

MARK SCHEME for the October 2007 question paper

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| <p>CAMBRIDGE INTERNATIONAL DIPLOMA IN TRAVEL AND TOURISM 5251/5250 Travel and Tourism Core Module, Maximum mark 100</p> |
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| Q. No. | Expected Answer | Mark | A.O. |
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| 1 (a) (i) | <p>Award one mark for each of five valid identifications from Photo A from the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Swimming pool(s) • Children’s pool • Shaded canopy • Pool bar • Sun loungers/Bench/Chair/Seat • Umbrellas • Parkland area planted with palm trees • Lighting • Litter bins | 5 | B3.0 |
| (ii) | <p>Award one mark for each of two valid disadvantages and then a second mark for an appropriate explanation of each.</p> <p>Correct ideas will include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Small/limited size (1) – get crowded (1) • Marina use (1) – boats represent a risk (1) • Polluted water (1) – oil spillage (1) <p>Credit all valid reasoning based on photo B e.g. deep water risk</p> | 4 | A2.0 B3.0 |
| (b) | <p>Award one mark for each of three valid monitoring identifications and a further one mark for an appropriate explanation/development of each.</p> <p>Correct ideas will include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Customer comment card (1) – completed at time of service (1) – collected for evaluation (1) – common in hotel room, F&B environments (1) • Mystery shopper (1) – manager poses as guest (1) – evaluates service experience (1) • Complaints procedure (1) – follow-up sample of complaints (1) – monitor changes over time (1) <p>Credit all valid reasoning and developments.</p> | 6 | C1.0 D1.0 |
| (c) | <p>Award one mark for each of four valid services such as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Foreign exchange • Tour desk • Car hire • Restaurant/show reservations • Laundry • Business facilities • Concierge advice | 4 | A1.0 D1.0 |

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| (d) | <p><u>Use level of response criteria</u></p> <p>This is clearly set in tropical destination context and invites candidates to consider a range of either positive and/or negative socio-cultural impacts such as:</p> <p>Positive aspects might include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Preservation of traditional culture, folklore, festivals • Better recreational facilities • Better infrastructure <p>Negative aspects might include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Decline in traditional employment • Population migration • Seasonal underemployment • Exposure to alternative lifestyle(s) • Increased crime • Decline in importance of traditional way of life. <p>Level 1 (1–2 marks) will be descriptive and may well list a series of valid impacts.</p> <p>Level 2 (3–4 marks) will look at two valid impacts in some detail appropriate to an identifiable tropical destination.</p> <p>Level 3 (5–6 marks) will look at two or more valid impacts and offer reasoned discussion of their relative importance/significance and come to a conclusion.</p> | 6 | A2.0 |
| 2 (a) | <p>Award one mark for each of five landmarks from:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Castle complex • St Vitus Cathedral • Jewish Quarter • Old Town Square • Charles Bridge • Astronomical Clock • Wenceslas Square (allow horse statue) | 5 | B3.0 |
| (b) | <p>Award one mark for each of three valid identifications of ways and a further one mark for an appropriate explanation/development of each.</p> <p>Correct ideas will include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cheap (1) – only 300 Kc (1) • Inn stop (1) – Czech beer and food (1) • 3–4 hrs (1) – more suited to young (1) • Pick up at hostels (1) – back packer choice (1) • Clubs • Cultural appeal | 6 | B3.0 D2.0 |
| (c) | <p>Award one mark for each of two valid advantages and a further one mark for an appropriate explanation of each.</p> <p>Correct ideas will include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Easy access (1) – Metro lines A&C (1) • Convenience (1) – most attractions nearby (1) • Wenceslas Square (1) – attraction itself (1) <p>Credit all valid reasoning.</p> | 4 | A1.0 D2.0 |

