



S90/18

Junior Certificate Examination, 2019

Optional Oral Examinations in French, German, Italian and Spanish

To the Authorities of Post-Primary Schools.

1. There is provision for a school-based test of oral expression in French, German, Italian and Spanish for Junior Certificate. The test is optional.

The marks for the examination will be assigned as follows:-

	<u>HIGHER LEVEL</u>	<u>ORDINARY LEVEL</u>
	French/German Italian/Spanish	French/German Italian/Spanish
Listening Comprehension	140	140
Reading Comprehension	100	120
Written Expression	<u>80</u>	<u>60</u>
Total	320	320
Oral Expression Test (optional)	80	80

Candidates who take the Oral Expression Test will be graded out of 400, and those who do not take the Oral Expression Test will be graded out of 320.

2. The test may be held at any time between **7th January and 8th March, 2019**.
3. Teachers are free to choose a format other than those already suggested by the State Examinations Commission (SEC) and teachers in the same school may use a variety of formats if they wish. However, each pupil should be tested for between 5 and 10 minutes.
4. Where a teacher uses his/her own format, a copy of the format and its marking scheme should be forwarded to the SEC before the **3rd May 2019**. Copies of the formats already suggested by the SEC are available on our website www.examinations.ie under Schools/Oral Examinations/Junior Certificate Optional Orals.
5. Where a school opts to conduct an oral expression test, a list indicating the estimated order of oral proficiency of the candidates in the subject concerned should be submitted on the enclosed forms BR1 not later than **1st March, 2019. Please ensure that the correct examination number for each candidate is on this form.**
6. The actual marks awarded for the test should be submitted on the enclosed forms BR2 as soon as the tests have been completed and before **12th April 2019. Please ensure that the correct examination number for each candidate is on this form.** All marking sheets are to be retained in the school.
7. The oral tests of 6 candidates, or 10% whichever is greater should be recorded and the recordings retained in the school until requested by SEC.

Please also note:

- Candidates in a class may be entered irrespective of whether the entire class is taking the option.
- Examining of candidates is generally conducted on a class basis by the class teacher however there is some flexibility with this - a teacher other than the class teacher or a teacher from outside the school may be engaged to conduct the examination.
- There is no provision for payment in respect of examining.

Telephone enquiries relating to the subject matter of this circular may be made to; (090) 6442741, 6442742 and 6442745 and all details are on the SEC website www.examinations.ie under Schools/Oral Examinations.

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Scrúdú an Teastais Shóisearaigh, 2019

An Bhéaltriail Roghnach sa Fhraincis, sa Ghearmáinis, san Iodáilis agus sa Spáinnis

D'Údaráis na Scoileanna Iarbhuioideachais

1. Tá foráil ann do thriail chainte (Béaltriail) sa Fhraincis sa Ghearmáinis, san Iodáilis agus sa Spáinnis a dhéanfaí sa scoil. Tá an triail roghnach.

Roinnfear na marcanna sa scrúdú mar leanas:

	ARDLEIBHÉAL Fraincis/Gearmáinis Iodáilis/Spáinnis	GNÁTHLEIBHÉAL Fraincis/Gearmáinis Iodáilis/Spáinnis
Triail Chluastuisceana	140	140
Triail Léamhthuisceana	100	120
Scríobh na Teanga	80	60
	Iomlán	320
Béaltriail (Roghnach)	80	80

As 400 marc a dhéanfar na hiarrthóirí a ghrádú má dhéanann siad an Bhéaltriail, agus is as 320 marc a dhéanfar iad a ghrádú mura ndéanann siad an Bhéaltriail.

2. Is féidir an triail a réachtáil am ar bith idir **7 Eanáir agus 8 Márta, 2019**.
3. Tá cead ag na múinteoirí leagan amach a roghnú don triail nach ionann é agus an leagan amach atá molta ag Coimisiún na Scrúduithe Stáit (CSS). Tá cead ag múinteoirí éagsúla sa scoil chéanna leas a bhaint as leagan amach éagsúil, más mian leo. Níor mhór, áfach, go mairfeadh an triail idir 5 agus 10 nóiméad i gcás gach dalta.
4. Má bhaineann múinteoir leas as a leagan amach féin, ní mór cóip den leagan amach sin agus an scéim mharcála a ghabhann leis a sheoladh chuig CSS roimh **3 Bealtaine, 2019**. Tá cóipeanna de na leaganacha amach a mhol CSS cheana le fáil ar an suíomh gréasáin www.examinations.ie faoi Scoileanna/Oral Examinations/Béaltrialacha Roghnacha: An Teastas Sóisearach.
5. Má roghnaíonn scoil béaltriail a réachtáil, ní mór liosta ina bhfuil meastachán ar ord fiúntais na n-iarrthóirí i labhairt na teanga a sheoladh chuig CSS ar na foirmeacha BR1 atá leis seo roimh **1 Márta, 2019. Déan deimhin de, le bhur dtoil, go bhfuil scrúduimhir gach iarrthóra ar an bhfoirm seo.**
6. Ní mór na marcanna a bhronntar sa triail a sheoladh chuig CSS ar na foirmeacha BR2 a luaithe a dhéantar na trialacha, agus tráth nach déanaí ná **12 Aibreán, 2019. Déan deimhin de, le bhur dtoil, go bhfuil scrúduimhir gach iarrthóra ar an bhfoirm seo.** Is cóir na bileoga marcála uile a choimeád sa scoil.
7. Ní mór béaltriail seisear (6) iarrthóirí, nó 10% de na hiarrthóirí cibé acu is mó, a thairfeadh agus na tairfeadaí a choimeád sa scoil go dtí go n-iarrann CSS iad.

Tugtar faoi deara freisin:

- Is féidir le hiarrthóirí aonair i rang an Bhéaltriala a dhéanamh is cuma cé acu atá an rang iomlán á déanamh nó nach bhfuil;
- Is gnách go gcuirfidh múinteoir an triail ar a rang féin ach tá solúbthacht áirithe ag baint leis sin. D'fhéadfadh múinteoir seachas múinteoir an ranga nó múinteoir as taobh amuigh den scoil an triail a chur ar rang áirithe;
- Níl aon soláthar ann d'íocaíocht as an obair scrúdúcháin seo.

Is féidir fiosruithe faoi ábhar an chiorcláin seo a dhéanamh ar (090) 6442741, 6442742 nó 6442745. Tá an t-eolas uile ar fáil ar shuíomh gréasáin CSS, www.examinations.ie, faoi Scoileanna / Oral Examinations.