PART TWO – SPEAKING SECTION

Your response to the question below must be spoken in Japanese.

You have 10 minutes to write notes for your response to the question. Then, give a spoken response of 3–4 minutes before handing back this card. Base your response on information in the listening passage and/or the reading text. You may use your notes as you speak.

You are expected to:
• interpret the listening passage and/or reading text accurately, and link it with your own ideas
• communicate with confidence and style, using idioms and pauses where appropriate
• express your ideas in a convincing and fluent way that holds the interest of the listener.

The recording will be stopped after 5 minutes.

QUESTION THREE

“It is better to have a gap year after graduating from high school or university, before deciding what you want to do in the future.”

To what extent do you agree or disagree with this statement? Consider career pathways in both New Zealand and Japan, and 21st century skills, when formulating your response. Remember to interpret the listening passage and/or reading text accurately, and link it with your own ideas.

THE SUPERVISOR WILL TAKE BACK THIS CARD AFTER YOU HAVE GIVEN YOUR ORAL RESPONSE TO THE QUESTION.