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Paper 3 Reading Foundation Tier

Mark scheme

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Listening and Reading tests

General principles of marking

Non-verbal answers

Follow the mark scheme as set out.

Verbal answers (English or target language)

1. The basic principle of assessment is that students should gain credit for what they know, understand and can do; provided their written response communicates the required message without ambiguity, it will get the mark. The following guidance should be borne in mind when marking.

- (a) Credit should be given for all answers which convey the key idea required intelligibly and without ambiguity. This applies whether the answer is in English or target language. A separate assessment of spelling, punctuation and grammar is not required because of the nature of the answers. However, these aspects are an integral part of assessing communication and marks cannot be awarded where errors in spelling, punctuation or grammar lead to a failure to communicate the required information without ambiguity.
- (b) Where a student has given alternatives or additional information in an answer, the following criteria should be applied: if the alternative/addition does not contradict the key idea/make it ambiguous, accept If the alternative/addition contradicts the key idea or makes it ambiguous, reject.
- (c) Where numbered lines are given within a question/section of a question, credit should be given for correct answers, no matter which line they appear on.
- (d) Where a question has more than one section (eg (i) and (ii), a candidate may include as part of the answer to one section the information required to answer another section. Eg, in Listening, information required to answer section (ii) might be given as part of the answer to section (i). In such cases, credit should be given for having answered section (ii), provided that no incorrect answer has been given for that section in the correct place on the question paper.

2. In questions where students are asked to give for example a list of three items, only the first three items they write down should be considered for assessment purposes.

3. No mark scheme can cover all possible answers. When in doubt, look for the key idea.

4. Where a student has crossed out an answer and what was underneath remains legible then it should be marked. When part of an answer is crossed out, then only what remains should be considered.

5. .../.. means that these are acceptable alternative answers in the mark scheme. (.....) means that this information is not needed for full marks to be awarded.

6. The following general principles should be applied in relation to answers in the target language in Section B:

- (a) Incorrect personal pronouns accept (unless this causes ambiguity).
- (b) Incorrect possessive adjectives accept (unless this causes ambiguity).
- (c) Wrong gender accept (unless this causes ambiguity).
- (d) Infinitive will normally communicate without ambiguity, so should be accepted.
- (e) Wrong tense accept as long as student comprehension is not in question.
- (f) Minor spelling errors accept as long as the answer is understandable with no ambiguity. In Section B, this means that even if the spelling error results in the creation of a word in another language, including English, then provided it is a recognisable attempt at a spelling in the target language, it will be credited.

Question	Key idea	Accept	Reject	Mark
01.1	15	Amount in words in English	Amount in words/numbers in Bengali	1

Question	Key idea	Accept	Reject	Mark
01.2	25	Amount in words in English	Amount in words/numbers in Bengali	1

Question	Key idea	Accept	Reject	Mark
01.3	35	Amount in words in English	Amount in words/numbers in Bengali	1

Question	Key idea	Accept	Reject	Mark
02.1	Library	Reading room/corner	Any other room	1

Question	Key idea	Accept	Reject	Mark
02.2	The sea	Seaside/ocean/coast	River, lake	1

Question	Key idea	Accept	Reject	Mark
02.3	The (nice) view	Sceneries/scenic beauty		1

Question	Key idea	Accept	Reject	Mark
02.4	Go for a walk	Walk/walking	Jog/run	1

Question	Accept	Mark
03.1	B, 2	2

Question	Accept	Mark
03.2	C, 1	2

Question	Accept	Mark	
04.1	Ν	1	

Question	Accept	Mark
04.2	P	1

Question	Accept	Mark
04.3	Ν	1

Question	Accept	Mark
04.4	F	1

Question	Key idea	Accept	Reject	Mark
05.1	Advantage: Makes you happy	Advantage: Improves happiness/sound mind/less anxiety	Advantage: Weight loss	2
05.1	Disadvantage: It can weaken your bones	Disadvantage: Makes bones weak/weak bones	Disadvantage: Makes you tired	Z

Question	Key idea	Accept	Reject	Mark
	Advantage: Good for your digestion	Advantage: Good for stomach	Advantage: Good for you (on its own)	
05.2	Disadvantage: Can lead to monotonous/boring life/living	Disadvantage: Can be boring/monotonous	Disadvantage:	2

Question	Accept	Mark
06.1	Т	1

Question	Accept	Mark
06.2	F	1

Question	Accept	Mark
06.3	F	1

Question	Accept	Mark
06.4	т	1

Question	Accept	Mark
06.5	т	1

Que	estion	Accept	Mark
0	6.6	NM	1

Question	Accept	Mark
06.7	F	1

Question	Accept	Mark
07.1	Ν	1

Question	Accept	Mark
07.2	Ρ	1

Question	Accept	Mark
07.3	P+N	1

Question	Key idea	Accept	Reject	Mark
08.1	She visits her uncle's place, has fun with cousins, enjoys fruit picking, goes walking along the village road (Any two)	Uncle's house, collects fruit, hikes/walks in countryside/along roads, sees cousins (Any two)	Plucks flowers, visits grandparents, runs in the fields	2

Question	Key idea	Accept	Reject	Mark
08.2	Her dad lives abroad, lack of money, lack of family accommodation (Any two)	Travel/flights are expensive, no money, nowhere for family to stay there, dad is abroad/in another country (Any two)	Lack of visa/dad is separated	2

Question	Accept	Mark
09	A, D, F (in any order)	3

Question	Accept	Mark
10	A, C, E (in any order)	3

Question	Accept	Mark
11	C, F, H, E (in this order)	4

Question	Accept	Mark
12.1	C	1

Question	Accept	Mark
12.2	В	1

Question	Accept	Mark
12.3	C	1

Question	Accept	Mark
12.4	A	1

Question	Nomo		Key idea		Accept	Print	Mork
Question	Name	Before	Now	Later		Reject	Mark
	সোহেল		আগাছা/বাগান পরিষ্কার করে	বিপন্ন প্রাণীদের জীবন রক্ষা করতে সাহায্য করবে।	পশুপাখিদের জীবন বাঁচাতে সাহায্য করবে	বন্য জানোয়ার	2
13	বাবুল	কিছুই করেনি		বায়ূ দূষণ কমাবে	হাইব্রিড গাড়ি চালাবে	বড়ো গাড়ি/কম গাড়ি চালাবে	2

Question		Key idea	Accept	Reject	Mark
	আমার নতুন ইংরেজি শিক্ষককে	my new English teacher.	Teacher (transliterated)	lesson	1
	আমি পছন্দ করি না।	I don't like/dislike	I hate	like	1
	গতকাল তাঁর কথা আমি বুঝতে পারিনি	Yesterday I couldn't understand his words,	I was not able to understand/get to the teacher instruction	Tomorrow	1
14	বলে তিনি আমাার ওপর রেগে গিয়েছিলেন।	so he became angry with me	So, s/he showed me temper	upset	1
14	স্কুলের পরে বন্ধুদের সাথে	After school with friends	after finishing school	Before/cousins	1
	আমি উপহারের দোকানে গিয়েছিলাম।	I went to the gift shop.	I had to go to the shop selling gifts/presents	museum	1
	সেখান থেকে একটি ঘড়ি কিনলাম	I bought a watch from there.	wristwatch	Will buy/bangle	1
	ছোটো বোনের জন্মদিন উপলক্ষে	On the occasion of my younger sister's birthday	It was for my little sisters' birthday	brother	1
	ঘড়িটি বেশ দামী।	The watch is very expensive.	costly	very beautiful house	1

Total marks = 60