



Coimisiún na Scrúduithe Stáit State Examinations Commission

Leaving Certificate Applied 2004

Sign Language

(100 Marks)

Thursday, 10 June 2004

(Duration of Examination – 20 to 30 minutes approximately)

There are 2 Parts in this examination.

Part One has 3 Sections, **A, B, C**.

Part Two has 2 Sections, **A, B**.

For the Examiner only

Total mark for Part One Section A	
Total mark for Part One Section B	
Total mark for Part One Section C	
Grand Total Part One	
Total Mark for Part Two Section A	
Total Mark for Part Two Section B	
Grand Total Part Two	
OVERALL TOTAL MARK	

PART ONE – SHORT QUESTIONS – (40 MARKS)

Students will be asked 12 questions from the following three sections:-

Section A – Candidates will be asked 5 questions worth 1 mark each.

Section B – Candidates will be asked 4 questions worth 4 marks each.

Section C – Candidates will be asked 3 questions; 2 questions will be worth 6 marks each and one question will be worth 7 marks.

Section A (1 mark each – maximum 5 marks)

Candidates to answer 5 out of 15 questions; one question from Subsection 1; one question from Subsection 2 and so on.

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Question	Mark
1a. What is the name of your home town? 1b. What is the name of your school? 1c. What is the name of your home place?	(1)
2a. How many students in your class? 2b. How many days in the year? 2c. How far is your home from here?	(1)
3a. What date is St Patrick's Day? 3b. Name one season of the year. 3c. What month did Easter fall in this year?	(1)
4a. What is your favourite food? 4b. What is your favourite fruit? 4c. What is your favourite drink?	(1)
5a. Where would you buy postage stamps? 5b. Where would you buy aspirin for headache? 5c. Where would you deposit your savings?	(1)
Total Marks (Maximum – 5 marks)	

Section B (4 marks each – maximum 16 marks)

Candidates to answer 4 out of 12 questions, one question from Subsection 6, one from Subsection 7 and so on.

Question	Mark
6a. What is involved in being a chef?	(4)
6b. What is involved in being a hairdresser?	
6c. What is involved in working with a computer?	
7a. What services are available at the bank?	(4)
7b. What services are available at the credit union?	
7c. What services are available at the post office?	
8a. What sports do deaf people take part in?	(4)
8b. What leisure activities do deaf people take part in?	
8c. What clubs in the deaf community do young deaf people go to?	
9a. What are the different communication modes used by deaf people?	(4)
9b. What is the difference between profound deafness and hard-of-hearing?	
9c. Explain the differences between sign-language and oralism.	
Total Marks (Maximum – 16 marks)	

Section C (6 or 7 marks each – maximum 19 marks)

Candidates to answer 3 out of 9 questions, one question from Subsection 10, one from Subsection 11 and so on.

Question	Mark
10a. Tell me about the differences between the signing of younger people and the signing of older people.	(6)
10b. Tell me about the characteristics of Irish Sign Language.	
10c. Tell me about what makes Irish Sign Language different from English.	
11a. Tell me about some characteristics of Irish culture.	(6)
11b. Tell me about what makes Ireland interesting for tourists.	
11c. Tell me about what makes Ireland different from other countries.	
12a. What benefits do deaf students gain from attending special schools?	(7)
12b. What is the difference between special education and mainstream education?	
12c. What problems do deaf students experience when going to college?	
Total Marks (Maximum – 19 marks)	

PART TWO - PRESENTATION - (60 MARKS)

Section A: (45 marks)

Students are given four topics at the beginning of Year 2 of their course. They must choose one of these topics and prepare a 3 to 5 minute presentation in Sign Language on the chosen topic.

After the presentation, the examiner will ask a number of questions on the topic.

- Topics:**
- 1 *Work Experience*
 - 2 *Life of a famous deaf person (Irish or non-Irish)*
 - 3 *Technology for the deaf*
 - 4 *A trip you enjoyed*

Student's Expressive Skills in Sign Language	(20)
Content of Presentation	(25)
Total Marks (Maximum – 45 marks)	

Section B: Questions (5 marks each)

1. General question on development/elaboration on an aspect of presentation.	(5)
2. Describe the methods you used to prepare for your presentation.	(5)
3. What have you learned from doing this topic?	(5)
Total Marks (Maximum – 15 marks)	