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MARK SCHEME

Maximum Mark: 80

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Generic Marking Principles

These general marking principles must be applied by all examiners when marking candidate answers. They should be applied alongside the specific content of the mark scheme or generic level descriptors for a question. Each question paper and mark scheme will also comply with these marking principles.

GENERIC MARKING PRINCIPLE 1:

Marks must be awarded in line with:

- the specific content of the mark scheme or the generic level descriptors for the question
- the specific skills defined in the mark scheme or in the generic level descriptors for the question
- the standard of response required by a candidate as exemplified by the standardisation scripts.

GENERIC MARKING PRINCIPLE 2:

Marks awarded are always **whole marks** (not half marks, or other fractions).

GENERIC MARKING PRINCIPLE 3:

Marks must be awarded **positively**:

- marks are awarded for correct/valid answers, as defined in the mark scheme. However, credit is given for valid answers which go beyond the scope of the syllabus and mark scheme, referring to your Team Leader as appropriate
- marks are awarded when candidates clearly demonstrate what they know and can do
- marks are not deducted for errors
- marks are not deducted for omissions
- answers should only be judged on the quality of spelling, punctuation and grammar when these features are specifically assessed by the question as indicated by the mark scheme. The meaning, however, should be unambiguous.

GENERIC MARKING PRINCIPLE 4:

Rules must be applied consistently e.g. in situations where candidates have not followed instructions or in the application of generic level descriptors.

GENERIC MARKING PRINCIPLE 5:

Marks should be awarded using the full range of marks defined in the mark scheme for the question (however; the use of the full mark range may be limited according to the quality of the candidate responses seen).

GENERIC MARKING PRINCIPLE 6:

Marks awarded are based solely on the requirements as defined in the mark scheme. Marks should not be awarded with grade thresholds or grade descriptors in mind.

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This component forms part of the **Extended** tier assessment of Cambridge IGCSE English as a Second Language and tests the following Assessment Objectives:

AO1: Reading
R1 identify and select relevant information
R2 understand ideas, opinions and attitudes
R3 show understanding of the connections between ideas, opinions and attitudes
R4 understand what is implied but not directly stated, e.g. gist, writer's purpose, intentions and feelings

AO2: Writing
W1 communicate information/ideas/opinions clearly, accurately and effectively
W2 organise ideas into coherent paragraphs using a range of appropriate linking devices
W3 use a range of grammatical structures accurately and effectively
W4 show control of punctuation and spelling
W5 use appropriate register and style/format for the given purpose and audience

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Exercise 1

Question	Answer	Marks
1	colleague (told her about an advert)	**1**
2	pass a medical (test)	**1**
3	(at the end of) January	**1**
4	(working out) how much food to order	**1**
5	apple(s)	**1**
6	(she'd been) busy planning a menu	**1**
7	**Award 1 mark for each detail up to a maximum 2 marks:** do exercise before getting into bed put your clothes in the bed (the night before)	**2**
8	(relaxing in) a hot bath	**1**
9	**Award 1 mark for each detail up to a maximum of 4 marks:** the colours of the landscape / (amazing) range of landscape colours preparing meals that make them feel better (the opportunity to) be creative the cold saving (lots of) money	**4**

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Exercise 2

Question	Answer	Marks
10(a)	D	**1**
10(b)	C	**1**
10(c)	A	**1**
10(d)	D	**1**
10(e)	B	**1**
10(f)	C	**1**
10(g)	A	**1**
10(h)	D	**1**
10(i)	B	**1**
10(j)	A	**1**

