



Coimisiún na Scrúduithe Stáit State Examinations Commission

Leaving Certificate Applied 2016

Sign Language (100 Marks)

Examination Centre Stamp

Thursday, 9 June 2016

(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 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. Where were you born? 1b. In what year were you born? 1c. In what month is your birthday?	(1)
2a. Fingerspell DOCTOR 2b. Fingerspell TEACHER 2c. Fingerspell GARDA	(1)
3a. At what time in the morning does your school start? 3b. At what time do you usually get up to go to school? 3c. At what time do you usually go to bed during the school term?	(1)
4a. During what month do the Leaving Certificate written exams take place? 4b. In which month do we celebrate Christmas? 4c. In which month is St. Valentine's Day?	(1)
5a. Name your favourite film star. 5b. Name your favourite sports person. 5c. Name your favourite celebrity.	(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. Do you enjoy shopping? Explain your answer.	
6b. If you had €200 to spend on clothes, what would you buy? Explain your answer.	(4)
6c. If you had €200 to spend on anything, what would you buy? Explain your answer.	
7a. Describe the food and drink you would serve at a family occasion.	
7b. Describe the food and drink you most enjoy in a restaurant.	(4)
7c. Describe the take-away food you most enjoy.	
8a. Give directions from here to the Principal's office.	
8b. Give directions from here to the front entrance of the school.	(4)
8c. Give directions from here to the school-yard.	
9a. What is your favourite after-school activity? Explain your answer.	
9b. What is your favourite subject? Explain your answer.	(4)
9c. What is your least favourite subject? Explain your answer.	
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. Discuss two advantages and two disadvantages of attending either a mixed school or a single sex school.	
10b. Discuss two advantages and two disadvantages of attending either a Deaf school or a main stream school.	(6)
10c. Discuss two advantages and two disadvantages of using bilingualism in any school with Deaf students.	
11a. What is the Irish Deaf community? Explain your answer.	
11b. What is Irish Sign Language and who uses it?	(6)
11c. What is International sign language and where is it used?	
12a. Give your views on ISL Vlogs.	
12b. Give your views on Irish TV subtitling.	(7)
12c. Give your views on whether technology has improved life for Irish Deaf people.	
Total Marks (Maximum – 19 marks)	

PART TWO – PRESENTATION – (60 MARKS)

Section A: (40 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 8 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. Make a presentation about the refugee crisis facing Europe.
In your presentation you should outline where the refugees come from, why they are leaving their own countries and give your opinion on how you think people in Ireland should respond to the situation.
2. Make a presentation about the 100th year anniversary of the 1916 Easter Rising that occurs in 2016. In your presentation you should outline the main events that took place in 1916 and give your opinion about how this historical event should be commemorated.
3. Make a presentation about the impact of technology and social media on the Deaf community and on Deaf individuals. In your presentation you should identify two developments in technology and social media and give your opinion on the impact these developments have had on the Deaf community and Deaf individuals
4. Make a presentation about a person, past or present, who you feel has made a significant contribution to the Irish Deaf community.
In your presentation you should provide some background information about your chosen person and explain why you think he or she has made a valuable contribution to the Irish Deaf community.

Section A: (40 marks)

Category	Marks 1 - 2	Marks 3 - 4	Marks 5 - 6	Marks 7 - 8	Marks 9 - 10
Grammatical Control					
Vocabulary					
Phonology					
Fluency					
Total Marks (Maximum 40 marks)					

Section B: Questions (20 marks)

1. Content of presentation, including evidence of research and personal reflection.	14 Marks	
2. Response to questions relevant to the project.	6 Marks	
Total Marks (Maximum 20 marks)		