



Coimisiún na Scrúduithe Stáit State Examinations Commission

Leaving Certificate Applied 2008

Sign Language (100 Marks)

Examination Centre Stamp

Thursday, 5 June 2008

(Duration of Examination – 20 to 30 minutes approximately)

Directions to Examiner

Please enter Candidate's EXAMINATION NUMBER here.

There are two parts in this examination.

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

Part Two has 2 Sections – **A, B.**

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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)

Candidates 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.

Question	Mark
1a. What month is it now? 1b. What is the date tomorrow? 1c. What class are you in now?	(1)
2a. Where do you like to go for a holiday? 2b. What kind of job would you like to do? 2c. What kinds of TV programmes do you like to watch?	(1)
3a. Where is the Dublin Deaf Club located? 3b. Where is the Irish Deaf Society (IDS) located? 3c. Where is the National Association for the Deaf (NAD) located?	(1)
4a. What type of food do you not like to eat? 4b. What type of drink do you not like to drink? 4c. What type of fruit do you not like?	(1)
5a. Where can you buy a cheese burger and chips? 5b. Where do you like to go when you go out to eat? 5c. Where can you go to buy a cold drink?	(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. Name four different technical supports specifically for Deaf people. 6b. Name any four Deaf organizations in Ireland. 6c. Name any four sports events that Deaf people are involved in.	(4)
7a. Describe the job of a teacher. 7b. Describe the job of a Doctor. 7c. Describe the job of a bus driver.	(4)
8a. How do Deaf people attain full access to TV programmes? 8b. What are four methods that Deaf people use to communicate with hearing people? 8c. Explain what the difference is between ISL and ‘Oral’ communication.	(4)
9a. Describe how you would make a bank lodgement? 9b. Describe how to open a bank account. 9c. Describe how you make a Credit Union repayment.	(4)
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. Do you think all hearing students in the LCA programme should learn ISL? Why or why not? 10b. Do you think Deaf people should learn both ISL and receive ‘Oral’ training; or learn just one or the other; or learn only ‘Oral’ training? Explain your answer. 10c. Do you think all teachers working in the schools for Deaf children should be required to learn ISL? Why or why not?	(6)
11a. Do you think there are communication barriers between the Deaf and Hearing communities. Explain your answer. 11b. If a Deaf person wants to go to third level education, how is access achieved? 11c. Who should be responsible for providing an interpreting service? Explain why?	(6)
12a. Can you explain what is meant by the term ‘Deaf culture’? 12b. Do you think that ISL teaching is a difficult or easy job? Explain your answer. 12c. Do you think an interpreter’s job is easy or difficult? Explain your answer.	(7)
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. Do you think that Deaf people generally have good jobs – that is, skilled jobs, in high status professions?
Present a report based on your research.
 2. Who are members of the Deaf community?
Make a presentation outlining the membership.
 3. Describe the work of the Irish Deaf Society or of the National Association for the Deaf.
 4. Describe the most important differences between the signing of younger and older Deaf people.

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 preparing this topic?	(5)
Total Marks (Maximum – 15 marks)	