

# Státní maturita z anglického jazyka

## Ústní zkouška

### Část 4 – řešení problému

#### Modelové situace k maturitním okruhům

Vážení učitelé a studenti,

s novou státní maturitou, která poprvé proběhne ve školním roce 2010/2011 a která přináší i jisté změny v přípravě studentů, vyvstala potřeba sestavit nové výukové materiály, které by pomohly studentům a rovněž i učitelům vypořádat se s touto změnou. Proto jsme připravili toto výukové DVD, které Vám nabízí materiály k ústní části maturitní zkoušky.

**V TOMTO SOUBORU NALEZNETE 42 MODELOVÝCH PROBLÉMOVÝCH SITUACÍ KE KAŽDÉMU Z NÁSLEDUJÍCÍCH OFICIÁLNÍCH MATURITNÍCH OKRUHŮ \*:**

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### 1) Personal information

- 1) **You are taking part in an international forum on „*life priorities of the young*“. You and your partner should discuss the following areas and decide which of them is the most important to you. If possible, try to find a compromise and be ready to defend your opinion.**
  - a) career
  - b) health
  - c) family
  - d) money
  - e) friends
  - f) ???
  
- 2) **Imagine you are a magician with only one magic left for the day. Discuss with your friend how you should use the last of your magic. Will you ...**
  - a) get yourself and your friend luxury cars and houses?
  - b) make yourself and your friend attractive for the opposite sex?
  - c) build new hospitals and other facilities for people in need?
  - d) make your parents rich so that they don't have to work anymore?
  - e) turn all teachers into small white mice?
  - f) ???
  
- 3) **You and your friend have an opportunity to change one thing about your appearance or character. Discuss and decide what you will choose to change. Do you want to be more ...**
  - a) beautiful / handsome / attractive
  - b) hard-working
  - c) creative
  - d) intelligent
  - e) sociable
  - f) ???
  
- 4) **You and your friend have won a competition called „*Spend one day with a famous person*“. Now you have to choose the person you will spend the day with. You have to find a compromise!**
  - a) a singer / actor
  - b) a model
  - c) a famous sportsman (football, ice hockey, baseball, basketball, boxing ...)
  - d) a scientist or doctor
  - e) a politician (MP, MEP, prime minister, president, mayor of your city)
  - f) ???

## 2) Family

**1) Your parents are celebrating their twentieth wedding anniversary. Discuss with your brother / sister what present you will buy them.**

- a) a huge box of chocolates
- b) take a nice picture of them and have it framed
- c) a weekend stay for two in a beautiful spa
- d) I never really give presents to my parents for wedding anniversaries, so I will not buy them anything this time either
- e) ???

**2) You and your friend have been asked to prepare a profile of a perfect parent. The last thing left to do is to choose the best characteristics which you will put at the end of your work. Which of the following statements will you choose and why?**

- a) a perfect parent must have enough money to provide their kids with all necessary things for school, free time, etc.
- b) a perfect parent is strict and in control of everything their children plan to do.
- c) a perfect parent always has time for their kids, can listen to them and give advice if necessary.
- d) a perfect parent doesn't interfere with their children's lives and lets them do anything they want, no matter what the consequences might be
- e) ???

**3) Your parents would like you to spend one week of your summer holiday with them and your little (10-year-old) brother. Discuss with your mum / dad where you could go that the whole family will enjoy.**

- a) a week at a camp site by the river
- b) a five-day sightseeing tour around southern France
- c) a week at a holiday resort in Egypt
- d) a three-day stay in London
- e) a trip to an amusement park in Germany + a visit to a Legoland on the way home
- f) ???

### 3) Interpersonal relationships / Friendship

- 1) **You and your partner have a socially excluded friend (a 30-year-old IT person who still lives with his parents). What should he do to change things? Discuss the problem with your partner and choose two best solutions to your friend's problem. He should ...**
- a) begin a new sport
  - b) go to pubs more often
  - c) go to cultural events more often (concerts, exhibitions, etc.)
  - d) search the Internet for more friends or a girlfriend
  - e) change his job
  - f) move away from his parents
  - g) ???
- 2) **You and your partner have found out that your friend David is cheating on his girlfriend Jane who is also your good friend. She doesn't know about his unfaithfulness and seems to be very happy. David seems to love her too but is having an affair with another woman. Discuss with your partner what you should do about it. Will you ...**
- a) keep the secret to yourself and not tell anyone?
  - b) threaten to tell Jane everything if he doesn't stop the other relationship?
  - c) tell Jane everything before she finds out herself?
  - d) stop seeing David and Jane, because it is embarrassing for you?
  - e) ???
- 3) **It's been ages since your friend James had a serious relationship with a girl. You and your partner have decided to give him some advice. Discuss the following options and choose the two of them which you consider the best.**
- a) attend events such as discos, concerts etc. to find somebody
  - b) get a dog and walk it in a park
  - c) search for a partner on the Internet
  - d) put an advertisement in papers (e.g. I'm looking for a ...)
  - e) if you see somebody attractive on a tram, bus, etc., ask them out
  - f) call your previous boy-/girlfriends and ask them out ...
  - g) ???

