

Mündliche Reifeprüfung

ENGLISCH

Pflichtfach
AHS – alle Zweige



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Themenpools

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Empfohlene Schulbücher

- Prime Time
- English in Context
- Destination B1/B2
- Make your Way

Erwartungshorizont

1. Relationships

- **Friendship**
- defining friendship
- number of friends
- qualities of a true friend
- kinds of friendship
- childhood friendship
- adult friendship
- work husband/work wife
- circle of friends
- friend or acquaintance
- successful TV shows around friendship
- **Relationship**
- how to make a relationship work
- what being in a relationship means
- online dating
- first love
- true love
- teenage pregnancy
- being single
- depiction of romantic love in films
- **Family**
- definition of family
- forms of family
- changing family structures
- having children
- parenting styles
- tiger moms
- functions of family
- same sex families
- working parents
- stay-at-home parents
- maternity and paternity leave
- divorce

2. Living Spaces

- types of housing
- moving out of your family home
- city vs country life
- house vs home
- home decor
- renting vs buying
- dream house
- green houses
- tiny houses and microapartments
- smart homes
- suburbanites
- megacities
- historic cities
- modern cities
- urban planning
- cities of the future
- urbanization
- slums and slum tours
- outdoor spaces
- moving and relocating
- mobile living
- living in remote areas
- back to nature

3. Life and Style

- fashion trends
- fashion and the media
- fashion industry
- modelling
- super models
- fashion icons and idols
- male fashion
- celebrities
- privacy and paparazzi
- tattoos and body modification
- body building
- peer pressure
- social trends
- life cycle of trends
- trend setters
- subcultures
- youth cultures
- food trends and food stylists
- bloggers and vloggers
- back to basics
- hygge and lagom
- trends, hypes and things going viral

4. Nutrition and Health

- food pyramids
- myplate
- fast food
- restaurants and eating out
- healthy living
- brain health
- school lunches
- plant based nutrition
- food industry
- food additives
- eating disorders
- face of hunger
- fighting hunger
- alternative food sources
- factory farming
- effects of food production on the environment
- social security
- welfare state
- smoking
- alcohol and binge drinking
- drugs and addictions
- banning /legalizing drugs
- stress
- sports and exercise
- extreme sports

5. Education

- knowledge vs skills
- language acquisition
- teaching methods
- flipped classroom
- teacher centered learning
- student centered learning
- fixed mindset vs growth mindset
- learning techniques
- homeschooling
- unschooling
- coeducation
- public and private schools
- comprehensive school
- school uniforms
- standardized testing
- schools now and then
- British, US American and Austrian school system
- modern technology at school
- the ideal school
- student exchange
- language trips
- lifelong learning
- motivation
- gap year
- student loans
- university fees
- applying for university

6. World of Work

- workplace
- different working places
- working conditions
- working environments
- payment
- qualifications, competences and skills
- work experience
- internships
- blue / white collar
- assembly line work
- chances
- work-life-balance
- personal skills (strengths and weaknesses)
- job application/cv
- job interview
- job descriptions
- equal rights/opportunities of men and women
- (un)employment
- outsourcing
- brain drain
- working teenagers
- jobs of the future

7. Consumer Society

- fund raising
- shopping for happiness?
- online shopping
- purchase decision
- marketing and marketing strategies
- marketing to children
- supermarket secrets / supermarket tricks
- bargains
- alternative shopping
- shopaholics
- spending/saving money
- earning money
- (fixed) expenses
- holiday /weekend jobs

8. Transport and Tourism

- different means of transport
- rush hour, traffic jam
- different types of tourism
- new trends
- positive negative aspects
- problems and solutions
- volunteer work
- gap year
- eco-tourism
- mass tourism
- sustainable tourism
- planning a trip
- food miles
- carbon / water footprint

9. Arts

- forms of art (classical vs. modern)
- functions of art
- attitudes expressed in art
- opinions and approaches to art
- own experiences with art
- Art in Austria/Vienna
- places to experience art in Austria/Vienna
- role of education for understanding art
- attractive expressions of art for young people
- youth culture nowadays
- Graffiti
- Guerilla art
- Abstract art
- music
- literature
- Shakespeare

10. Media and Communication

- types of media (traditional vs. modern, social)
- role of media today
- media use today
- young people and the news
- watching TV - consumption and opinions of young people
- sitcoms – examples, attitudes, influence (on young people)
- reality shows and docu-soaps (e.g. The Trueman Show) – examples, attitudes, influence (on [young] people)
- film – genres, forms of consumption, influence today
- film industry
- fiction vs. reality in films, shows
- surveillance and the media – identity and privacy
- celebrities
- paparazzi
- the future of the book
- e-books vs paper books
- newspapers (tabloids and broadsheets)
- language (English as a global language)
- means of communication in the past and present
- influence of modern technology on communication
- advantages and disadvantages of smartphone communication
- how to hold an oral presentation
- presentation techniques and skills

