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The paper was structured as follows:

25 marks for translating from Turkish into English

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15 marks for translating English sentences into Turkish with the correct grammar.

35 marks for writing an essay in Turkish relevant to the subject chosen from four titles in the following categories:

- Narrative
- Descriptive
- Imaginary

The format is very similar to other language papers and is the same format used by Edexcel in previous years. The major difference being that last year the candidates had the option of writing a letter but that was not an option this year.

This year the number of candidates were almost half of the previous year. Last year there were 650 candidates, a record for Turkish O Level. There were also fewer non-native candidates this year in comparison to previous years.

The level of difficulty in relation to the questions was very similar to previous years although, as in previous years, candidates found question one more difficult than question two, mainly because English is not their native tongue and so it proved much more difficult for them to communicate in English.

As always most candidates were more successful with questions three and four.

Overall, the quality of the candidates was very similar to the previous year and so grade boundaries have been maintained at the same levels.

Statistics

Grade	А	В	С	D	E
Lowest Mark for award of grade	70	55	41	36	30

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