



Coimisiún na Scrúduithe Stáit State Examinations Commission

Leaving Certificate Applied, 2009

Social Education

(100 marks)

Wednesday, 3 June 2009

Afternoon, 2.00 pm to 4.00 pm

General Directions

1. Write your EXAMINATION NUMBER in this space:

2. WRITE ALL ANSWERS INTO THIS ANSWER BOOK.

THERE ARE THREE SECTIONS IN THIS EXAMINATION:

Section A: **Aural**

All questions must be answered.

Section B: **Short Answer**

Candidates must answer 10 questions.

Section C: **Long Answer**

There are **four** questions, Question C1, Question C2, Question C3, and Question C4. Candidates must answer **Question C1** and any **two** other questions.

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	2. Aggregate total of all disallowed questions.	
	3. Total mark awarded (1 minus 2).	
	4. Bonus mark for answering through Irish.	
	5. Total mark awarded if Irish Bonus (3 + 4).	
	6. Credit.	
Note: The mark in row 3 must equal the mark in the Total box on the script.		

Section A - Aural test

(35 marks)

You will hear a recording of a report.
There are **two** parts to this report.

- 1st playing: You will hear the entire report.
- 2nd playing: You will hear only Part 1. You will be given time to answer questions 1 to 5.
- 3rd playing: You will hear only Part 2. You will be given time to answer questions 6 to 9.
- 4th playing: You will hear the entire report. You should then answer question 10 which will be spoken on the recording.

<i>This space may be used for notes.</i>

ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS

When you have heard Part 1 for the second time, you will have time to answer questions 1 to 5. Your answers should be based on the information given on the recording.

1. (a) What age was Jason when he first smoked cannabis? (1 mark)

(b) State **two** reasons why Jason first smoked cannabis. (2 marks)

1. _____

2. _____

2. (a) How did smoking cannabis make Jason feel in the beginning? (2 marks)

(b) Did smoking cannabis make his troubles go away? Yes No (2 marks)

Explain: _____

3. (a) According to Jason, how did smoking cannabis negatively affect him in school? (2 marks)

1. _____

2. _____

(b) List **two** things that teachers complained about. (2 marks)

1. _____

2. _____

4. (a) What caused tension and arguments at home? (2 marks)

(b) What does Jason believe saved him? (2 marks)

5. List **two** services provided by the Community Drugs Service. (2 marks)

1. _____

2. _____

When you have heard Part 2 for the second time, you will have time to answer questions 6 to 9. Your answers should be based on the information given on the recording.

6. (a) What is Sandra Costello's job title? (1 mark)

(b) According to Sandra, what myth exists about cannabis? (1 mark)

(c) What does Sandra Costello say about experimentation with substances? (2 marks)

7. (a) According to the research, how is smoking cannabis more harmful than smoking tobacco? (2 marks)

(b) What type of illness can be triggered by the long-term use of cannabis? (1 mark)

(c) Who is most at risk of developing these illnesses? (1 mark)

8. Young people who smoke cannabis are vulnerable to many problems. List **three**. (3 marks)

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

9. Outline **three** pieces of information contained in the report from the Health Research Board. (3 marks)

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

When you have heard the recording for the third time, answer question 10 which will be spoken on the recording. Your answers may be based on the information given on the recording and/or your own knowledge.

10. This question will be read out on the recording. (4 marks)

This space may be used to write the question.

Please answer in the space below.

1. _____

2. _____

Section B – Multiple Choice Questions

(20 Marks)

YOU MUST ATTEMPT 10 OF THE 15 QUESTIONS

Each question carries 2 marks.

Tick ✓ the correct box in each question.

1. The 2012 Olympics will be held in



Paris



New York



London

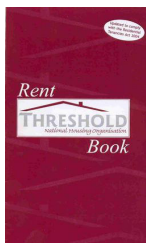
2. The budget is presented each year on behalf of the government by the

