



Coimisiún na Scrúduithe Stáit
State Examinations Commission

LEAVING CERTIFICATE APPLIED

2009

MARKING SCHEME

SOCIAL EDUCATION

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.

On some questions the exemplar answers in the scheme are not exhaustive and alternative valid answers are acceptable.

Section A: Aural

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)

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

1. **Curious/friends trying it/didn't want to be the odd one out (2x1)**

2. **Wanted to be part of the group=1 unless didn't want to be... already used**

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

Enjoyed it/made him feel giddy/made him feel funny/part of the gang / forgot his troubles/troubles stopped hurting for a while (2x1) high/stoned=0

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

Explain: **Troubles stopped hurting for a while/ just forgot them while stoned**

Things got worst, he was dropping out of class=2. still getting into trouble =1

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

1. **Sometimes went back to school stoned/sometimes didn't bother to at all/**

2. **hard to concentrate / found it hard to remember things/got tired (2x1) causing him to fall behind/had no interest =1**

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

1. **He was careless with his schoolwork/paid little attention in class/**

2. **had dropped out of the school soccer team (2x1)**

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

He was regularly late coming home / constantly secretive /

lost interest in everything, even his appearance. (2x1)

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

He got caught by the gardai selling drugs = 2

Caught by the guards = 1

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

1. **Counselling**

2. **On-going support /group sessions/family support (2x1)**

Four different affects. Answer to (a) may apply to (b) Not vice versa.

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)

Family support worker Community Drug Service worker = 0

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

That cannabis is harmless

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

**Does not automatically/necessarily lead to regular drug use = 2
Some stop after trying it = 2 Some stop/people stop trying it = 0**

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

**Levels of tar and carbon monoxide are five times more damaging than
smoking tobacco/produces changes in the brain/may trigger schizophrenia or
other psychotic illnesses 5 times more harmful=1**

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

**Psychotic illness / mental illness / schizophrenia
Produces changes in the brain = 0**

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

**Someone from a family with a history of mental illness.
Someone who smokes cannabis/ constant smoker of cannabis = 0**

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

1. **Memory loss/difficulty with thinking/ difficulty with problem solving**

2. **Loss of co-ordination /anxiety/mental illness (3x1)**

3. _____

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

1. **The numbers of new cases seeking treatment for cannabis has risen (3x1)**

2. **Cannabis is the most widely used illegal drug in Ireland**

3. **Use highest amongst young adults / men reported higher prevalence of drug use
It is far more dangerous than people realise / users getting younger = 0**

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.

This space may be used to write the question.

Explain how young people might be encouraged to avoid experimenting with drugs.

Please answer in the space below.

(4 marks)

Explain:

1. **2 x different appropriate reasons – answers must be full for 2 marks**

Through education/visitors into class/visits out/role play/discussion/media/parents advising their children

2. **Two different suggestions.**

Cannot receive 2 unless reason for speaker is outlined or explained

If there were more things to do around the community /teach young people about avoiding peer pressure=2

Don't hang around with people who do drugs/avoid peer pressure/just say no to drugs = 1

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

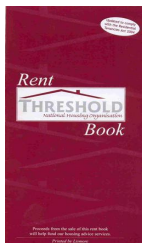
2. The budget is presented each year on behalf of the government by the

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

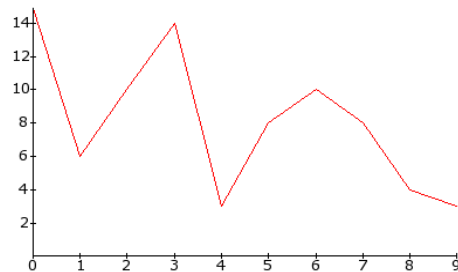
a folklore tale about the region

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



Mary Robinson



Countess Markievicz

Section C

(45 marks)

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 | | |
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| <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</p> | <p>our society. 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 affects 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</p> | <p>damage! 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> |

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)

Does not need to be from the letter.

Lack of hope/depression/boredom/nothing to do.

(a) Other than public order offences, describe **two** ways that alcohol related problems are a significant cost to Irish society. (2x1) (2 marks)

1. **Hospital /medical. Illness/disruption at A&E/gives the country a bad name**
Road accidents: directly or indirectly/financial costs for policing/crime

2. **Work- employment – missed time/not on top of the job/streets more dangerous**
family relationships /unwanted pregnancies/suicide/illness etc.

