## MARK SCHEME for the October/November 2006 question paper

## 3248 SECOND LANGUAGE URDU

3248
Paper 1 (Composition and Translation), maximum raw mark 55

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## Part 1: Directed Writing (15 marks)

The syllabus specifies that the candidates are to write an essay in Urdu of about 150 words. Examiners are to read up to 200 words and ignore any further writing.

If one bullet point is not covered at all, then the maximum mark for language is 7 .
Points to be written about:

- Reasons for increasing pollution
- Its effects on people and the earth
- Steps to reduce pollution

| Language (out of 9) |  | Content (out of 6) |  |
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| 8-9 | Very good <br> Confident use of complex sentence patterns, generally accurate, extensive vocabulary, good sense of idiom. | 5-6 | Very good <br> Detailed, clearly relevant and well illustrated; coherently argued and structured. |
| 6-7 | Good <br> Generally sound grasp of grammar in spite of quite a few lapses; reads reasonably; some attempt at varied vocabulary and sentence patterns. | 4 | Good <br> Sound knowledge and generally relevant; some ability to develop argument and draw conclusions. |
| 4-5 | Adequate <br> A tendency to be simple, clumsy or laboured; some degree of accuracy; inappropriate use of idiom. | 3 | Adequate <br> Some knowledge, but not always relevant; a more limited capacity to argue. |
| 2-3 | Poor <br> Consistently simple or pedestrian sentence patterns (basic sentence structure) with persistent errors; limited vocabulary. | 2 | Poor <br> Some attempt at argument, tends to be sketchy or unspecific; little attempt to structure an argument; major misunderstanding of question. |
| 0-1 | Very poor <br> Only the simplest sentence patterns, little evidence of grammatical awareness, very limited vocabulary. | 0-1 | Very poor <br> Vague and general, ideas presented at random. |


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Part 2: Letter, Report, Dialogue or Speech (20 marks)
The syllabus specifies that the candidates are to write about 200 words in Urdu.

| Language (out of 15) | Content (out of 5) |  |  |  |
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| 13-15 | Very good <br> Confident use of complex sentence patterns, <br> generally accurate, extensive vocabulary, good <br> sense of idiom. | Very good <br> Detailed, clearly relevant and well illustrated; <br> coherently argued and structured. |  |  |
| $\mathbf{1 0 - 1 2}$ | Good <br> Generally sound grasp of grammar in spite of <br> quite a few lapses; reads reasonably; some <br> attempt at varied vocabulary and sentence <br> patterns. | $\mathbf{4}$ | Good <br> Sound knowledge and generally relevant; some <br> ability to develop argument and draw <br> conclusions. |  |
| $\mathbf{7 - 9}$ | Adequate <br> A tendency to be simple, clumsy or laboured; <br> some degree of accuracy; inappropriate use of <br> idiom. | $\mathbf{3}$ | Adequate <br> Some knowledge, but not always relevant; a <br> more limited capacity to argue. |  |
| $\mathbf{4 - 6}$ | Poor <br> Consistently simple or pedestrian sentence <br> patterns (basic sentence structure) with <br> persistent errors; limited vocabulary. | $\mathbf{2}$ | Poor <br> Some attempt at argument, tends to be sketchy <br> or unspecific; little attempt to structure an <br> argument; major misunderstanding of question. |  |
| $\mathbf{0 - 3}$ | Very poor <br> Only the simplest sentence patterns, little <br> evidence of grammatical awareness, very limited <br> vocabulary. | $\mathbf{0 - 1}$ | Very poor <br> Vague and general, ideas presented at random. |  |


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## Part 3

## units

7 as it struggled

8 to force its body

9 through the little hole
its wings would expand

## accept

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## units

23
to support its body.

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but in fact nothing more happened.

The butterfly spent
the rest of its life
crawling around
and could not fly
What Khalid in his kindness and haste
did not understand
was that the struggle required
for the butterfly to get through
the tiny opening was essential
It was God's way of forcing
blood from the body to the butterfly
into its wings
and enabling it to fly

Sometimes the struggles
that we face in out life
allow us to grow.


