

## INTEGRATED SKILLS EXAM – ISE II

### Examples of various functions:

#### Expressing feelings and emotions:

It makes me feel sad that...  
 I feel that something needs to **be done about** pollution.  
 I believe that something needs to be done about ....  
 I can't help feeling something needs to be done about ...  
 I have mixed feelings about this....

#### With the passive:

It is felt that recycling needs to be made easier...  
 It was felt that.....

It is believed that.....

#### Giving advice and highlighting advantages and disadvantages:

On the one hand, it might be better to talk to him about the problem. On the other, you could discuss it with his father....  
 One of the advantages of .....One of the disadvantages of.....  
 The problem with .....  
 The good thing about...  
 The bad thing about...  
 What I don't like about this is that...

#### Expressing possibility and uncertainty:

I don't know what the weather will be like this weekend. It might rain or it could be nice.  
 - What is Alessandro doing? – I don't know. He might be talking on the phone, or he may be doing his homework.

#### Expressing impossibility:

That can't be true!  
 It can't possibly be....  
 There is no way I would...  
 He can't have done that!  
 He must have had a problem at the train station.

#### Speculating:

I'm not sure....It might be because of the long distance.  
 One possibility is that it could be due to the lack of money.  
 One reason may be that....

#### Expressing ideas:

I think that...  
 It's my opinion that...  
 From my point of view....  
 As far as I am concerned...  
 To my way of thinking....  
 I can't help thinking that...

#### Persuading/Discouraging:

You should....  
 You'd better...  
 You ought to...  
 What should be done is....  
 If I were you I would....  
 It might not be a bad idea to....  
 Have you ever considered ...+ing?  
 Here's a thought, why don't you....?  
 I strongly recommend + ing.....  
 I suggest that you try another way...

#### Expressing agreement/disagreement:

I'm not sure I agree with you.  
 I'm sorry, but I don't agree.  
 I completely agree.  
 I couldn't agree more.

#### Eliciting further information and expansion of ideas and opinions:

Why do you suppose that is?  
 How did that make you feel?  
 Really? I didn't know that!  
 How is that possible?

#### Report the conversation of others:

He warned the child to stay away from the fire.  
 He advised that I study harder.  
 He asked me to write a report.  
 They told us to work harder.  
 She convinced him to marry her.  
 Many people seem to believe that...  
 My family think that...  
 I've heard that you shouldn't....

#### Describing past habits:

I used to exercise a lot more when I was younger...  
 I didn't use to.....