

## **English Maturita Questions 2010-2011**

1. Capital Punishment (persuasive speech)

Present a persuasive speech on this topic.

2. Advantages (or if you prefer, disadvantages) of less homework (persuasive speech)

Present a persuasive speech on this topic.

3. Lowering or raising the drinking age (persuasive speech)

Present a persuasive speech on this topic.

4. The necessity of the electronic gadget of your choice (persuasive speech)

Present a persuasive speech on this topic.

5. Owning a pet (discursive speech)

Give a discursive speech (both pros and cons) on this topic.

6. Living in a big city (discursive speech)

Give a discursive speech (both pros and cons) on this topic.

7. Driving versus public transportation (discursive speech)

Give a discursive speech (both pros and cons) on this topic.

8. Cell phones (discursive speech)

Give a discursive speech (both pros and cons) on this topic.

9. A time you were terrified (recount)

Tell us about a time you were terrified.

10. A time you first met someone (recount)

Tell us about the time you first met someone important to you.

11. A memorable experience (recount)

Tell us about a memorable experience.

12. A time something funny happened (recount)

Tell us about a time something funny happened to you.

13. Sales representative-travel agency (advertising)

You are a sales representative for a travel agency and we are the customers. Try to persuade us to buy a package holiday in an unpopular destination.

14. Sales manager—sporting goods (advertising)

You are the sales manager for a sporting goods store. Make a sales pitch to us about one of your best-selling products.

15. Sales representative—personal products (advertising)

You are a sales representative for a personal products empire. Sell us your newest, greatest product (e.g. shampoo, hair-dryer etc.)

16. Salesperson—cars (advertising)

You are the salesperson for a famous car company. Convince us to buy your latest model.

17. Your town (informative/explanatory)

Tell us about your town. Where should we visit, why?

18. Book or film review (informative/explanatory)

Give an oral review of a film you've recently seen or a book you've recently read.

19. Recipe (informative/explanatory)

Explain your favorite recipe to us.

20. House-sitting (informative/explanatory)

You have to suddenly go away for two weeks and we are going to house-sit for you.

Explain to us what we have to do to look after your household for you.

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### Structure:

15 minutes preparation

15 minutes with the examiners

### The Examination:

Part A: The student will present a 5-minute response to the question asked.

Part B: The examiners will then ask questions related to the task and general topic area.  
(approx. 5 minutes)

Part C: The examiners will ask general questions not related to the task but designed to test fluency, such as:

What do you see yourself doing in ten years?

What is your ideal job, and why?

If you could give advice to younger students, what would it be?

### Objectives:

Students should be able to demonstrate key skills:

Appropriate pronunciation, intonation, sentence contour

Appropriate use of grammatical structures

Appropriate use of a rich and specific vocabulary

Production of fluent, relevant, and logically organized speech

Ability to fulfill the specific requirements of the tasks