Minister for Finance

Minister for Enterprise Trade and Employment

Minister for Communications Energy and National Resources

3. A landlord can seize a tenant's goods as a means of getting payment of rent.



True False

4. People can reduce the risk of getting Sexually Transmitted Infections (STIs) by

taking antibiotics

having hot baths

using condoms

5. This logo represents the



The Credit Union

Goal

The United Nations

6. The Irish electorate voted to accept the Lisbon Treaty in 2007.

True False

7. In map reading a *legend* is

a list of keys describing features on the ground

a guide for working out distances between places on the map

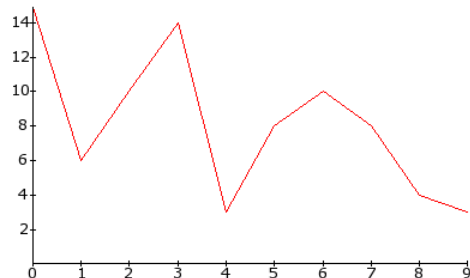
a folklore tale about the region

8. The maximum sentence that can be given for a single offence in a District Court is



6 months 12 months 18 months

9. This diagram is an example of which type of chart?



Bar Chart Pie Chart Line Chart

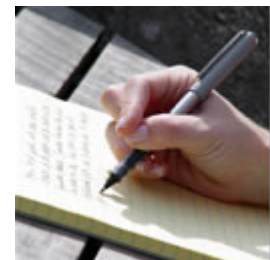
10. Which of the following is the best method of collecting data on an issue from a large group?



Interview



Computer Search Engine



Survey

11. In banking the term APR stands for

Annual Profit Ratio Annual Percentage Rate Average Premium Rate

12. The letters NGO stand for

Non-Governmental Organisation

Northern Government Official

National Geographic Organisation

13. The standard length of a pregnancy is



38 weeks

40 weeks

42 weeks

14. The safe alcohol consumption limit for women is 21 units of alcohol per week.

True

False

15. The first female president of Ireland was



Mary McAleese



Countess Markievicz



Mary Robinson

ATTEMPT THREE QUESTIONS.

You **must** answer **Question C1** and any **two** questions from C2, C3 and C4.

Question C1: Social and Health Education (15 marks)

1. **Letter to the Editor**

<p>Dear Sir, According to recent reports there has been an increase of almost 50% in public order offences in some parts of the city. This is a disturbing reality particularly when we must assume that there is a similar trend countrywide. There is no doubt that alcohol is a major contributory factor to these offences especially at weekends. With the current downturn in the economy my greatest fear is that the government will cut back on funding to tackle the chronic alcohol problem which exists in our society.</p>	<p>The evidence from reports and studies indicates that there is generally an increase in alcohol related problems in periods of economic downturn. Due to the large tax income from the sale of alcohol there may be a temptation to ignore the dangerous implications and side effects for those affected by alcohol abuse. Each year alcohol related problems are costing Irish society in the region of €3 billion per year. It would be impossible to calculate the cost of the emotional and psychological damage!</p>	<p>Within the education system there is a need to introduce programmes in schools that teach about healthy lifestyles, that consistently encourage low volume drinking and non-drinking of alcohol and that promote self-confidence and self-esteem. In the wider community there is a need to strictly enforce controlled access to alcohol and to punish those who break these laws. Patsy Murphy City Quarter New Quay</p>
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Does alcohol consumption increase or decrease during periods of economic downturn?

Increase Decrease (tick ✓ your choice)

What, in your opinion, is the reason for this? (2 marks)

2. (a) Other than public order offences, describe **two** ways that alcohol related problems are a significant cost to Irish society. (2 marks)

1. _____

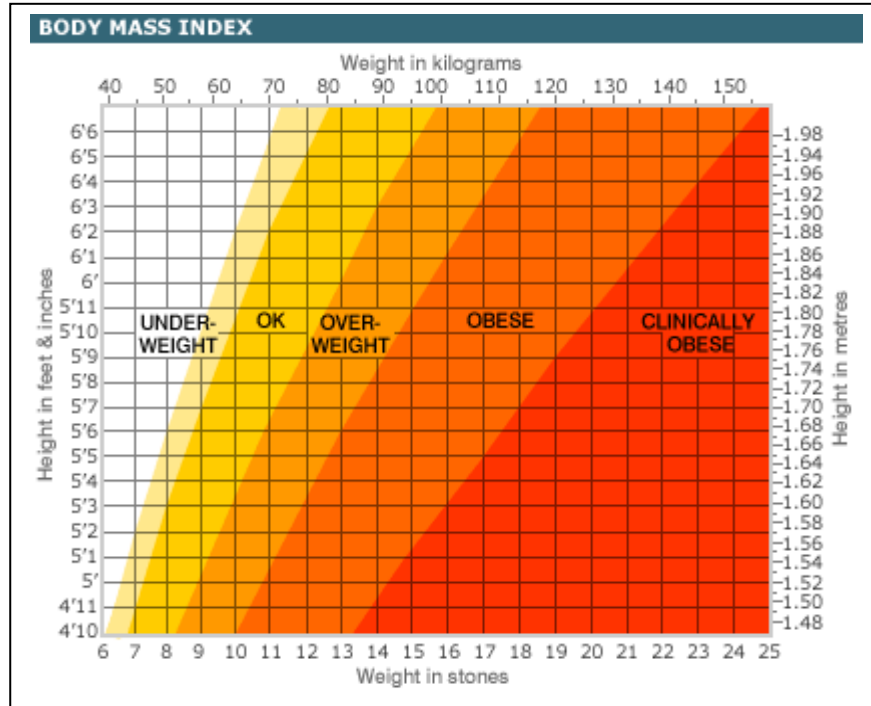
2. _____

(b) List **two** actions being taken by the government to regulate the sale of alcohol and/or promote responsible drinking. (2 marks)

1. _____

2. _____

3.