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| (d) | <p>Award one mark for each of four appropriate skills such as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Foreign languages • Clear speech • Personal presentation • Literacy (knowledge) • Interpersonal <p>Allow all valid personal characteristics, skills and attributes.</p> | 4 | C2.0 |
| (e) | <p><u>Use level of response criteria</u></p> <p>This requires the candidate to consider sources of information and there must be evaluative comment for Level 3. We can accept reference to any valid sources.</p> <p>Level 1 (1–2 marks) will tend to be descriptive and sources of information may well be listed or very simply stated/described. Level 2 (3–4 marks) will comment on at least two methods in some depth and clearly indicate the use of each. Level 3 (5–6 marks) will have a more detailed treatment of two or more appropriate sources of information and their relative usefulness will be clearly commented on and a conclusion should be reached.</p> | 6 | C4.0 |
| 3 (a) (i) | 3950 Dhs for one mark | 1 | C4.0 |
| (ii) | Airbus 340–500 for one mark | 1 | C4.0 |
| (iii) | <p>Award one mark for each of two valid identifications of characteristics and a further one mark for an appropriate explanation/development of each. Correct ideas include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Runs to a fixed timetable (1) – flies regardless of load factor unlike charter flights (1) • Ticket flexibility (1) – changes possible (1) • Classes of travel (1) – different levels of service (1) | 4 | D4.0 |
| (b) (i) | Shopping for one mark – allow sightseeing and attraction visits | 1 | B3.0 |
| (ii) | <p>Award one mark for each of two valid advantages and a further one mark for an appropriate explanation of each.</p> <p>Correct ideas will include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Convenience (1) – carry shopping (1) • Cost (1) – cheap for 3 or 4 passengers (1) • Driver knowledge (1) – take to best places (1) <p>Credit all valid reasoning e.g. safety of passenger</p> | 4 | D1.0 |
| (c) (i) | <p>Award one mark for each of two valid service identifications and a further one mark for an appropriate description of each. Correct ideas will include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lounge access (1) – rest and work (1) • Limo transfer (1) – special check-in • Increased luggage allowance (1) – materials needed for trip (1) • In-flight facilities (1) – cabin/service details (1) | 4 | D4.0 |

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| (ii) | Award one mark for each of two valid service identifications and a further one mark for an appropriate description of each. Correct ideas will include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Airport transfer (1) – speed (1) • Fast check-in/out (1) – keep to schedules (1) • Room facilities (1) – work station etc. (1) • Business centre (1) – detail of facilities (1) | 4 | D1.0 |
| (d) | <u>Use level of response criteria</u> This represents a new topic for this exam but it is clearly stated in the syllabus. The New York focus of the question should provide a lead-in and we may credit references to any airport's local transportation infrastructure. Level 1 (1–2 marks) will be descriptive and will offer little more than a list of modes of transport Level 2 (3–4 marks) can be awarded to those candidates who write about at least two methods serving an identifiable airport and who make some comment about the relative importance/significance of each Level 3 (5–6 marks) can be awarded to those who look at two or more methods and offer appropriate comment about such matters as relative cost, speed/journey time, passenger convenience, ticketing/pre-booking etc. N.B. No named airport = 2 max | 6 | D1.0 |
| 4 (a) (i) | Straits of Malacca for one mark | 1 | B1.0 |
| (ii) | One mark for each of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Singapore • Malaysia • Thailand | 3 | B 1.0 C4.0 |
| (iii) | Singapore Changi for one mark | 1 | B1.0 |
| (b) | Award one mark for each of three valid identifications of ways and a further one mark for an appropriate explanation/development of each. Correct ideas include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Children's buffet (1) – portions and selection (1) • Playroom (1) – activities (1) • Babysitting (1) – service for parents (1) • Charlie's childcare centre (1) – nursery etc. (1) • Children's fun pool (1) – safe etc. (1) Allow valid reasoning e.g. Ice cream bar, cabin details | 6 | B3.0 |
| (c) | Award one for each of four of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Inside staterooms • Ocean view staterooms • Ocean view staterooms with balcony • Junior suites | 4 | C4.0 |

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| (d) | <p>Award one mark for each of four of the following stages:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Recording customer requirements correctly • Reservation file prepared • Diary further action(s) • Confirm reservations • Issue receipt for payment • Issue tickets <p>Credit to be given for appropriate stages from giving information to providing final itinerary.</p> | 4 | C3.0 |
| (e) | <p><u>Use level of response criteria</u></p> <p>This is a new topic for a 5251 question and the destination chosen must be a valid cruise port of call. The syllabus specifies “cruise circuits” and candidates are expected to have an appreciation of the fact that certain destinations are selected for passenger visits.</p> <p>Level 1 (1–2 marks) will list attractions to be found in a named port of call</p> <p>Level 2 (3–4 marks) will explain the visitor appeal of at least two attractions in an identifiable port of call. We can certainly also credit comment about the port/docking facilities at appropriate destinations as ships of a certain size are limited in their choice</p> <p>Level 3 (5–6 marks) can be readily awarded for a consideration of two or more aspects of appeal in an appropriate port of call</p> <p>Incorrect choice or no destination = 2 max</p> | 6 | D4.0 B3.0 |