give reasons to explain why it is your happiest memory.
- **14)** Do you think social media and television have destroyed communication among friends and family? Explain by giving your reasons.
- 15) How would an ideal university/campus be?
- **16)** Why is it important to be honest? Support your idea by giving examples.
- 17) When do people lie? In what situations do you think it's ok to be dishonest?
- 18) If you were given a chance to be born again which country would you like to be born? Why?
- 19) If you were an English teacher what would you do to improve your students' English?
- 20) If you could travel back in time where would you go and what would you do there?
- 21) If you were a character from a movie who would you like to be? Why?
- 22) If you want to learn something new, what would you learn? Why?
- 23) What was the most important choice you had to make in your life?
- 24) If you could meet any celebrity, who would it be? Why?
- **25)** Do you think men or women gossip more? Support your idea by giving examples.
- **26)** What are some types of pollution in our country? What can we do to be able to prevent pollution?
- 27) Which do you think has more advantages, being an only child or having brothers and sisters? Why?
- 28) Is your university life different from your high school life? How?
- 29) What do you do to improve your speaking skills in English?
- 30) Do you prefer indoor or outdoor activities? Why?
- 31) Where's your favorite place to go when you want to be alone? Why?
- **32)** Talk about your first day at this university. Give details.
- **33)** is it important to spend time in nature? Why? or Why not?
- 34) What are the benefits of teamwork? Why?
- 35) What is the key to success in life in your opinion?
- 36) What is your favourite new technology? Why?
- 37) What are some technological devices that are fun and easy to use?
- **38)** If you could go anywhere in the world where would you go? Why?
- 39) What are you planning to do in the future after you graduate?

40) Which is more important to you: money or happiness?

Final Speaking Themes-SubQuestions

HAPPINESS

Are you a happy person? What is happiness for you? Can money buy happiness? What makes you unhappy? Do you agree that older people are less happy?

HEALTHY LIFESTYLE

Do you think you have a healthy lifestyle? What is healthy food? Do you pay much attention to what you eat? Do you think diets are useful or not? Do you think it's hard to give up smoking?

HOMETOWNS

After you graduate do you want to live in your hometown? Why or why not? Does your hometown have any festivals? What happens at that festival? Has your hometown changed a lot since you were a kid? If so, how? Have the changes been for the better or worse? Is your hometown famous for anything? Tell me why I should visit your hometown.

LEARNING A FOREIGN LANGUAGE

What's the best way to learn a foreign language? What methods do you use to remember vocabulary better? Why do some people have more difficulty than others when learning a language? How can the Internet be a helpful tool when learning a foreign language? What languages would you like to learn in future?

MOVIES

What is your all-time favorite movie? Why?Are there any kinds of movies you dislike?Have you ever seen the same movie more than once?How often do you go to movies?Can you remember the name of the first movie you saw that made you cry?

MUSIC

What kind of music do you like? Can you concentrate on other things when you are listening to music? Can you play a musical instrument? Do you like to listen to classical music? Which do you prefer, songs in English or songs in your own language?

NEIGHBORHOOD

Can you tell me some things about your neighborhood? What are the advantages and disadvantages of having neighbors? How have you helped a neighbor? What would you change about your neighborhood? Who would be the worst neighbor to have?

PERSONALITY

What are some characteristics of your personality? Would you like to be different? Do you think you can change your personality if you try? What are some things that make you angry? What is one thing that many people don't know about you?

HOLIDAYS

What holidays does your family celebrate? What do you usually do for this holiday? Are there special foods connected with the holiday? Do you enjoy the holiday? Why or why not? How many different nationalities or ethnic groups do you see celebrating this holiday?

SPORTS

Do you play any sports? Why? Do you ever listen to sports games on the radio or Tv? Do you think athletes earn enough money, not enough money or too much money? How often do you go swimming? Which sport would you not let your child play? Why?

WEEKENDS

What do you like to do on the weekend? What do you hate doing on the weekends? What do you think is the best way to spend a weekend? What would you like to / will you do this weekend? Do you have a horrible weekend memory?

UNIVERSITY

What's the best advice you would tell a brother/sister or friend who is now entering college? What's the best excuse you've heard or given for missing a class? How has your life changed since beginning college? Do you prefer to study with friends/classmates or to study alone? What are some qualities of a good student?

FAVORITE SEASON

What's your favorite season and why? Are there any special traditions associated with different seasons in your country? Have you ever been caught in bad weather? If so, what did you do? What crops are produced in which seasons in your country? Do you think weather patterns are changing? If so, why do you think this is?

FOOD

Are there any foods that you wouldn't eat as a child that you eat now? How often do you eat out? What is one of your favorite foods? What is the cheapest place to eat that you know? Can you cook anything?

FREE TIME

Do you have much free time during the day? Where do you spend your free time? Who do you spend your free time with? If you had more free time, what would you do with it? Tell me about some good places to hang out.

FAMILY

Are friends more important than family? What do you think? Are houseworks assigned to children in your family? Are you pressured by your family to act in a certain way? Are your parents strict? What do your mother and father look like?

FUTURE PLANS

What is your lifetime dream? How do you think you will change in the future? Will robots replace humans in the future? How will computers change in the future? Would you want to live on another planet?

CULTURE

What are some things that define a culture? For example, music, language, ... What do you think is interesting about your culture? What has surprised you when you've met people from other countries? What don't you like about your culture? Would you ever consider marrying or dating someone from another culture?

