

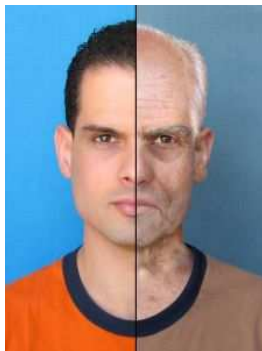
TASK I: MONOLOGUE

TOPIC 12

- *In this part of the exam you are going to give a short talk on a topic.*
- *You can use some of the ideas given below, or any other information relevant to the topic.*
- *The talk should last 3 or 4 minutes. When the teacher signals you to stop you should bring your talk to a conclusion.*
- *When it is the other candidate's turn to speak, you should not interrupt. When he or she finishes one of the examiners will ask you one question about what they have said.*

THE ELDERLY IN OUR SOCIETY

People live longer nowadays and some think that **retirement age should be 70 or even 75** in some jobs. Do you agree?



Elderly people nowadays have a **more interesting life** than in the past. Do you agree with this statement?

Some people **prefer living on their own** to living with their families or in old people's homes. What do you think? What would you like for yourself?



Some scientists predict that soon it will be normal to **live up to 120 or even longer**. Is this as positive as it sounds? Can you think of any drawbacks?