(a) According to this Body Mass Index chart, what weight will a person, who is 5 feet 5 inches (1.65 meters) in height, need to be in order to be deemed (2 marks)

Obese: _____ Clinically Obese: _____

(b) **Obesity – A growing threat to our children and our economy**

It is estimated that one in five children (20%) is overweight and one in ten (10%) is obese! Overweight and obese children are very likely to become obese adults. However, they have a better chance of becoming healthy weight adults if the problem is recognised and treated in childhood. Obesity has trebled since the 1980's and places a very serious burden on the health services. Overweight and obese children have a higher risk of developing serious health problems in later life. Obesity can decrease a person's lifespan by nine years! Research suggests that the main reason for the growing obesity epidemic is a combination of lack of activity and eating too much high calorie foods.

'Overweight and obese children have a higher risk of developing serious health problems in later life'. Describe **two** serious health problems which over-weight/obese children may face as adults. (2 marks)

1. _____

2. _____

4. Outline **two** lifestyle changes that the parents of obese children should make to ensure the physical good health of their children. (2 marks)

1. _____

2. _____

5.

'The most important thing she'd learned over the years was that there was no way to be a perfect mother and a million ways to be a good one'. - Jill Churchill

Parenting is the most challenging and rewarding job a person can do. Explain how parents can help to develop the social, intellectual and emotional well-being of their children. (3 marks)

Social: _____

Intellectual: _____

Emotional: _____

YOU MUST ANSWER **TWO** QUESTIONS FROM THE FOLLOWING THREE QUESTIONS

Question C2: My Community (15 marks)

1. ***The County and Town Express – Parish Notes***

<p>Fifty people gathered at the local community hall to organise a campaign to have a playground built in their community. Mary O’Mahony, a mother of three children, said that she is terrified that her children will get injured in the park as it has become a dumping ground for bottles, cans and cigarette butts from late night parties. She also pointed out that the surface is uneven and dangerous. “All I want is a safe and stimulating place for</p>	<p>my children to play in and I would like to see this happen before my children are teenagers”, she said. Mrs. Brid Crowley, the organiser of the meeting, stated that despite the allocation of grants to local authorities in 2004 for the specific provision of playgrounds nothing has been provided in the area. She stated that the government only provided €2 million for the entire country and that this was around</p>	<p>the amount that an average golf club spends annually on the upkeep of their clubhouse and course. Councillor Barrett highlighted the fact that the playground grant scheme is still in place and that groups may apply for a grant accompanied by a proposal. He said that “as a community it is our job to take action to ensure a safe play environment for our children now and in the future.”</p>
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(a) Why is the park an unsuitable place for children to play? (1 mark)

(b) Do you think Mrs. Crowley is happy with the government? Explain your answer. (2 marks)

(c) The government grant scheme requires each community to make a proposal for a playground in their area. Why is this a good idea? (2 marks)

2. List **two** actions that this community should now take to pursue getting a playground. (2 marks)

1. _____

2. _____

3. (a) Many local areas have few recreational facilities for teenagers.

Agree

Disagree

(tick ✓ your choice)

(1 mark)

Explain: _____

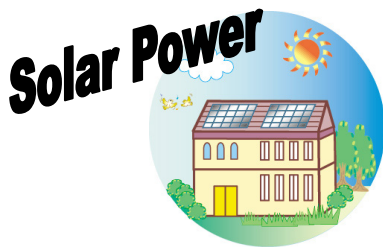
(b) Name **two** facilities provided by your local authority for teenagers in your area or county.

(2 marks)

1. _____

2. _____

4.



Using renewable energy such as solar and wind power can help to deal with the energy crisis.


Outline **two** other ways that members of your community could deal positively with the energy crisis.

(2 marks)

1. _____

2. _____

5.

 discoverireland.com <i>Your official guide to the island of Ireland</i>	This is the official website of Tourism Ireland. It markets Ireland as a holiday destination.
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Describe **three** amenities in your locality which you would advertise on discoverireland.com to encourage tourists to visit your area.