FAVORITE CELEBRITIES

Have you ever seen a celebrity in person? What did you do? Which celebrity would you like to meet? What would you do if you could spend a day with this person? What do you think of the paparazzi? Would you like to be famous? Why? Are famous people happy?

CHILDHOOD

Did you have a happy childhood? What did you like to do when you were a child? What did you look like? Who was your favorite teacher? Why? Were you good at making friends?

ANIMALS & PETS

Do you have a pet? Why or why not? What is the best pet to own? How do you feel about the use of animals for medical research? Why do some people not like pets? Should animals be kept in a zoo?

BIRTHDAYS

How are birthdays celebrated in your country? What are some birthday traditions you know of from other countries? How do you like to celebrate your birthday? What is your best birthday memory? Have you ever had a surprise birthday party for yourself or someone else?

MEMORY

Do you usually remember things or forget things? Would you like to have a perfect memory? Why? What memory is your happiest? What memory is your scariest? Those who forget the past will repeat it. What do you think this means?

TELEVISION

What is one of your favorite TV shows? Why? Do you prefer listening to the radio or watching TV? Do you think it is good for children to watch TV? Do you think TV can be educational? What TV commercials do you like?

DAILY ROUTINE

What is the very first thing you do when you wake up? Tell me about a typical day of yours. What are some activities you do everyday? Do you g oto bed late or early? Why? What do you usually do in the evenings?

FAVOURITE PLACE

What is your favorite place to visit? Do you enjoy visiting new cities? Which cities would you like to visit in your home country? What are your favorite places in Bilecik? Do you dream about visiting foreign countries?

SHOPPING

Are you good at saving money? Are you saving money to buy something? What do you think about creadit cards? Who do you often go shopping with? Which store do you go to the most often?

SOCIAL MEDIA

What social networking sites do you use? What are some good points about social networking? What are some bad points about social networking? What kind of information are you comfortable releasing to the public? Do your parents use social networking sites?

SOMETHING YOU HATE

What do you hate most in this world? Do you think hating is bad? Do you know anyone who hates you? What kind of people/food/days do you hate? What do you do if you see someone you hate?

SOMETHING YOU LOVE

Tell me three things you really love. How important do you think is love? Is it possible to love everyone? Do you love yourself? Which one is more important: to love or to be loved?

JOBS

What is your dream job? At what age would you like to retire? What do you think you will do after you retire? How much money do you think you need to retire with your lifestyle? Do women usually work after they get married in your country?

CLOTHES

Do you like shopping for new clothes? Do you often buy new clothes? Do you prefer to go shopping or just browse? Why? Do you think men should be allowed to wear skirts? What piece of clothing do you spend your money on the most? Why?

SMARTPHONES

Can you remember your first mobile telephone? Are you happy with the mobile telephone you have now? Why (not)? What are your favourite functions on mobile telephones? What new functions would you like to see on mobile telephones? Do you think mobile telephones are dangerous in any way?

MONEY

How much do you usually spend each day? Are you a price conscious shopper? Are you good at saving money? Are you saving money to buy something? If so, what are you planning to buy? How much will it cost? How much longer will you need to save before you can buy it?

BOOKS

What is your favorite story?Who is your favorite author?Who is your favorite character?What type of books are your favorite?What is the longest book you have ever read? How long did it take?

DREAM HOUSE

Can you describe each room of your house? What does the outside of your house look like? Where do you park your car at your house Do you like the place where you are living? Why or why not? What is your favorite room in your house? Why?

SCHOOL

Did you go to a public high school or a private one? What are the advantages of each type of school? Did you have to wear a uniform in high school? How about elementary school? Did you study art in high school? Did your high school have a band? What instrument would you like to play in a high school band? Why? Do most of your teachers take attendance?

SKILLS

What do you think is the difference between talent and skill? What are the talents that you have which you are proud of? What talent/skill do you have which you want to teach to others? What are the skills that you have which you are good at? How did you manage to become good with your skills? What do you think are the talents which we are born with? Why?

TRAVEL

Have you ever been abroad? Are you planning on going anywhere for your next vacation? If so, where?/Who with? /How long will you stay? Are you afraid of going abroad alone? Could you live in another country for the rest of your life? What was your best/worst trip?

INTERNET

Do you often use the Internet? When did you first use the Internet? How many hours a day do you use the Internet? Who uses the Internet the most in your family? What computer do you use to access the Internet?

CITY LIFE / LIFE IN THE CITY

Why do you like living in the city? What are some of the advantages of living in a city? What are some of the disadvantages of living in a city? Do you know the neighbors who live near you? What's your favorite city? Why? What city do you live in? What part of this city do you like the best? Can you describe the city?

FASHION

Are you a fashionable person? What is fashion? Who is fashionable that you know? Do you read fashion magazines? Which season is it the easiest to be fashionable? Can you be fashionable without spending money? Who is the most fashionable in your family? Why?

HEALTH

Are you a member of a gym? Are you afraid of needles? Are you healthy? Are your parents healthy? Do you catch a cold more than once a year? Do you eat lots of fruit?/vegetables? Do you have any allergies or do you know someone with allergies?

BEST FRIENDS

Can you describe one of your closest friends? Do you have any childhood friendships that are still strong today? Tell us about them. Do you have any long distance friends? How do you keep in touch with your long-distance friends? Do you think it is a good idea to borrow money from a friend? Why or why not? Do you make friends easily? Has a friend ever let you down? Have you made any friends over the Internet?