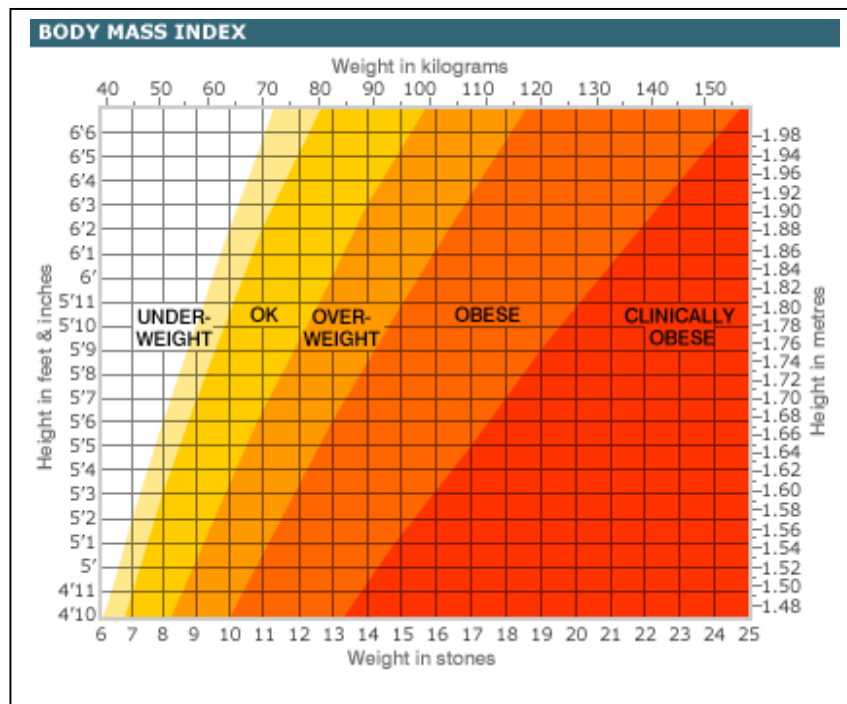
(b) List **two** actions being taken by the government to regulate the sale of alcohol and/or promote responsible drinking. (2 marks)

1. **Taxes/Laws eg. over 18/ID cards/alcohol free zones/fines/inspection of outlets**

Driving or breath tests campaigns/license to sell alcohol/controlled sale of alcohol/defined opening and closing times

2. **Advertising re responsible drinking/cut back on sports sponsorship (2x1)**

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: **From 12.5 st to 17st**
(78kgs – 107kgs)

Clinically Obese: **17st (107kg) +**

(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 these children may face as adults. (2 marks)

1. **Diabetes / heart disease / joint/back strain / high blood pressure /**

2. **cancer/gallstones/sleep apnea/gout** (2x1)

Die 9 years earlier/could die = 0

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. **Regular exercise/give good example/less stress at home**

Reduce intake of high calorie foods/avoid making mealtime stressful

2. **Walk /cycle to school**

Cook healthy foods/keep 'rubbish' to a minimum (2x1)

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: **Friends /love/security / send them to school /talk with them/join clubs**

Intellectual: **Read to them / challenging games/encourage problem solving/**

monitor television viewing

Emotional: **Love / security / praise/dependability** (3x1)

(Expect 3 different suggestions)

YOU MUST ANSWER TWO QUESTIONS FROM THE FOLLOWING THREE QUESTIONS

Question C2: My Community (15 marks)

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

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

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

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.'

- (a) Why is the park an unsuitable place for children to play? (1 mark)

**Bottles/cans/butts thrown around / surface dangerous / dumping ground
= 1 Their children will get injured/dangerous = 0**

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

No. Govt. not giving enough money/local govt. did nothing/golf clubs spend more on upkeep of club/she organised the meeting/nothing has been provided in the area

- (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)

Suited to area's needs/democratic/people will look after it if it comes from them/know what's needed/gives them ownership

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

1. **Meeting for suggestions/ask an architect to make a plan/research the web/find a suitable site/lobby politicians/petition to .../survey of...../ (2x1)**

2. _____

3. (a) Many local areas have few recreational facilities for teenagers.
 Agree Disagree (tick ✓ your choice) (1 mark)

Explain: Agree: Need money/clubs closed down/nowhere to hang out/no cinema

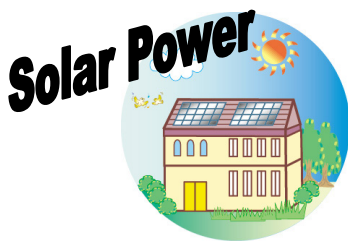
Disagree: bowling/swimming/youth clubs/skate parks/GAA. Any logical answer – needs to state why.