#### **4) Place where I live / Home**

- 1) You and your partner took part in an international competition and won a house or flat wherever you wish to live. Discuss where you would like the organizers to buy a home for you. Discuss all advantages and disadvantages of the following options!**
  - a) in the centre of Prague or another larger city
  - b) on the outskirts of a large city
  - c) in a small town or village near a bigger city
  - d) somewhere far away from big cities
  - e) ???
  
- 2) Imagine you and your partner are members of the municipal council in your town. There is an old unused factory right in the town centre and you have to decide what you will use the huge space for. Discuss the following options and choose what you think is the best solution.**
  - a) a huge three-storey shopping centre
  - b) a casino which would attract gamblers from all over the country
  - c) a sports facility with a football pitch, swimming pool, several gyms, etc.
  - d) an industrial zone for smaller companies
  - e) a park
  - f) ???

## 5) Everyday life

**1) Your parents want to give you a nice present for your 18<sup>th</sup> birthday. They have suggested the following options. Discuss with your friend which one you should choose.**

- a) a driving course to get a driving licence
- b) an intensive holiday language course abroad
- c) a new mobile phone
- d) a TV set for you bedroom
- e) ten thousand crowns to buy some stylish clothes (you choose the clothes, of course)

**2) Discuss with your partner which of the following appliances or services you consider the least important and can imagine not using it for a month. Be ready to defend your decision.**

- a) a washing machine
- b) a dishwasher
- c) the Internet
- d) TV
- e) a mobile phone
- f) a Hoover

**3) Your class has received 50 000 Kč (best-class award), which must be spent within a month. Discuss with your classmate or teacher what you will spend the sum on.**

- a) electronics (PC, monitor, projector, speakers, etc.)
- b) a big Friday-night party
- c) a 10-day trip to ... (come up with some suggestions)
- d) donate the sum to a charity (children / animals in need , etc.)
- e) save the sum up for our maturita ball
- f) ???

**6) Free time / Hobbies / Entertainment**

- 1) **You have a week of free time on your hands, because your school is closed. You want to spend the time with one of your classmates. Discuss and decide what you will do. Let's assume it is May.**
- a) stay at home
  - b) go backpacking in the mountains
  - c) do an intensive language course
  - d) do a voluntary job (e.g. helping children or animals in need)
  - e) get a part-time job
  - f) ???
- 2) **Because of an emergency at your school, all of your afternoon classes have been cancelled and you and your friend have to decide what to do. Discuss the following options and decide what you will do.**
- a) go to the cinema and to a cafe
  - b) go shopping
  - c) go for a walk
  - d) go home, do homework and study for the next day
  - e) do some housework to impress your parents
  - f) surf the Net, chat on Facebook, etc.
  - g) ???
- 3) **You have been given free tickets to the cinema. Discuss with your friend which of the following movies you will choose to see.**
- a) „*Love you forever*“, a romantic, street-dance comedy for teenagers, 100 minutes
  - b) „*Hitman*“, an action movie with many martial-art scenes and special effects, 90 min.
  - c) „*Freddie, the dolphin*“, an animated movie, 150 min.
  - d) „*Romeo and Juliet*“, a film adaptation of a Shakespeare's classic, 185 min.
  - e) „*Desert wind*“, a documentary about life in the Sahara desert, 70 min.
  - f) „*On the run*“, a thriller about a man who saw too much ... , 110 min.

## 7) Health / Keeping fit

**1) The government is a bit unhappy about the number of people who smoke. They have asked a few experts (you and your partner are among them) to suggest some measures which should be taken to reduce the number of smokers. Discuss the following ideas and choose the best two.**

- a) smoking should be strictly banned in public places, including restaurants
- b) smokers should pay higher health insurance and an extra „air-pollution“ tax
- c) cigarettes and other tobacco products should be much more expensive
- d) any advertisements for tobacco products should be banned
- e) parents whose children smoke should be fined
- f) the government should start a massive anti-smoking campaign in schools and media
- g) ???

**2) Your friend Bobby had a serious accident and couldn't move for a long time. As a result, he put on a significant amount of weight and now he wants to do something about it. Discuss the issue and try to suggest the best solution.**

- a) he should go on a strict „fruit-and-liquids“ diet
- b) he should go jogging everyday
- c) he should take some pills to lose weight faster
- d) he should go to gym regularly
- e) ???

