



2011 Gaelic (Learners)

Higher – Listening

Finalised Marking Instructions

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Section A: Listening

Part 1

- 1** What is difficult for many people, according to the speaker? **2**
- What they will do/after they leave school
- 2** Which year as a school pupil does the speaker recall? **1**
- His fifth year
- 3** Which **two** careers did he consider? **2**
- An architect
 - A technical (technology) teacher (no mark for “teacher ”only)
- 4** Give **three** of his thoughts regarding his first choice. **3**
- He would get into university (1) for an architecture course (1)
 - He would finish his course
 - If he got an opportunity to design buildings or houses (“houses” not essential – accept “buildings”)
 - he would have skills and experience (knowledge)
 - and an opportunity to earn money
- (Any three points)
- 5** When would the speaker turn to Plan B? **2**
- If he did not enjoy
 - The (architectural) work
- 6** What issues began to concern him as he re-thought his alternative plan? **3**
- Would it be easy (1) getting into a College (of Education) (1)?
 - Would he gain employment at the end of course?
- (One mark for each. Three marks for both points)
- 7** What does the speaker say about his possible financial situation regarding Plan B? **3**
- He would have no wages
 - from full-time
 - work (employment)
- 8** Which **three** items of expenditure does he mention? **3**
- Accommodation
 - Food
 - College fees (accept “fees”)

Part 2

- 9** What does the speaker think the listener will want to know? **2**
- What he did
 - at the end of the day (eventually)
- 10** Where did the speaker study? **2**
- Glasgow
 - School of Art
- 11 (a)** What work did he do in the Isle of Skye? **3**
- Worked for a firm
 - Which built houses
 - Suitable for the Highland climate
- (b)** For how long did he work there? **1**
- Five years
- 12** In which country was the speaker's next employment? **1**
- Zambia
- 13** What did he do there **and** for how long? **2**
- He helped a voluntary group
 - For a year
- 14** Describe in detail what he felt about this work. **3**
- He decided
 - He wanted work
 - Which involved helping other people
- Accept "enjoyed his work"
- 15** What was involved in his work in Jamaica? **2**
- Re-building
 - houses
- Accept "Building new" (1) " houses" (1)

- 16** Why was this work necessary? **3**
- There had been a big storm
 - Which had damaged many houses
 - A year or two previously
- 17 (a)** What is the speaker's responsibility regarding this work? **1**
- Directing/In charge of the project
- (b)** How long does his contract last? **1**
- Two years

Total marks 40

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