**2024 SUPERIOR ORAL EXAM GUIDELINES**

The oral exam will be a one-to-one interview between a candidate and an examining board or one examiner only. The exam will consist of two parts:

**The first part** will revolve around a discussion with or questions asked by the examiner related to *the topics in the course bibliography*.

Students are expected to be able to

 ● Answer personal questions

 ● Talk about

* Habits
* Sleep
* Music
* Films and plays
* Crime and punishment
* The media
* Advertising
* Cities
* Science

 ● Express

* Preferences
* Agreement or disagreement about a given statement.
* Logical deduction, regrets and criticism about a past action, impossibility in

 the past and speculation about past actions.

**The second part** will consist of a discussion with or questions posed by the examiner about ***Taste, Mrs. Bixby and the Colonel’s Coat, The Way up to Heaven or The Leg of Lamb***.

 **In all cases, we expect students to give extended and spontaneous answers**

 **to keep the conversation going; not simply *Yes or No - Yes, I do / No, I don’t,***

 ***etc.***