**3) Since you are studying to pass the Maturita exams, you and your partner often find yourselves under a lot of stress. Discuss the ways of relieving stress and choose the best one.**

- a) reduce the time you sleep in order to have more time to study
- b) drink energy drinks to stay awake longer
- c) eat a lot of chocolate
- d) do a sport
- e) listen to some good music
- f) play computer games
- g) do yoga
- h) ???



## 8) Transport / Travelling

**1) Since your school is now under reconstruction, you will have to spend next week off the school premises. Discuss the following options with your class teacher.**

- a) a week in a river camp with morning languages classes and afternoon sport activities; it costs 1500 CZE per student
- b) a week by the sea with a language course and a diving course; 9900 CZE per student
- c) a week of exploring the Czech Republic ... hiking over interesting sites, physically demanding; 4000 CZE per student
- d) adventure (survival) camp called „*Thrill and tears*“ ... no comfort, sleeping in tents, mentally as well as physically demanding!; 5000 CZE per student
- e) ???

**2) You are going to spend at least six winter months in a remote place in the north of Siberia. Since it is very difficult to get there, you are not allowed to take heavy luggage. Discuss with your partner which of the following items you will leave at home.**

- a) your satellite phone
- b) your hair drier
- c) your camera
- d) an extra winter coat
- e) a knife
- f) a first-aid kit

**3) A friend of yours is coming to Prague in June to spend just one evening. He would like to explore Prague a bit and asked you to recommend some places to visit. Discuss with your partner which places or activities you would suggest. Here is some information about him: male, 18 years old, a fan of FC Liverpool, likes football, partying, hip-hop, singing...**

- a) a sightseeing tour around Prague
- b) a visit to the zoo with a night tour
- c) an evening in a typical Czech pub
- d) an evening in a karaoke bar
- e) a hip-hop battle in a well-known club
- f) a football match between Sparta Praha and Baník Ostrava

## 9) Eating / Drinking

- 1) **You have just had lunch in a restaurant and the service was just awful: you had to wait too long, the meal was not cooked properly, the waiter was impolite and on top of that, he had dirty hands. When you wanted to pay, he tried to overcharge you. Discuss with your partner what you would do if this happened to you. Would you ...**
  - a) pay and leave without saying a word?
  - b) pay only half of the price?
  - c) leave without paying?
  - d) complain about the service to the restaurant manager?
  - e) ???
  
- 2) **You are on holiday in a foreign country and right now you are very hungry after a long sightseeing tour. Discuss with your partner where you will go for lunch.**
  - a) you go to a restaurant where local people go for lunch
  - b) you go to a fast-food restaurant
  - c) you buy a hot dog on the street
  - d) you produce a typical Czech schnitzel out of your pocket which you brought from home
  - e) ???

**10) Shopping / Fashion / Clothes**

**1) Your friend Jim is going to celebrate his twentieth birthday, and you want to buy him a present. Discuss with your partner what you should buy him.**

- a) a CD or book
- b) a bicycle
- c) some (trendy) clothes
- d) perfume
- e) a ticket to his favourite band concert
- f) a board game
- g) ???

**2) The Maturita is coming and you will be leaving school and saying good-bye to your classteacher, who has always been very kind and helpful to you. You want to buy her / him a present. Discuss with your classmate what it should be!**

- a) a little puppy
- b) some jewellery (necklace, earrings ...)
- c) a bottle of expensive wine
- d) a big chocolate statue with a surprise in it
- e) a parachute jump
- f) a weekend in a spa
- g) a survival course / camp
- h) ???

**3) You and your friend have won 10 000 000 CZE. Discuss what you will spend the money on.**

- a) two beautiful houses, one for each of you
- b) starting a new business
- c) donate all or part of the sum to a charity
- d) put the money in a bank for a rainy day
- e) spending one year travelling around the world
- f) ???

**4) You have seen some great clothes (computer / bike / etc.) but unfortunately you don't have enough money to buy them. Discuss with your partner what you should do.**

- a) get a part-time job
- b) ask the shop assistant for a discount
- c) wait for the sales and buy it later
- d) ask your parents for some money
- e) start betting on sport or gambling
- f) rob a bank ☺
- g) ???