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Exercise 3

Question	Answer	Marks
11	*Award 1 mark for each acceptable response, up to a maximum of 3 marks.* *Acceptable responses are:* **How this newly discovered fish behaves differently from other 'walking fish'** 1 uses its (four) fins to walk / doesn't use tail to jump or slide forward 2 walks (exactly) like a land animal (with four legs) 3 climbs waterfalls using its body (to grip the rock) 4 keeps its tail straight as it walks / tail movement is not typical as it walks	**3**
12	*Award 1 mark for each acceptable response, up to a maximum of 3 marks.* *Acceptable responses are:* **What scientists might learn from the discovery of this new fish** 1 why it moves in this (unique) way 2 what life (on Earth) looked like 400 million years ago / what life (on Earth) looked like when (living) creatures moved from oceans to land 3 how (living) creatures learned to walk / how (living) creatures first walked 4 whether they are our earliest (living) ancestors	**3**
13	*Award 1 mark for each acceptable response, up to a maximum of 3 marks.* *Acceptable responses are:* **Why it was difficult for scientists to study this new fish** 1 only (been) found in eight caves (in Thailand) 2 only (around) 2000 exist / only (around) 2000 in the wild 3 not allowed to remove (them) from caves 4 needed (to obtain special) permission from (Thai) government	**3**

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Exercise 4:

- You should decide on a mark for Content and Language **separately.**
- **Content** points are listed below.
- This paper has two aspects of Content in the task. If only one aspect is successfully addressed, then **a maximum of 4 marks can be awarded for Language**.
- **Language** covers **organisation** and **coherence**, and **range** and **accuracy** of language. When deciding on a mark for Language, first gain an impression of the response, then focus on the level descriptors in order to decide on the best fit. If all three bullet points within the band are fulfilled then it is likely that you will award the higher mark within that band.
- If the response exceeds 120 words, a maximum of 6 marks can be awarded for Language.

Question	Answer	Marks
14	Award up to a total of 16 marks.	
	Up to **8 marks** to be awarded for **Content** (Reading) Relevant points to include are: **How to improve your intelligence** 1 do number puzzles 2 treat your brain like any other part of your body / do exercise / have a healthy diet / run 3 make changes to your clothing / wear a white coat / wear a lab coat 4 do something that you're not good at / do something (uncomfortably) difficult 5 use technology to expose yourself to complex (new) material 6 don't go quickly from one topic to another / pick one subject and go into it in depth **How to appear more intelligent to other people** 7 speak confidently 8 smile while you are talking 9 wear glasses 10 use a middle initial	**8**
	Up to **8 marks** to be awarded for **Language** (Writing). See generic marking criteria for Exercise 4.	**8**

Generic marking criteria for Exercise 4

Marks	Language (Writing)
7–8	• Points are very well organised and coherent. Cohesive devices are used effectively. • Very good use of own words. • High level of accuracy of vocabulary and grammatical structures.
5–6	• Points are well organised and coherent. Cohesive devices are used appropriately. • Good use of own words. • Good level of accuracy of vocabulary and simple grammatical structures.
3–4	• Points are partly organised and reasonably coherent. Cohesive devices are used generally appropriately. • Some attempt to use own words, with some reliance on language from the text. • Reasonable level of accuracy of vocabulary and simple grammatical structures.
1–2	• Little or no attempt to organise points. Cohesive devices are either not used or are not used appropriately. • Heavy reliance on language from the text. • Limited control of lexis and grammatical structures.
0	• No response worthy of credit.

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Generic marking criteria for Exercises 5 and 6

The following general instructions, and table of marking criteria, apply to both Exercises 5 and 6.

- You should decide on a mark for Content and Language **separately**.
- **Content** covers the **relevance** (i.e. whether the piece fulfils the task and the awareness of purpose/audience/register) and the **development of ideas** (i.e. the detail/explanation provided).
- **Language** covers **range** (i.e. complexity of vocabulary and sentence structure) **and accuracy** (of grammar, spelling, punctuation and text **organisation**).
- When deciding on a mark for **Content** or **Language**, first of all decide which band is most appropriate. There will not necessarily be an exact fit. Then decide between the lower or the higher mark. Use the lower mark if it fulfils some of the requirements of the band and the higher mark if it fulfils all the requirements of the band.
- When deciding on a mark for **Content**, look at both **relevance** and **development of ideas**. First ask yourself whether the writing fulfils the task, in terms of points to be covered and the required length. If the task is generally fulfilled it will be awarded **at least** 3–4 marks.
- When deciding on a mark for **Language**, look at both the **range** and the **accuracy** of the language. A useful starting point would be first to gain an impression of the level, then to focus on the level descriptors in order to decide on the best fit.
- If the writing is **considerably shorter** than the stated word length, i.e. below 105 words, it should be given a maximum of 3 marks for Content.
- If the writing is only **partly relevant** and therefore can be awarded only 1–2 Content marks, the full range of marks for Language is still available.
- If the writing is **totally irrelevant** and has nothing to do with the question asked, it should be given 0 marks for **Content** and **Language**.

