



CANBERRA ACADEMY OF LANGUAGES

## Description: Assessment Task 1

Advice for the responding (listening/reading) test

CAL Tamil program, 2020-S1

11 March 2020 (Week 6)

## English version

### Criteria

*Achievement standards targeted for the BSSS Modern Languages courses from 2020 come under the following two fields: understanding and communicating.*

*For the responding task, it's the first of these domains that is our focus. This first test of the semester focuses only on comprehension as a criterion. It is about demonstrating your understanding of what you hear; and providing your commentary coherently. Marking will not be based on grammar or spelling, provided the expression is understandable for a Tamil speaker. However, you will receive some advice about your written expression that may be useful to you for the writing tests.*

### The structure of the test

*For the audio/video clips in the test, there will be a selection of subjects taken from those listed below. You will need to respond to questions about three audio/video documents. For each question, there will be two options. The aim will be to demonstrate your understanding of these and to comment on them. No notes will be allowed. However, if there are expressions outside of those you might reasonably be expected to know, these will be explained in the test paper.*

### Preparation

*You should review the resources used during the lessons over the first five weeks of the semester. For each week, in the weekly modules, you have a summary of the information and activities that form part of the program. There are also copies online ([www.languages.org.au/tamil/cal-tamil-2020-S1.htm](http://www.languages.org.au/tamil/cal-tamil-2020-S1.htm)) and the CAL Tamil 2020 portal on Google Classroom. Let me know if you are unable to find a document that you are looking for.*

### Theme

*The theme for the program for Semester 1 is **The Individual**. You will reply to questions about documents that treat the subjects coming from the program for the first weeks of the semester*

- People and identity
- Relations between/among people
- At home and nearby; and the sense of belonging to place.