## 11) Education / School

- 1) **Your school is involved in many international programmes sending students to various countries. You and your friend have to choose which programme you will take part in.**
- a) two weeks in Oxford, England, with morning language classes and afternoon trips around England. It costs 8 000 CZE.
  - b) a one-week stay in Norway with young people from all over Europe. Participants will discuss environmental issues and collect litter on a local beach. It costs 5000 CZE.
  - c) a three-day trip to Brussels, sightseeing and meeting Czech MEPs (members to the European Parliament). It costs 3000 CZE.
  - d) three afternoons at the American Embassy, meeting the American Ambassador, learning about its function. Free of charge.
  - e) You will not take part in any of the options.
- 2) **You and your friend need to learn a foreign language quickly (in a few weeks) to get a good job. Decide what to do to achieve your goal!**
- a) buy a good textbook, lock yourself at home, study hard on your own
  - b) watch English movies
  - c) spend the time on Facebook and communicate with foreigners via the Internet
  - d) enroll for an intensive three-week language course
  - e) secretly follow groups of foreign tourists and listen to their conversations
  - f) hang around pubs visited by speakers of the language and speak to them
  - g) spend a few weeks travelling abroad
  - h) get a temporary part-time job abroad (au-pair, builder ...)
  - i) ???
- 3) **Your class has recently got a new teacher of English and although you all have been studying very hard, you have serious problems with his subject. You have also received some bad marks and the situation has become very unpleasant... Discuss with your classmate what you will do about the situation?**
- a) boycott the classes
  - b) complain about the classes to the school principal
  - c) ask the teacher for extra classes
  - d) enroll for a language course at a private language school
  - e) ask your parents to intervene
  - f) ???

## 12) Work / Career

**1) You and your partner have just left secondary school and it is time to decide what to do next. You are very good friends and want to do things together. Discuss and decide what you are going to do.**

- a) go to university
- b) get a job in a big international company specialised in .??.?.
- c) start your own business in .??.?.
- d) go abroad and get a job there
- e) take a year off and go travelling
- f) ???

**2) Discuss with your partner what you think is the most important aspect of a job? Try to make a table based on your preferences.**

The most important thing about my future job is that ...

- a) it is fulfilling.
- b) it is well-paid.
- c) it is prestigious.
- d) I get on well with my workmates.
- e) I get on well with my boss.
- f) I have an extra week of holiday.
- g) ???

**3) You have fallen in love with your boss ... . Discuss the problem with your friend and decide what to do! Will you ...**

- a) write him / her an unsigned letter in which you reveal that someone loves them? Then you watch what happens next.
- b) stay at work longer on Tuesdays when he / she usually stays longer too and try to seduce them?
- c) work harder to impress your boss?
- d) tell your boss the truth and ask him / her out?
- e) hide your feelings and never tell anyone about it?
- f) leave the job?
- g) ???

### 13) Services / Media

1) **Discuss with your partner which of the following shops and services should be introduced in the place where you live or study.**

- a) a cinema
- b) a non-smoking restaurant
- c) a beauty salon with a nail studio, solarium, etc.
- d) a tattoo parlour (=salon)
- e) street dance or zumba classes
- f) a gym
- g) ???

2) **Your school is organizing some free-time activities and wants all students to be involved. Which of the following courses will you and your friend choose to attend?**

- a) *„Ballet is not dead“*
- b) *„Street dance – impress your gang“*
- c) *„Self-defence – don't be scared anymore“*
- d) *„Maths and physics are sexy“*
- e) *„Make your own websites“*
- f) *„Music from A to Z“*
- g) *„History of my town“*
- h) *„???“*

#### 14) Society around you

1) Your school has been given some money to launch a social campaign. Discuss with your partner what kind of campaign would be the most useful or needed in your school.

- a) „*Smoking is not cool!*“, an anti-smoking campaign
- b) „*Safe sex*“, a campaign for safe sex
- c) „*Wanna die, mate?*“, a campaign against drink-driving
- d) „*Crack will crack you!*“, an anti-drug campaign
- e) „*Be a number-one guy!*“, a campaign to encourage students to study harder
- f) „*Colourful world*“, a campaign against racism and xenophobia

2) Your school is organizing a survey called „*The technology that made the world better*“ to find out what technology the students consider the most useful. Discuss with your partner what you think the winner should be.

- a) the Internet
- b) mobile phones
- c) medical technology (computer tomography, pacemakers, ...)
- d) computers
- e) cars
- f) ???

**15) Geography / Nature**

**1) Your school has decided to organize a campaign to raise the awareness of environmental problems amongst its students, and you and your friend have decided to take part in the campaign. Your task is to discuss which of the following issues you consider the most harmful to the environment.**

- a) the overuse of cars
- b) the lack of recycling
- c) burning plastic
- d) plastic wrapping
- e) deforestation
- f) smoking
- g) too much tourism
- h) ???

**2) Since there are serious traffic jams in your town everyday, you and your partner have decided to launch a media campaign to deal with the problem. Discuss the following ideas and choose two main slogans for your campaign. You can produce some more on your own!**

- a) *Get out of your car, mate! Move your ass!*
- b) *Don't drive, walk! It's cool!*
- c) *Meet your true love in public transport!*
- d) *Read the papers while travelling to work!*
- e) *Your car will love you ..., when you don't drive it into another jam.*
- f) *Save your nerves! You deserve it!*
- g) ???