

## ISE I

### Sample Independent listening task 1 – Giraffes

#### Examiner rubric

You're going to hear a talk about giraffes. You will hear the talk twice. As you listen, write down some notes about what you hear, if you want to. Then, I will ask you six questions on some facts about giraffes. Are you ready?

*The task will play twice.*

Now I will ask you some questions. You only need to answer in a few words.

#### Audio script

Giraffes are often five-and-a-half metres tall and not surprisingly, are the tallest animals on the planet. Their height is useful for eating from trees, but drinking is difficult for giraffes. Fortunately, giraffes do not need to drink everyday as they get most of the water they need from the plants they eat. They eat most of the time and often sleep about two hours a day. They can run up to 55 kilometres an hour and are so powerful that they can kill a lion by kicking it. Female giraffes have babies standing up and so the babies fall one-and-a-half metres to the ground. They are not hurt by the fall and after only 30 minutes the baby giraffes can stand by themselves. Amazingly, after 10 hours, the baby giraffes can run around with their mothers. Giraffes live up to 25 years in the wild. You can tell the age of a giraffe from its spots. As a giraffe gets older, its spots get darker. They really are beautiful animals.

#### Questions and answers

*If the candidate asks, the examiner may repeat the questions once.*

	Question	Answer
1	Where do giraffes get water from?	From plants/the plants they eat
2	How fast can giraffes run?	(Up to) 55 kilometres an hour
3	After how long can a baby giraffe stand up?	30 minutes
4	What happens to baby giraffes after 10 hours?	They can run around (with their mothers)
5	How long do giraffes live for?	(Up to) 25 years
6	How do you know the age of a giraffe?	(By/from) its spots