Question	Answer	Marks
15	Award up to a total of 16 marks. **Up to 8 marks** to be awarded for **Content**. Plus **up to 8 marks** to be awarded for **Language**. See generic marking criteria for Exercises 5 and 6.	**16**

Question	Answer	Marks
16	Award up to a total of 16 marks. **Up to 8 marks** to be awarded for **Content**. Plus **up to 8 marks** to be awarded for **Language**. See generic marking criteria for Exercises 5 and 6.	**16**

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Marking Criteria for Exercises 5 and 6

Marks	Content (maximum 8 marks)	Marks	Language (maximum 8 marks)
7–8	Relevance • Task is fulfilled. • Consistently appropriate style and register for the text type. • Excellent sense of purpose and audience. Development of ideas • Content is very well developed, at appropriate length. • Content is communicated skilfully and effectively.	7–8	Range and accuracy • Uses a wide range of common and less common vocabulary effectively. • Uses a wide range of structures, both simple and complex, effectively. • High level of accuracy of language throughout. Occasional errors may be present but these do not impede communication. • Errors are related to less common vocabulary or more complex structures. Organisation • Effectively organised and sequenced. • Uses a wide range of linking words and other cohesive devices, effectively.
5–6	Relevance • Task is fulfilled. • Generally appropriate style and register for the text type. • Generally good sense of purpose and audience. Development of ideas • Content is developed, at appropriate length. • Content is generally communicated clearly.	5–6	Range and accuracy • Uses a good range of common vocabulary appropriately, and attempts to use some less common vocabulary. • Uses a good range of simple structures appropriately, and attempts to use some more complex structures. • Good level of accuracy of language throughout. Errors do not generally impede communication. • Errors are generally related to less common vocabulary or more complex structures. Organisation • Well organised and sequenced. • Uses a good range of linking words and other cohesive devices, appropriately.

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Marks	Content (maximum 8 marks)	Marks	Language (maximum 8 marks)
3–4	Relevance • Task is generally fulfilled. • Reasonably appropriate style and register for the text type, although this may not be consistent. • Some sense of purpose and audience. Development of ideas • Some development of content, although in places it may be incomplete or repetitive. • Content is communicated, but may lack clarity in places.	3–4	Range and accuracy • Uses mainly common vocabulary, reasonably appropriately. • Uses mainly simple structures, reasonably successfully. • Reasonable level of accuracy of language. Errors may impede communication in places. • Errors may occur when using common vocabulary or simple structures. Organisation • Reasonably well organised and sequenced. • Uses some linking words and other cohesive devices, reasonably appropriately.
1–2	Relevance • Task may only be partially fulfilled. • Style and register for the text type may be inappropriate. • Insufficient sense of purpose and audience. Development of ideas • Limited attempt to develop content, although there may be gaps, irrelevance and/or repetition. • Limited attempt to communicate content, but it lacks clarity in places.	1–2	Range and accuracy • Limited use of vocabulary. • Limited use of structures. • Lack of control of language. Meaning is often unclear. • Errors occur when using common vocabulary and simple structures. Organisation • Organisation lacks sequencing. • Limited attempt to use linking words and other cohesive devices.
0	• No response worthy of credit.	0	• No response worthy of credit.

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