

**SCOPE AND FORMAT OF THE ORAL SUBTEST OF THE B2 LEVEL
EXAMINATION (BE)**

Exam Subtest	Task Types	Assessment Criteria	Language Skills
Oral (conducted in pairs)	<p>Warm-up Each student introduces themselves and gives their first and last name.</p>	<p>The exam is assessed by two examiners according to general criteria for assessing speaking skills:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • mediation skills (text processing), • interactive and communicative effectiveness (including fluency of speech), • accuracy of grammar and lexis (structure + adequacy), • range of grammar and business vocabulary (adequacy of usage), • pronunciation and intonation. 	<p>Student's interaction, mediation, and argumentation skills. Their ability to communicate effectively in everyday and professional situations; their ability to participate in discussions on familiar topics, and to explain and justify their own opinions.</p> <p>Enabling skills: grammar, lexis, pronunciation</p>
	<p>Task 1: Students ask each other questions on a selected topic.</p>		
	<p>Task 2: Each student gives a short presentation on a text they have been given to read (2 mins preparation and 2 mins presentation). They then conduct a discussion (3-4 mins) among themselves on the same topic.</p>		

The oral part of the exam lasts about 17 minutes.

The maximum number of points for the oral part of the exam is 40. The required minimum to pass is 60% (24 points).