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WEDNESDAY, 28 MAY
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GAELIC (LEARNERS)
STANDARD GRADE
General Level
Reading

Fill in these boxes and read what is printed below.

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Do not open this paper until you are told to do so.

When you are told to open the paper, read carefully the English introduction at the beginning, and then work through the paper, starting at Question 1.

When you think you know what to write for each item, write your answer **in English** in the space provided after the item. (You are not expected to fill all the spaces.)

Where boxes like this are provided, put a tick (✓) in the box beside the answer you think is correct.

You may use a Gaelic dictionary.

You must write any rough work in this paper.

Before leaving the examination room you must give this book to the invigilator. If you do not, you may lose all the marks for this paper.

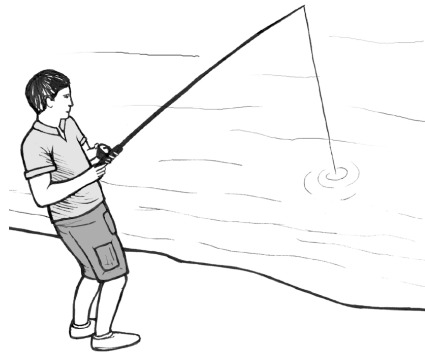


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A group of fourth year pupils write about their favourite activities.

1. Iain writes about his favourite activity.

Is toigh leam iasgach. Thòisich mi ag iasgach nuair a bha mi sia bliadhna a dh'aois. Bidh mi a' dol a-mach a dh'iasgach air bàta còmhla ri mo sheanair. 'S e bàta mòr, dearg a th' aige. Is toigh leam a bhith ag iasgach aig muir agus air loch. Bidh mo bhràthair beag a' tighinn còmhla rinn uaireannan.



(a) How old was Iain when he started fishing?

1

(b) Who does he go fishing with?

1

(c) What does the boat look like?

2

(d) Where does Iain like to fish?

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2. Caroline tells what she does.

Bidh mi ag obair air tuathanas. Tha crodh agus caoraich againn agus tha m' athair uabhasach trang. Bidh mo mhàthair a' cuideachadh aig na saor-làithean.

Is fheàrr leam a bhith a' fuireach air an dùthaich oir tha i nas brèagha nam baile mòr.



(a) Where does Caroline work?

1

(b) What kind of animals do they have?

2

(c) What does she write about her father? Give a **detailed** answer.

2

(d) What does she write about her mother? Give a **detailed** answer.

2

(e) Why does she prefer living in the countryside?

2

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3. Christopher writes about his favourite hobby.



Tha seòladh a' còrdadh rium. Thòisich mi a' seòladh o chionn bliadhna. Bha mi a' seòladh anns an t-samhradh còmhla ri Anndra, mo cho-ogha. Is toigh leam a bhith a' seòladh nuair a tha gaoth ann. Bu toigh leam bàta ùr, luath fhaighinn aon latha.

(a) What is Christopher's opinion of sailing?

1

(b) When did he start sailing?

2

(c) Who is Anndra?

2

(d) What kind of weather does he like sailing in?

1

(e) What kind of boat would Christopher like to have one day?

2

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4. Anna writes about the activity she prefers.

'S fheàrr leamsa marcachd. Chan eil each agam ach bidh mi a' dol gu stàball faisg air an taigh againn. Is toigh leam an t-each. Tha e àrd agus donn agus tha a nàdar còir. Tha marcachd a' cosg ochd notaichean airson uair a thìde. Is e cur-seachad daor a th' ann ach tha e sgoinneil.



- (a) What does Anna enjoy doing?

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- (b) Where does she go to do this?

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- (c) Describe the animal **in detail**.

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- (d) In the last sentence, what does she say about this hobby?

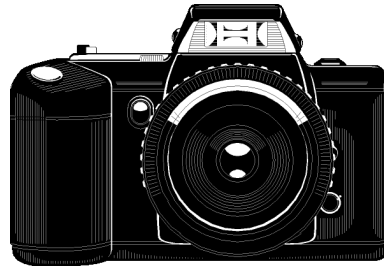
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5. Amanda writes about her favourite pastime, photography.

'S e togail dhealbhan an cur-seachad agam. Thòisich mi aig àm na Nollaige an-uiridh. Tha dà chamara agam. Fhuair mi camara didseatach bho mo bhràthair mòr. Is toigh leam a bhith a' togail dhealbhan de mo theaghlach. Tha e furasta a bhith a' togail dhealbhan de mo phiuthar as òige oir tha i cho laghach agus cho èibhinn. Tha mi an dòchas na dealbhan agam fhaicinn ann an iris ainmeil aon latha.



- (a) When did Amanda start taking photographs?

2

- (b) Who did she get a digital camera from?

2

- (c) (i) Who does she say is easy to photograph?

2

- (ii) Why is this?

2

- (d) Where does she hope to see her photographs one day?

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6. Here are some reasons the pupils gave for having hobbies. Match the Gaelic with the English. One has been done for you.

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| 1. Tha e math dhut. | a) I make new friends. |
| 2. Tha e inntinneach. | b) I have lots of fun. |
| 3. Bidh mi ag ionnsachadh. | c) I like exercise. |
| 4. Tha mòran spòrs agam. | d) It is interesting. |
| 5. 'S toigh leam eacarsaich. | e) I keep healthy. |
| 6. Is toigh leam a bhith a-muigh. | f) It is good for you. |
| 7. Bidh mi a' cumail fallain. | g) I like being outside. |
| 8. Bidh mi a' dèanamh caraidean ùra. | h) I am learning. |

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