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ASSESSMENT CHECKLIST

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9. LANGUAGE & REGISTER	Accurate lexico-grammar; topic-specific vocabulary; appropriate register.	☐	☐	☐	
10. DELIVERY & TIME	Natural pace/intonation; stays within 3–4 minutes.	☐	☐	☐	3–4 min

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