

Item Specification Form (KS3 English)

Title: Animal Environments ***

Task Code: E9ES005

Module: Nature and Environment

Level: S3

Purpose: To assist learner’s performance/progress in the following aspects:

Strand Targets	Descriptions for Basic Competency	Language Skills	Forms and Functions	Generic Skills	Suggested Time	Suggested Answers	Possible Problems
<p>To converse and exchange points of view about feelings, interests, preferences ideas, experiences and plans (ISb)</p> <p>To produce or exchange a range of formal and informal messages both oral and written (ISc)</p> <p>To provide or find out, select, organize and present information on familiar and less familiar topics (KSa)</p>	<p>L6-S-1-S3BC Pronouncing familiar and less familiar words generally clearly and accurately (KS)</p> <p>L5-S-2-S3BC Using a range of delivery techniques (including stress, rhythm and intonation) to convey meaning generally appropriate with the help of cues (IS, KS, ES)</p> <p>L5-S-3-S3BC Expressing information and ideas (including personal experiences, feelings, opinions, imaginative ideas and evaluative remarks) with some elaboration (IS, KS, ES)</p> <p>L5-S-4-S3BC Using a range of vocabulary and language patterns with some degree of appropriacy and accuracy to convey meaning (IS, KS, ES)</p> <p>L6-S-5-S3BC Using formulaic expressions and a range of strategies for oral communications to establish and maintain relationships/interaction in familiar situations (IS, KS)</p>	Speaking	<p>Use adjectives, adverbs, formulaic phrases, etc., to make comparisons and give descriptions of processes and situations</p> <p>Use the simple present tense, gerunds, conditionals, etc. to make general statements about the world and “universal truths”</p> <p>Use a variety of tenses, passive voice, reported speech, adverbs etc., to refer to events in the past, present and future and to the frequency with which things occur</p> <p>Use adverb phrases and adverb clauses of reason, concession, result, etc., to justify one’s behaviour and point of view in simple situations</p> <p>Use modals and formulaic expressions to express obligation, prohibition, agreement and disagreement</p>	<p>Communication skills</p> <p>Collaboration skills</p> <p>Problem-solving skills</p>	3 minutes	See Speaking Marking Scheme	<p>Difficulty meeting the Descriptions for Basic Competency, in particular, vocabulary. Prior to administering the task, you may wish to add to and discuss the vocabulary list provided in the “Teacher notes” and/or give definitions in the students’ first language.</p> <p>Difficulty with Forms and Functions. In particular: giving descriptions, making comparisons, making general statements, referring to events, justifying a point of view, and expressing agreement and disagreement.</p> <p>Difficulty collaborating and problem solving</p> <p>Difficulty with the content. Prior to administering the task, you may wish to initiate a class discussion in the students’ first language that feeds in ideas related to the content.</p>