

## **TOPICS FOR THE KET SPEAKING TEST: TALK ABOUT.....**

### **FAMILY**

Parents/ brothers/sisters/best friend: physical description (v.scheda *Physical appearance*): I look like my mother, we've got the same eyes/hair etc...; personality (v. scheda *adjectives of personality*: sweet, generous, friendly, reliable, bossy, good-tempered). My brother is very friendly. Everybody likes him. My sister is very bossy, she always touches my things....She/he gets on my nerves.; relationship What do you argue about? Who do you argue with? I argue with...., I argue about... TV programmes (v. scheda *entertainment and media*): I want to watch..., my brother wants to watch..., about school, about parties, about the time to come back home on Saturday night; about housework: My mother wants me to.... ; I get on well with....because...

### **BEST FRIEND**

My best friend's name is... I have known him for /since....  
Physical description, personality. My best friend is very kind. She always helps me if I have a problem. When I'm sad she makes me laugh. She listens to me when I have a problem, She never talks behind my back. She keeps my secrets.

### **HOMETOWN/PLACE YOU LIVE IN**

What town do you come from? What do you think of your hometown? Geographical features; historical places; Do you like living in your village? Why/Why not? Villages vs cities/towns (making comparisons using comparatives: less polluted, greener, safer, more dangerous, people are friendlier etc...); the pros and cons of living in a small village (like/don't like living in a small village). I have been living in ...for/ since...

### **YOUR HOUSE**

Do you live in a flat or in a house? What does it look like? Is it big or small? How many rooms/floors are there? There is a..., there are two...Upstairs/downstairs/on the ground/on the first floor. What room do you like best? What does your bedroom look like? What colour is it? Do you share it? Do you have your own bedroom? Describe it using in, on, under.(v. scheda *house and home 1 and 2*). Do you help your mother with the housework? What do you do to help?

### **HOBBIES/FREE TIME**

#### **SPORT**

What do you usually do in your free time? (v. scheda *Leisure activities*) What's your favourite sport (v. scheda *Sports*): type of sport ( individual/team sport, winter/summer sport),special equipment to practise it; how often/where/ do you practise it?; Why do you practise it (challenging, exciting, interesting, great fun); who do you practise it with? When do you have a match? Do you often win or lose? Who is your favourite sportsperson? Are you fit enough? How often do you exercise? I have practised football for/since...

#### **COMPUTERS/INTERNET**

Where do you use it? (at home, at school); What do you use it for? ( to study, to do my homework, to practise languages, to play games ( types of games: race games, adventure games, educational games, sports games; vr games); What's your favourite computer game? Why do you like it? ( fast, exciting, challenging, realistic, addictive); What's the aim of the game? Do you have computers at school? What do you think of them? How many hours a week do you spend on a computer?

Have you ever visited the Internet? Where? When? What do you use the Internet for? ( I usually surf the Internet: to look for information, to listen to foreign radio stations, to get sports results, to download games and software, music, to send e-mails, to visit sites, to learn English....) What are your favourite websites?

## **COLLECTING**

Do you collect anything? What do you collect? Phone cards, stamps, old postcards, model cars, cuddly toys, animal/glass ornaments, foreign coins, fizzy drink cans, carrier bags. When did you start your collection? I started when I was....; How many have you collected? Where do you keep them? I keep them in a box/ a cabinet/an album/ a drawer/ a cupboard; on a shelf/ on the bed. Do you exchange or buy them? What's your aim? My aim is to get....

## **YOUR DIET/FOOD**

What do you usually have for breakfast, for lunch, for dinner? I usually have.... I like, I hate....., Is your diet healthy? Why? Why not? My diet is very healthy, quiet healthy, unhealthy. I eat a lot of, too many..../too much....; I shouldn't eat so much junk food/fatty food/ I shouldn't drink so many fizzy drinks because they contain a lot of sugar which causes tooth-decay. I should eat/drink more....;less....; fewer French fries; (v. scheda *food*)

## **MY AMBITIONS/MY PLANS**

What are you going to do when you leave school? When are you going to leave school? Are you going to study at university? What are you going to study? Law, medicine, business, economics, languages...; What do you want to be? Why? (v. scheda *jobs*); Do you have any plans for the future? When are you going to get married? What type of car are you going to drive? I'm going to drive a BMW because I like fast cars, sports cars etc...; Where are you going to live? I'm going to live in another country, in the countryside, at the sea side; in the mountains; What type of house are you going to live in ( v. types of houses sulla scheda *house and home*).Are you going to live in another country? Where? Why?; How many children are you going to have?

## **FILMS/BOOKS/TV PROGRAMMES/MUSIC**

What type of films/books/TV programmes/music do you like best? Why? (v. scheda *Entertainment and media*). How often do you go to the cinema? How many hours of TV do you watch every day? What is your favourite programme? When is it on? Do you watch sport on TV. Where do you usually listen to music? Who is your favourite singer? Do you often buy CDs? Why / Why not? Do you download music from the Internet? Have you got an MP3 player?

## **SCHOOL**

Is it big or small, old or new? How many classes are there? How many students? Are there any special rooms/laboratories? Art room , computer room/lab, music room, video room; do you like going to school? Why/Why not?, What is/are your favourite subject/s? (revise the school subjects). I'm good/quite good at... I like Science best, because..... Which subjects are the most difficult? How do you get to school? How long does it take you? Do you have much homework? Do you like school?

## **SHOPPING/CLOTHES**

Do like food shopping? Do you like clothes shopping? Where do you usually shop? What are your favourite shops? What do you usually buy? What are your favourite clothes? Do you buy designer clothes? Why/Why not? Do you buy your own clothes? Does your mother buy them for you? Where do you go to get the latest fashions? And the latest CDs? Are you a fashion victim?. Why/Why not? When did you last go shopping? What did you buy? How much pocket money do you get every week? Do you save money or do you spend it all? I spend it on...