



Coimisiún na Scrúduithe Stáit State Examinations Commission

Leaving Certificate Applied 2010

Sign Language (100 Marks)

Examination Centre Stamp

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Thursday, 10 June 2010

(Duration of Examination – 20 to 30 minutes approximately)

Directions to Examiner

Please enter Candidate's EXAMINATION NUMBER here.

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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 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 time do your classes start at school? 1b. What time do your classes finish at school? 1c. What time is your lunch break at school?	(1)
2a. Fingerspell the name of your school (in full). 2b. Fingerspell the name of your Maths teacher. 2c. Fingerspell the name of the place or area where you live.	(1)
3a. How many brothers or sisters do you have? 3b. How many people are in your immediate family? 3c. How old were you when you became Deaf?	(1)
4a. What is the weather like today? 4b. What was the weather like yesterday? 4c. What was the weather like over the Christmas period 2009?	(1)
5a. What type of job would you like to do when you leave school? 5b. What type of job would you not like to do when you leave school? 5c. Which subject do you not like studying?	(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 do Deaf people do differently from hearing people when ordering food or drink in a restaurant? Describe your answer. 6b. What is your favourite fast food meal? 6c. If you were ordering a Chinese take-away, what meal would you order?	(4)
7a. Explain/sign how you would make repayments on a bank loan you took out. 7b. How would you make a withdrawal from a bank? 7c. Explain/sign how you would open a new Post Office account.	(4)
8a. If you won a holiday voucher for €1000 – where would you like to go to? 8b. If you were going on a skiing holiday, describe the type of clothes you would need to bring with you. 8c. Describe what you are/are not allowed to bring onto an aeroplane.	(4)
9a. Name any four technical aids used by Deaf people. 9b. Name any four Irish Deaf organizations. 9c. Name any four modes of communication used by Deaf people with hearing people.	(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 Deaf people experience difficulties in their everyday lives because of their deafness? Explain/sign why or why not. 10b. Do you think Deaf people find it difficult to get a job? Explain/sign why or why not. 10c. Explain/sign the difficulties Deaf people may experience during job interviews.	(6)
11a. Explain/sign what your experience of the Leaving Certificate Applied has been like up to now. 11b. Explain/sign what difference there is between Irish Sign Language (ISL) and spoken English. 11c. Explain/sign what the differences are between Deaf and non-deaf (hearing) jokes.	(6)
12a. Explain/sign what is the difference between profoundly Deaf and partially Deaf? 12b. Explain/sign about what services you think should be provided by the State for a Deaf person from a Human Rights point of view. 12c. What is the role of an Irish Sign Language interpreter?	(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. Sign a brief history of the organization, The World Federation of the Deaf (WFD). Explain its aims and objectives.
 2. Are Deaf people disabled?
 3. ‘Global Warming’ – How do you feel it will effect the world environment in the future?
 4. Barack Obama was elected President of the United States of America in 2008. Please sign about your thoughts regarding his election.

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