11. Environment

- climate change – facts, reasons and how to prevent it
- natural disasters
- the weather
- industry
- deforestation, ozone depletion, greenhouse gases,...
- global aspects of climate change
- forms of pollution and how to stop it
- an environmental friendly school
- energy production and the environment
- nature and sustainable development
- aspects of modern waste management
- protection of nature and the growth of modern cities
- role of the individual in fighting pollution and climate change
- environmental footprint
- (non) renewable energy (fossil fuels, solar energy, nuclear power plants, etc.)
- greenhouse effect
- sustainability
- biodiversity
- eco-friendly-lifestyle

12. Science and Technology

- modern technologies and their role for young people
- education and modern technologies
- influence of modern technologies on child development
- computer gaming – chances and risks
- traditional and modern forms of games
- influence of internet technology on modern life
- genetic engineering
- medicine
- genetic modification of food
- cloning

13. Growing Up

- how I see myself
- personal identity
- role models/ celebrities
- aspects of good upbringing
- individual choices
- personal interests and hobbies
- self-consciousness
- future perspectives for teenagers
- expectations
- personal freedom
- lifestyles
- personal aims
- future prospects / threats / fears / hopes
- education
- school and personal development
- lifelong learning
- gap year
- applying for university
- studying abroad
- jobs and professions for young people
- summer jobs
- working as a teenager
- money and job satisfaction
- volunteering
- jobs and family life
- future career
- global problems
- politics
- future trends (megacities, communication, environment, multicultural society etc.)
- importance and future of traditions
- chances in the future in different areas
- gender
- travelling
- social skills(problems with friends/parents)
- first love
- friends family
- relationships
- teenage pregnancy
- how to cope with problems
- teenage experiences
- film/novel(problems of growing up)

14. Globalisation

- colonialism / British Empire
- History of globalisation
- Americanisation
- global village
- pros/cons of globalization
- effects on society
- young people's attitudes
- world trade and international markets
- international outsourcing
- foreign products
- clothes
- Modern communication technologies
- communication now and then
- the world wide web
- social networks
- entertainment electronics
- inventions (telephone)
- foreign TV channels
- books/films
- international travel
- multinational concerns
- global effects (nature vs industrialised nations)

15. Crime and Violence

- code of conduct
- misbehaviour/misconduct
- (teenage) crime (causes/prevention/measures)
- youth prison/alternatives
- consequences/punishment
- community service
- fines
- boot camps
- Rights and responsibilities
- Juvenile law
- Different types of crime
- surveillance and privacy
- rules at home
- rules at school
- social behaviour
- detention (school/home)
- bullying

16. Identity and Diversity

- ethnic diversity
- cultural diversity
- multi-ethnic groups /diversity
- gender issues
- career women/housewives
- future family life
- Influential (wo)men (historical, political, social, [wo]men of interest)
- personalities (achievements, historical importance, popularity)
- role models/celebrities
- self-consciousness
- race
- individual identity
- social identity
- identity theft
- regional identities
- stereotypes, prejudices
- equality
- finding and defining identity as a teenager
- traditions
- migration
- minorities
- benefits/problems of integration
- multi-cultural life
- conditions for integration
- problems/restriction of numbers of immigrants
- refugees, asylum seekers
- tolerance vs acceptance
- integration
- volunteering
- poverty
- making a difference
- diverse classrooms
- student exchange
- cultural experience
- personal development
- social contributions
- youth groups
- generation conflicts
- language
- workplace
- education
- religion
- traditions and values
- politics

17. Politics and Institutions

- right to vote
- importance/necessity of politics
- contribution to changes
- areas of political influence
- representative democracy
- political institutions
- political education in school
- direct democracy
- other state forms
- politicians 'roles
- political systems (UK, USA, Austria, ...)
- (presidential) elections
- voluntary work
- charities
- NGOs (e.g. AI, UN, ect.)
- donating money
- human rights
- protests and rebellion
- peace
- civil disobedience
- slavery
- homelessness
- ethics
- political correctness

18. Reading and Literature

- e-reader
- future of books
- reading habits
- choosing a book
- favourite book
- genres
- what makes a good book
- book vs film
- classics
- children's literature
- educational aspects
- fairytales
- poetry
- benefits of reading
- literary elements
- literary analysis
- young adult fiction
- history of the printed word
- libraries