

Now you will be asked to participate in a simulated conversation in Italian. The questions you will hear are not printed in your booklet. Each question will be spoken twice, and then you will hear a tone. After the sound of the tone, you will have twenty seconds to respond in Italian. Always wait until you have heard the tone before you speak. A second tone will sound after twenty seconds have elapsed; if you are still responding when you hear the second tone, stop speaking and listen. Do not be concerned if your response is cut off.

Your score will be based on your ability to answer each question fully and appropriately and to express yourself fluently and correctly. Credit will be deducted if the answer is too short. You should therefore use all of the time allotted.

Now you will have a conversation with an Italian businesswoman about education and careers.

First, you will hear a practice question typical of the questions you will be asked. Try to answer it. Your answer to this practice question will not be recorded or scored.