

ORAL EXAM TOPICS

1. Personal characteristics

- describing appearance
- describing character and personality
- the ideal man and woman
- fashion, trends
- beauty care, cosmetics

2. Friends and relationships

- friendship
- fellow students and colleagues
- partners

3. Family

- family models (only child, large family, single-parent families)
- division of tasks within the family
- generations living together

4. Man and society

- social benefits (pension, health insurance, unemployment benefit)
- social movements (NGOs, trade unions, clubs, associations)
- public safety, crime and criminal investigation
- unemployment

5. Place of living

- candidate's flat/house
- furnishings, pieces of furniture
- household chores and appliances
- flat-related costs, maintenance
- the ideal home

6. Housing

- living in the city or in the country
- living conditions (own property, rented accommodation, lodgings, hostel)
- flat or house
- neighbourhood

7. Holidays and celebrations

- family celebrations (birthdays, name days, anniversaries)
- Christmas, Easter
- public holidays
- customs and traditions

8. Reading; television, video, cinema

- reading (books, newspapers, libraries, Internet)
- TV, cinema, video
- reading vs TV
- TV vs cinema

9. Culture

- music (listening to music, concerts, opera, playing an instrument)
- theatre
- museums, exhibitions

10. Free time activities

- going out
- parties, balls, festivals
- hobbies
- other ways of recreation

11. Learning, education, the school system

- school system, school types in Hungary
- school system, school types in English-speaking countries
- candidate's school experiences
- tertiary education
- learning outside school: courses, etc
- student exchange programmes, student mobility

12. Learning foreign languages

- the role and importance of foreign languages
- language learning opportunities
- language learning experiences

13. Work and the individual

- working hours (part-time, casual work, shift work, several jobs)
- fashionable jobs / dream jobs
- ways of finding a job
- working abroad (advantages, disadvantages)
- career and/or family

14. Work and society

- job prestige
- unemployment, benefits
- telework
- graduates entering the labour market

15. Sports

- sports facilities
- candidate's sporting activities, favourite sports
- mass sports
- sports events, professionals
- extreme sports

16. Health

- characteristics of a healthy lifestyle
- healthy and unhealthy diet/dishes
- healthcare

17. Illnesses

- common illnesses
- addiction (alcohol, drugs, smoking)
- stress, psychic diseases

18. Services

- catering facilities
- banks
- repair and maintenance
- emergency services (ambulance, police, Automobile Association)

19. Shopping

- everyday shopping
- buying consumer durables
- shopping habits
- sales, discounts
- the role of advertisements
- consumer society

20. Transport

- everyday transport
- public transport in the city
- intercity transport
- individual transport (cars, motorbikes, bicycles)
- public transport problems
- individual transport problems

21. Travelling in Hungary and abroad

- preparations
- favourite destinations
- types of trips (holiday, official, business, study, conferences)
- package tour (advantages, disadvantages)

22. Weather, seasons, environment protection

- environmental problems
- environment protection
- home environment protection (selective waste collection, energy saving at home)
- weather, seasons

23. Telecommunications

- telephones
- computers
- e-mail
- Internet

24. Hungary

- major tourist attractions
- main places of interest
- tourism
- Hungary as a destination

25. English-speaking countries

- general information, personal experiences