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Speaking

Speaking Part Directions: Conversation

You will participate in a simulated conversation. Each time it is your turn to speak, you will have 20 seconds to record. You should respond as fully and as appropriately as possible.

There will be four times when it is your turn to speak.

You will now begin this part.

Select **Continue** to go on.

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Directions: You will participate in a simulated conversation. You will hear a series of 4 questions or statements; after each question or statement, you will hear a tone signifying that it is your turn to speak. You will have 20 seconds to record each response. You should respond as fully and as appropriately as possible. When you are ready to begin, select the Continue button.

You will have a conversation with Daisuke Yamamoto, director of an after-school program at a Japanese elementary school, about volunteering in the program.

Play 0:00 / 0:04
You may no longer play this audio.

RESPONSE TIME
00:00:02

Note: Students saw the exam screen above for each of the individual questions that together compose this task. Only the screen image for the first question is shown here, but during the exam, each of the screens indicated the number of the question the students were responding to.

The following text is the recording script for the audio portion of the task shown in the previous screen image. Students heard this audio during the exam administration, but this text does not appear in the exam and is provided here for reference only.

Speaking Question 1 of 5

MA: ああ、もしもし、お電話待っていました。こちらはひどい雨なんですが、そちらのお天気はどうですか。

[TONE]

(20 seconds)

Speaking Question 2 of 5

MA: 小学校でボランティアをしたいそうですが、それはどうしてですか。

[TONE]

(20 seconds)

Speaking Question 3 of 5

MA: なるほど。このプログラムには小学1年生から6年生までの子どもたちがいますが、何年生のグループがいいですか？

[TONE]

(20 seconds)

Speaking Question 4 of 5

MA: 分かりました。では、来週一度、見に来てもらいたいんですが、いつ来られますか。

[TONE]

(20 seconds)

Score of 0: UNACCEPTABLE-Contains nothing that earns credit

- Mere restatement of the prompt
- Clearly does not respond to the prompt
- “I don’t understand,” “Please repeat,” or equivalent in Japanese
- Not in Japanese

NR (No Response): BLANK (no response although recording equipment is functioning) or mere sighs
