

Speaking Endorsement Criteria Grid

	Pass	Merit	Distinction
Communication and Interaction			
Communication of information	Gives some relevant info Generally short responses	Mainly relevant info - some longer responses	Detailed, relevant info with some extended responses
Expression of opinions	Simple thoughts and opinions	Opinions with simple justification	Variety of opinions with justification
Asking questions	Asks straightforward questions	Asks some varied questions for info	Asks variety of ques using range of q. forms
Answering questions	Answers questions that are understood. Occasionally adapts language to need	Responds and develops some ans – adapts lang with some success	Responds to a variety of ques, often developing answers
Range of Language			
Use of grammatical structures	Uses mostly simple gr. structures	Straightforward gr str and occasional complex structures	Manipulates variety of structures, inclu complex
Vocabulary and Expressions	Limited range of familiar vocab and expressions	Relevant and some varied vocab, expressions	Range of relevant and variety
Use of tenses	Occasional success with present and past/future	Generally successful with present and past/future	Mostly successful
Accuracy			
Vocabulary and Grammar	Mainly correct vocab. Familiar and simple grammar	Generally good accuracy using straightforward vocab and grammar	Predominantly accurate lang. range of vocab, some complex grammar
Errors in Communication	Likely errors Sometimes impede	Errors incur when complex lang attempted, can hinder clarity of chat	Minor errors incur with complex str and vocab but rarely hinder clarity
Pronunciation and Intonation			
Pronunciation and Intonation	Mostly understandable pronunciation	Generally good pron and intonation but some inconsistency	Overall accurate and intelligible P and I
Errors in P and I	Makes errors that sometimes impede communication	Makes some errors, sometimes hinder clarity of communication	Makes occasional errors but these rarely impede clarity of chat
English language interference	May be frequent English interference	May be some English interference	May be occasional English interference