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Mark Scheme

French

(Unit 5W)

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Annotation of Scripts – Unit 5W

- C written in the margin to indicate information relevant to AO4
- R written in the margin to indicate evidence of personal reaction or evaluation (AO2)
- written in the margin to indicate evidence of personal reaction with justification or evaluation with conclusions
- **Rep** written in the margin to indicate repetition of information relevant to AO4 or of evidence of personal reaction AO2.

"irr" and vertical line in the margin = irrelevant material

The mark for AO2, AO4 and AO3 respectively to be written at the foot of the answer accompanied, where the examiner deems it necessary, by a word or phrase quoted from the criteria for assessment as published in the specification.

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Unit 5W The Cultural and Social Landscape in Focus

The assessment objectives will be allocated in the following way.

		% of A Level	Marks
AO2	Response to written language	2.5	5
AO3	Knowledge of grammar	2.5	5
AO4	Knowledge of society	10	20
	TOTAL	15	30

The following criteria will be used.

	Knowledge of Society (AO4)
16-20	Demonstrates thorough knowledge and understanding of the task using a wide range of examples and evidence. The answer is fully relevant with a good depth of treatment.
11-15	Demonstrates sound overall knowledge and understanding of the task, using a good range of examples and evidence. The answer is mostly relevant, treating the task in some depth.
6-10	Demonstrates some knowledge and understanding of the task. Examples and evidence are mostly simple, but the answer is generally relevant.
1-5	Demonstrates only limited knowledge and understanding of the task. Limited range of examples and evidence, often superficial.
0	The answer shows no relevance to the task set. A zero score will automatically result in a zero score for the answer as a whole.
	Reaction/Response (AO2)
5	A good range of points evaluated with conclusions. Clear evidence of personal reaction, well illustrated/justified. Well organised structure with clear progression.
4	Some attempt at evaluation with some personal reaction and conclusions but not always convincingly illustrated/justified. Logical structure with some progression.
3	Some evaluation evident, but relies on received ideas with few conclusions and little personal opinion. Some attempts at structure. Ideas generally not well supported.
2	Little relevant reaction/opinion/evaluation, generally factual or descriptive. Very poor structure.
0-1	Little or no reaction. No real illustration or justification.

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	Knowledge of Grammar (AO3)
5	Very good command of the language. Good use of idiom, complex structures and a wide range of vocabulary. Highly accurate grammar and sentence structure; only occasional mistakes.
4	Good command of the language. Attempts to use complex constructions and a wide range of vocabulary. Good grammar and sentence structure. Generally accurate.
3	A variety of linguistic structures used, generally effectively. Limitations in the use of more complex structures and more sophisticated vocabulary. Grammatical errors rarely impede comprehension.
2	Reasonable performance, tending to use unsophisticated constructions and vocabulary. Grammatical errors generally do not impede comprehension.
0-1	Generally comprehensible to a native speaker. Limited range of constructions, vocabulary and sentence patterns. Grammatical errors may significantly impede comprehension.



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(Notes for answers)

SET TEXTS

Camus: L'Etranger

Question 3(a)

2e Partie from chapter 3 onwards

The following material might be found in answers:

Description of and atmosphere in courtroom – people present - thoughts and reactions of the various people – journalists – lawyers – witnesses and their testimonies + comment – thoughts and reactions of Meursault – reminders of normal life when Meursault is transported to/from prison – wait for verdict – death sentence and reactions – Meursault's thoughts of past and future – specific answer to second part of question with justification.

Question 3(b)

2e Partie

The following material might be found in answers:

Impressions and reaction to prison – juge d'instruction - visits – Marie – other prisoners – warders – Meursault's thoughts – lawyers – treatment – view of sea – freedom and what it means – visit of aumônier and his discussion with Meursault – specific answers to second part of question with explanation – empathy with Meursault and his situation.

Molière: Le Tartuffe

Question 1(a)

End of Act III Scene 6.

The following material might be found in answers:

What precisely happens and why – who does what and why – reactions of the various characters to events and the reasons why – what effects events have on whom/what - the use Molière makes of this situation and why – how does the situation influence the play? - is it amusing/tragic etc? – what is revealed about the major players? – personal assessment of/reaction to the above – a specific answer to the second part of the question with explanation/justification.

Question 1(b)

The following material might be found in answers:

Orgon the father – Orgon the husband – Orgon the son – Orgon the friend – Orgon the head of the family – Orgon the subject of the King – Orgon the pillar of society – Orgon the man with his own agenda – Orgon the invention of Molière – Orgon the individual – Orgon and his relationship with Tartuffe – a specific answer to the second part of the question although many candidates will do this implicitly in the way they describe Orgon.



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Voltaire: Candide

Question 2(a)

Essentially chapters XVII and XVIII and possibly XIX.

It is hoped that candidates will give both a factual and a personal response.

The following material might be found in answers:

A description of buildings, countryside – people – attitudes – beliefs – behaviour – relationships – living conditions – government – monarchy – money – trade – morality – laws – gold and precious stones – treatment of strangers – reaction to new ideas/people – religion an answer to the second part of the question with explanation/justification.

Question 2(b)

The following material might be found in answers:

Individuals – countries – continents – institutions – religion – morality – law – punishment – philosophy – personal relationships – slavery – freedom – treatment of others – human weakness – international alliances – living conditions – inequalities - government – monarchy – social hierarchy – power – beliefs and myths – values – church/state/individual – war – tolerance an answer to the second part of the question with explanation/justification.

It is hoped that answers will attempt to categorise and not merely give a list.