

BASIC COMMUNICATION CERTIFICATE IN ENGLISH (BCCE™) SPEAKING SECTION: SCORING RUBRICS

	Task Completion	Fluency & Interaction	Linguistic Resources
FOCUS	Relevance Development	Flow of speechUnderstanding	Complexity & accuracy of: • Grammar & syntax • Vocabulary
5 HIGH PASS Effective speaker	Utterances are consistently relevant to the task. Points are well developed.	Consistently maintains a flow of language, with hesitations mainly confined to longer responses. Consistently understands the interlocutor.	Consistently good control of structures and vocabulary, even on less routine topics. Consistently maintains a high degree of grammatical and syntactical accuracy on frequently used patterns, and consistently chooses appropriate vocabulary. Errors may occur, but do not impede communication.
4 PASS Good speaker	Utterances are mostly relevant to the task. Points are mostly developed.	Some hesitations and pauses may occur, including in shorter responses, but do not hinder communication. Mostly understands the interlocutor, though may seek occasional clarification.	Mostly has good control of structures, and mostly displays sufficient lexical range to accomplish the tasks effectively. Mostly maintains a fairly high degree of grammatical and syntactical accuracy, and mostly chooses appropriate vocabulary, especially for more routine topics. Errors may occasionally occur, but mostly do not impede communication.
3 NARROW PASS Satisfactory speaker	Utterances are often relevant to the task. Some points may be more developed than others.	Some hesitations and pauses may interrupt the flow of communication at times, but not enough to deter a patient listener. Mostly understands the interlocutor but may need to ask for repetition or clarification.	Often uses frequently used structures correctly, and often displays sufficient lexical range to accomplish the tasks satisfactorily. Often maintains a satisfactory degree of grammatical and syntactical accuracy, and often chooses appropriate vocabulary, but limitations evident when addressing less routine topics. Basic errors may sometimes occur, but do not usually impede communication.
2 NARROW FAIL Limited speaker	Utterances are often irrelevant to the task. Many points are not sufficiently developed.	Mostly produces very short responses. Hesitations and pauses are frequent enough to disrupt the flow of speech noticeably. Often has difficulty understanding the interlocutor.	Often uses a limited variety of structures, and often displays a lack of lexical range. Errors may often impede communication.
1 FAIL Ineffective speaker	Utterances are mostly irrelevant to the task. Most points are not sufficiently developed. No attempt at task.	Very frequent hesitations and long pauses occur which require a great deal of patience from the listener. Very frequent difficulty in understanding the interlocutor. No language produced.	Mostly uses a very limited variety of structures, and mostly displays a lack of lexical range. Basic errors occur which frequently impede communication. No language produced.