- (b) Name **two** facilities provided by your local authority for teenagers in your area or county. (2 marks)

1. Swimming pool/skateboard park/resource centre/youth club

2. /boxing club/library/parks/playgrounds/sports grounds/ (2x1)

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. Community wind farm /cut back on lighting/recycle more/provide a scheme for collecting grey water/walk more/cycle more/ provide a better public

2. transport service/improve insulation (2x1)

turn off the lights same as turn off the TV=1 point

5.



This is the official website of Tourism Ireland. It markets Ireland as a holiday destination.

Describe **three** amenities in your locality which you would advertise on discoverireland.com to encourage tourists to visit your area. (3 marks)

1. Activities/ restaurants/accommodation/historical sites/places of interest/

Jobs/special offers = 0 (not amenities) (3x1)

2. _____

3. _____

Question C3: Contemporary Issues (15 marks)

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



Against women/sexism/gender

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

1. **Race, religion, marital status, family status, age, disability**
2. **sexual orientation, member of Traveller Community (2x1)**

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. **Support the person/ do not join in/watch language and jokes/mix with everyone/sign petition/hold a march. (2x1)**
2. **Only one generic answer acceptable**

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 learned about the issue. (2 marks)

1. _____

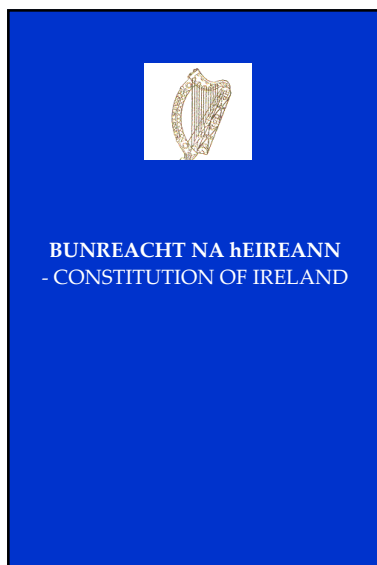
2. _____

4. (a) Was this issue (2 marks)
- Local National International (tick ✓ your choice)

Explain: **International – it happens all over the world = 1 Accept only for this question**

- (b) What action did you take to positively affect this issue. (2 marks)
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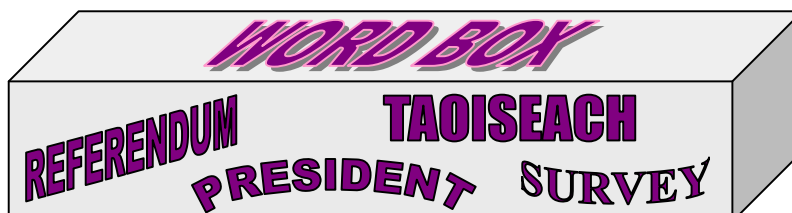
Article 6

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)

(Under God) from the people

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



To change the constitution people must vote in a **referendum**

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

Question C4: Taking Charge (15 marks)

1.



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

Rule: **Receipts: for exchange or refund/proof of purchase/charged correct price.**

Why important: **Budget: Control spending/live within your means/plan for the future/**

avoid debt

Rule: **Look at bills: to see if they are correct/keep up to date with payments/be aware of spending habits**

Why important: **Loan- shop around: rates and conditions differ**

Avoid credit card: too easy to get into debts/large service charge/high interest rates (2x1)

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 \surd 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. **C.U: community gains/more user friendly/loans/debit card/longer opening hours**

P.O: can have a debit card/open Sat.am / better opening hours/ in small towns & villages

2. **Bank: cheque book/loans/good ATM system/online banking/laser cards**

(2x2)

2. 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)

(3x1)

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| MABS | C |
| Focus Ireland | A |
| Threshold | B |

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| 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
Bedsit
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 bedroomed luxury apartment**

1 year lease: **Must pay rent for a year/rent agreement for one year**

Close to all amenities: **Near shops, schools etc**

O.F.C.H.: **Oil fired central heating** **(4 x 1)**

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. **1 bed. Lux apt + cheaper = 0**

Single room in a shared house + more company/cheaper = 1

2. **Apt/bed-sit + centrally located = 1**

(2x1)