(3 marks)

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

Question C3: Contemporary Issues (15 marks)

1. (a) What type of discrimination is being highlighted in the cartoon? (1 mark)



(b) The Equality Employment Act (1998) prohibits discrimination on eight other grounds. Name **two**. (2 marks)

- 1. _____
- 2. _____

2. **"All that is necessary for evil to triumph is for good men to do nothing." Edmund Burke**

Describe **two** things that 'good men' and women could do to fight against discrimination and injustice. (2 marks)

- 1. _____
- _____
- 2. _____
- _____

3. Name a Contemporary Issue you have studied _____

(a) Name **one** organisation or agency that positively affects this issue. (1 mark)

(b) State **two** facts that you have learned about the issue. (2 marks)

- 1. _____
- 2. _____

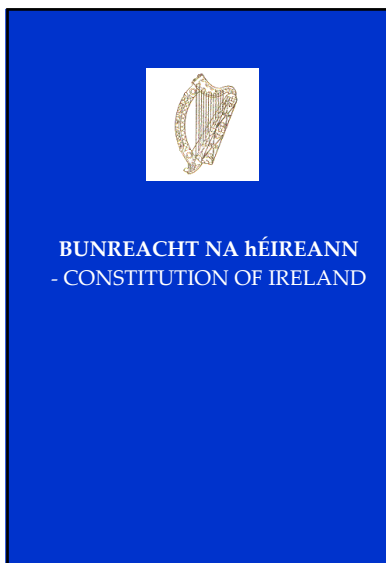
(c) Was this issue (2 marks)

Local National International (tick ✓ your choice)

Explain: _____

(d) What action did you take to positively affect this issue? (2 marks)

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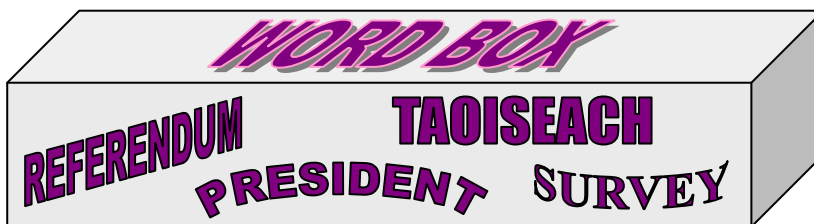


Article 6

1. All powers of government, legislative, executive and judicial, derive, under God, from the people, whose right it is to designate the rulers of the State and, in final appeal, to decide all questions of national policy, according to the requirements of the common good.

(a) According to Article 6, where does the Irish government get its powers? (1 mark)

(b) Complete the following sentences using the correct terms from the word box. (2 marks)



To change the constitution people must vote in a _____

Before a bill becomes law in Ireland it must be signed by the _____

Question C4: Taking Charge (15 marks)

1.

**Making ends meet...
Some golden rules...**

1. Always keep your receipts
2. Make a budget
3. Always open and look at your bills
4. When getting a loan shop around
5. Avoid getting a credit card

Select **two** of the above *golden rules* and explain why each is important. (2 marks)

Rule: _____

Why important: _____

Rule: _____

Why important: _____

2.

In today's financial climate it is no longer reasonable to say that any one financial institution provides the best range of services.

Select **one** of the financial institutions below. (tick ✓ your choice)

The Credit Union The Post Office The Bank

Outline **two** advantages for a young person of having an account with this institution. (4 marks)

1. _____

2. _____

3. Match each organisation to the explanation of its work by writing one of the letters A, B or C in each of the boxes provided. (3 marks)

MABS	
Focus Ireland	
Threshold	

- | |
|---|
| A Works to protect the rights of people-out-of-home |
| B Works to protect the rights of tenants to suitable housing |
| C Provides an advice service for people in debt |

4.

TO RENT
1-bed lux. apt.
Centrally located
G/F/C/H
All mod. cons
1 year lease

TO RENT
Bed-sit
First letting
Close to all
amenities
Shared bathroom
facilities

TO RENT
Single room in
a shared house
O.F.C.H.
10 mins. from
town

Study the advertisements for accommodation above and explain the terms listed. (4 marks)

1- bed lux. apt.: _____

1 year lease: _____

Close to all amenities: _____

O.F.C.H.: _____

5. Which of the above would you recommend to someone moving out of home for the first time? (tick ✓ your choice)

1- bed lux. apt. Bedsit Single room in a shared house

Outline **two** reasons for your choice. (2 marks)

1. _____

2. _____

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	C3	
	C4	
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