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General Marking Guidance

- All candidates must receive the same treatment. Examiners must mark the first candidate in exactly the same way as they mark the last.
- Mark schemes should be applied positively. Candidates must be rewarded for what they have shown they can do rather than penalised for omissions.
- Examiners should mark according to the mark scheme not according to their perception of where the grade boundaries may lie.
- There is no ceiling on achievement. All marks on the mark scheme should be used appropriately.
- All the marks on the mark scheme are designed to be awarded. Examiners should always award full marks if deserved, i.e. if the answer matches the mark scheme. Examiners should also be prepared to award zero marks if the candidate's response is not worthy of credit according to the mark scheme.
- Where some judgement is required, mark schemes will provide the principles by which marks will be awarded and exemplification may be limited.
- When examiners are in doubt regarding the application of the mark scheme to a candidate's response, the team leader must be consulted.
- Crossed out work should be marked UNLESS the candidate has replaced it with an alternative response.

Unit 1: Reading mark scheme

There are no marks for quality of language or spelling in this unit, therefore errors in the Reading unit assessment script will be tolerated as long as the message is not ambiguous and it does not prevent communication. Such errors include where a candidate has mis-copied an English word or name.

Question number	Answer	Mark
1(a)	C (Saturday 5th April)	(1)

Question number	Answer	Mark
1(b)	B (Newtown Hall, High Street)	(1)

Question number	Answer	Mark
1(c)	A (the food that Luca cannot eat)	(1)

Question number	Answer	Mark
1(d)	A (pizza)	(1)

Question number	Answer	Mark
1(e)	C (listen to Abba music)	(1)

Question number	Answer	Mark
1(f)	B (mouse)	(1)

Question number	Answer	Mark
2	A (picture of a cat) B (school bag with cats on) F (football with cats on) *Candidates cross a maximum of 3 boxes, for every cross over 3 deduct a mark.	(3)

Question number	Answer	Mark
3	A (Grandad is writing to Jack in the afternoon.) D (Grandad reads to the children and then they have something to eat.) F (Grandad wants to know more about Jack's job.) *Candidates cross a maximum of 3 boxes, for every cross over 3 deduct a mark.	(3)

Question number	Answer	Mark
4(a)	women	(1)

Question number	Answer	Mark
4(b)	men	(1)

Question number	Answer	Mark
4(c)	Sunday	(1)

Question number	Answer	Mark
4(d)	Thursday	(1)

Question number	Answer	Mark
4(e)	bicycle	(1)

Question number	Answer	Reject	Mark
5(a)	(in) Vancouver	Miami / Toronto	(1)

Question number	Answer	Reject	Mark
5(b)	his trousers got wet (answers must refer to the trousers, accept 'it was raining' as a preamble, e.g. it was raining and his/her trousers got wet)	It was a short walk / it was raining / he got wet	(1)

Question number	Answer	Reject	Mark
5(c)	two hours	after two hours	(1)

Question number	Answer	Reject	Mark
5(d)	(a long) bicycle ride	play online games / do his homework	(1)

Question number	Answer	Reject	Mark
5(e) (i)	(does) his homework / he studies / working at home (NB Correct answers can be accepted in any order. But the same idea should only be rewarded once)	cycle ride / play games / sit and relax / work	(1)

Question number	Answer	Reject	Mark
5(e) (ii)	visits his grandparents	cycle ride / play games / sit and relax / work	(1)

Question number	Answer	Mark
6	A (It was snowing on Saturday)	(3)

	B (Teo stayed in his house until Sunday) D (Teo's mum and dad had lunch with Teo and Zara)	
	*Candidates cross a maximum of 3 boxes, for every cross over 3 deduct a mark.	

Question number	Answer	Mark
7(a)	A (find information and advice about careers)	(1)

Question number	Answer	Mark
7(b)	C (people do not do anymore)	(1)

Question number	Answer	Mark
7(c)	A (people will do in the future)	(1)

Question number	Answer	Reject	Mark
8(a)	5.6 trillion (dollars)		(1)

Question number	Answer	Reject	Mark
8(b)	it is growing quickly there will always be opportunities/jobs they will need employees the jobs won't be replaced by AI Accept 'the value of the industry will rise, as a preamble to the correct answer, e.g. the value of the industry will rise so there will be many jobs. *Answers need to include a reference to the future	Answers that refer to money or the value of the industry only Answers that do not include a reference to the future, e.g. they need employees/there are lots of jobs	(1)

Question number	Answer	Reject	Mark
8(c)	skills and/or qualifications software programmers		(1)

Question number	Answer	Reject	Mark
8(d)	helping people / being helpful	helping people using hands providing great customer service most jobs will never be replaced by AI	(1)

Question number	Answer	Reject	Mark
8(e)	when space travel gets cheaper	in the future / when it is cheaper	(1)

Question number	Answer	Reject	Mark
9(a)	introduce/change to a four-day school week	a four-day school week	(1)

Question number	Answer	Reject	Mark
9(b)	876	662 / no range of numbers	(1)

Question number	Answer	Reject	Mark
9(c)	(having) a three-day weekend	less time travelling to school / have more time to relax / prepare work for school. Lift: few people in any business or organisation would complain about having a three-day weekend	(1)

Question number	Answer	Reject	Mark
9(d)	they don't miss lessons / school	Answers which refer to parents	(1)

Question number	Answer	Reject	Mark
9(e)	(mainly) grades go down (answers must state positively what usually happens) (accept 'grades never go up' as a preamble e.g. grades never go up, mainly they go down)	grades go up/stay the same / grades never go up /grades stay the same but mainly go down (answers that state what does not / never happens without clearly linking to the idea that grades usually go down) lift: the grades never go up, they stay the same or go down	(1)

Question number	Answer	Reject	Mark
9(f)	(school) subjects subjects like computing, science, sports and music (answers must show that they recognise the pronoun 'others' replaces the noun 'subjects'.)	English / Maths / computing / Science / PE / music / Lessons / classes	(1)

Question number	Answer	Mark
10(a)	B (They take place in big spaces)	(1)

Question number	Answer	Mark
10(b)	A (to protest against a plan)	(1)

Question number	Answer	Mark
11(a)	C (Her mum copied the movements of the ride.)	(1)

Question number	Answer	Mark
11(b)	C (She thinks it is for parents or children.)	(1)

Question number	Answer	Mark
11(c)	A (She did not have a lot of money to spend on going away.)	(1)

Question number	Answer	Mark
12(a)	C (It would stop her spending too much money.)	(1)

Question number	Answer	Mark
12(b)	B (put sand into a tray)	(1)

Question number	Answer	Reject	Mark
13(a)	anxious / worried / has anxiety / feels anxiety / has worry / feels worry / she is constantly worrying about flight delays or whether her baggage would arrive or not / feels that it's stressful/worrying	rested / appreciated / joy / anxieties / (constantly) worrying / worrying about flight delays / worrying about baggage lift: so used to worrying about flight delays/baggage (answers must say how Samira feels not just what she does)	(1)

Question number	Answer	Reject	Mark
13(b)	no cleaner / had to tidy up herself / had to clean up sand (answers need to show that she was responsible for clearing up the sand)	clearing up the sand (without the idea of Samira having to do so)	(1)

Question number	Answer	Reject	Mark
13(c)	inviting friends to be with her / not being alone (answers must show that she wanted other people with her in person during her holiday at home)	Her parents / her friends / a company / work / business / travelling with someone / call friends / speak to someone on the phone / she was lonely	(1)

