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FRIDAY, 30 MAY
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GAELIC (LEARNERS)
INTERMEDIATE 2
Section B(i): Reading
Section B(ii): Writing

Do not open this paper until told to do so.

Fill in these boxes and read what is printed below.

Full name of centre

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Town

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Forename(s)

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Surname

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Date of birth

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Section B(i) Reading

Read carefully the English introduction.

Write your answer **in English** after each question.

Section B(ii) Writing

A separate answer booklet will be provided for this section.

Please allow enough time to answer both sections.

You may use a Gaelic dictionary.



Section B(i): Reading

Recommended time: 30 minutes

Marks

Pupils are discussing their summer holidays.

1. Helen tells about her holiday in Islay.

Chaidh mi fhèin agus mo theaghlach a dh'Ìle. Dh'fhuirich sinn còmhla ri mo sheanair. Bha mo phàrantan ann airson seachdain ach dh'fhuirich mise airson cola-deug uile gu lèir.

Tha mo sheanair a' fuireach air tuathanas beag agus tha caoraich agus cearcan aige. Thug mi biadh dha na cearcan agus bainne dha na h-uain a h-uile latha.

'S e eilean brèagha a th' ann an Ìle oir tha beanntan mòra agus tràighean eireachdail ann. Tha e a' còrdadh ri luchd-turais cuideachd. Bha tòrr luchd-turais air an eilean as t-samhradh.

- (a) Who did she stay with?

1

- (b) (i) How long did Helen's parents stay?

1

- (ii) How long did Helen stay?

1

- (c) Name **one** thing Helen used to do on the farm every day.

2

- (d) Give **one** reason she thinks Islay is a beautiful island?

2

- (e) Who else enjoys coming to Islay?

1

Marks

2. George tells his friends about where he went.

Chaidh mise dhan Eadailt airson seachdain, còmhla ri mo phàrantan agus mo bhràthair. Dh'èirich sinn tràth an latha a dh'fhalbh sinn oir bha am plèan a' fàgail port-adhair Obar Dheathain aig cairteal gu sia.

Bha sinn a' fuireach ann an taigh-òsta spaideil anns an Ròimh, prìomh bhaile na h-Eadailt. Bha an t-side grianach fad na seachdain ach bha an t-uisge ann Diardaoin.

Aon latha, shuidh sinn a-muigh aig cafaidh snog a' gabhail biadh. Latha eile, chunnaic sinn geama ball-coise agus bha sin inntinneach.

Chòrd na làithean-saora rium gu mòr. Chòrd na daoine, am biadh agus na seallaidhean rium.

- (a) Where did George go on holiday?

1

- (b) Who went with him?

2

- (c) (i) Where **exactly** were they leaving from?

2

- (ii) What time were they leaving?

1

- (d) Describe **in detail** what the weather was like during the holiday.

4

- (e) What does he say about the football match they watched?

1

- (f) Name **two** things he particularly enjoyed about the holiday.

2

Marks

3. Murdo describes his holiday.

Bha mise ann an Inbhir Nis. Chaidh mi ann leam fhèin. Bidh mi a' dol ann gu math tric, co-dhiù, oir tha mo cho-ogha Seumas na oileanach an-sin.

Chaidh mi ann air a' bhus. Cha do chòrd an turas rium idir oir bha am bus trang agus bha e mì-chofhurtail cuideachd.

Tha na bùthan ann an Inbhir Nis sgoinneil agus fhuair mi tòrr rudan. Cheannaich mi brògan-spòrs, briogais dhubh, fòn-làimhe agus cluicheadair MP3. Chan eil mòran airgid agam a-nis!

Aon oidhche, chaidh sinn dhan taigh-dhealbh. Chunnaic sinn film èibhinn. Dh'ith mi pacaid mhòr popcorn. Bha e blasta, ach milis.

(a) Why does Murdo often go to Inverness? Give a **detailed** answer.

3

(b) Why did he not enjoy the bus journey?

2

(c) What does he think of the shops in Inverness?

1

(d) Write down **two** things he bought? Give a **detailed** answer.

2

(e) What type of film did he see at the cinema?

1

(f) What does he say about the popcorn?

2

Marks

4. Finally, Kate tells about her holiday.

Cha deach mise a dh'àite sam bith aig na làithean-saora. Bha piuthar mo mhàthar, Mairead, a' fuireach còmhla ris an teaghlach agam anns an Eilean Sgitheanach airson mìos. Tha i a' fuireach ann an New York anns na Stàitean Aonaichte a-nis. Bha i glè sgith nuair a ràinig i oir bha i air a' phlèan airson ochd uairean a thide.

Tha Mairead ag obair ann an oifis ann an togalach àrd. Thuir i gu bheil New York tòrr nas motha agus nas trainge na bailtean na h-Alba. 'S toigh leatha a bhith a' fuireach ann an New York ach uaireannan bidh i ag ionndrainn Alba.

Bha mi a' sreap nam beann còmhla rithe nuair a bha i an seo agus chòrd seo rinn gu mòr. Chan urrainn dhi seo a dhèanamh ann an New York!

- (a) Who stayed with Kate's family?

1

- (b) How did Mairead feel when she arrived? Give a **detailed** answer.

2

- (c) According to Mairead, how does New York compare to Scottish cities? Give a **detailed** answer.

3

- (d) What did Mairead do when she was in Skye?

2

(40)

[END OF SECTION B(i)—READING]

[Turn over

Choose ONE from the following six questions.

Write your answer, in Gaelic, in the separate answer booklet provided.

You must write in sentences.

Marks

EITHER

Saor-làithean/Holidays

1. You are on holiday with your family. Write a blog/diary entry about it.

You **may** include the following points:

- Where you are
- Who is with you
- What you have been doing
- What the weather is like
- What you plan to do next
- Any other information

(40)

OR

2. Write a report for your school magazine about a holiday you have been on.

You **may** include the following points:

- Where you went
- When you went there
- Who went with you
- What there is to see and do
- Where you want to go on holiday next
- Any other information

(40)

OR

Na Meadhanan/The Media

3. Write a review of a concert you were at.

You **may** include the following points:

- Who was performing and where
- How you travelled
- Who was with you
- Whether you enjoyed it or not
- Whether you will go to their next concert
- Any other information

(40)

OR

4. **You have been asked to talk on a Gaelic programme about your MP3 player. Write what you will say about it.**

You **may** include the following points:

- What it looks like
- What kind of music you have on it
- How long you have had it
- How much it cost
- What you like/dislike about it
- Any other information

(40)

OR

Spòrs agus Cur-seachadan/Sports and Pastimes

5. **You recently spent an afternoon watching your favourite sport. Write about your afternoon.**

You **may** include the following points:

- What sport you watched
- How much it cost to get in
- Who was with you
- Why you like this sport
- Whether you take part in this sport
- Any other information

(40)

OR

6. **Write about your favourite pastime.**

You **may** include the following points:

- What your favourite pastime is
- When and why you started it
- Where you do it and how much it costs
- Whether you do this alone or with friends
- Why you like it so much
- Any other information

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[END OF SECTION B(ii)—WRITING]

[END OF QUESTION PAPER]

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Candidate Name	
Candidate Number	
Section A	Listening / 40
Section B(i)	Reading / 40
B(ii)	Writing / 40
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