

The following is a general list of topics that learners are expected to be familiar with in order to answer the corresponding question from the exam. Students should be able to use correctly the vocabulary and modes of expression that are relevant to these topics. Please note that this is not an exhaustive list and that topics that have come to the public's attention in recent times may also be used—e.g., gender identity, cryptocurrency, sporting events, international conflicts, etc.

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Family and social relations

- ❖ Family and friends
- ❖ Couples
- ❖ Marriage and divorce
- ❖ Domestic violence
- ❖ Mobbing and bullying
- ❖ Immigration and racism

Healthy lifestyles and fitness

- ❖ Sports
- ❖ Diet
- ❖ Drugs and addictions
- ❖ Mindfulness
- ❖ Homeopathy and alternative therapies
- ❖ The social component of disease (e.g., COVID-19)

Technology

- ❖ Mobile phones
- ❖ Computers
- ❖ The Internet and social networks
- ❖ On-line shopping
- ❖ People on the net: celebrities, influencers, youtubers...
- ❖ Artificial Intelligence
- ❖ Space travel and exploration

Education

- ❖ School subjects
- ❖ Discipline
- ❖ Educational centres and systems
- ❖ Uniforms

Work

- ❖ Third-level education and jobs
- ❖ Career choices

- ❖ Social esteem of different types of jobs
- ❖ Unemployment
- ❖ Low-paid jobs
- ❖ Discrimination in the work market
- ❖ Reconciling family and professional life

Rest and recreation

- ❖ Hobbies and pastimes
- ❖ Television, cinema, and performing arts
- ❖ Music
- ❖ Travelling
- ❖ Videogames
- ❖ Social media

The natural environment

- ❖ Wildlife preservation
- ❖ Recycling and sustainability
- ❖ Biodiversity
- ❖ Climate change

History, society and culture in the English-speaking world

- ❖ History of the British Isles
- ❖ History of the United States
- ❖ History of other English-speaking countries
- ❖ Newspapers
- ❖ The English language around the world