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General Marking Guidance

- All candidates must receive the same treatment. Examiners must mark the first candidate in exactly the same way as they mark the last.
- Mark schemes should be applied positively. Candidates must be rewarded for what they have shown they can do rather than penalised for omissions.
- Examiners should mark according to the mark scheme not according to their perception of where the grade boundaries may lie.
- There is no ceiling on achievement. All marks on the mark scheme should be used appropriately.
- All the marks on the mark scheme are designed to be awarded. Examiners should always award full marks if deserved, i.e. if the answer matches the mark scheme. Examiners should also be prepared to award zero marks if the candidate's response is not worthy of credit according to the mark scheme.
- Where some judgement is required, mark schemes will provide the principles by which marks will be awarded and exemplification may be limited.
- When examiners are in doubt regarding the application of the mark scheme to a candidate's response, the team leader must be consulted.
- Crossed out work should be marked UNLESS the candidate has replaced it with an alternative response.

GCSE Arabic Higher tier
Paper 3 Mark scheme
SECTION A

Question number	Answer	Reject	Mark
1(a)	Any one of the following: - outside Lebanon - when he lived abroad	'Lebanon' ON ITS OWN	(1)

Question number	Answer	Mark
1(b)	Any one of the following: - farmers - students (studying farming/agriculture)	(1)

Question number	Answer	Reject	Mark
1(c)	effect of using harmful/unhealthy substances on crops	health effect of harmful/unhealthy substances on people/children	(1)

Question number	Answer	Mark
2(a)	finding a job	(1)

Question number	Answer	Mark
2(b)	Any one of the following: - at a charitable institute - teacher	(1)

Question number	Answer	Mark
2(c)	Any one of the following: -writing (for cartoons) -translation (for cartoons)	(1)

Question number	Answer	Mark
2(d)	Because it was her first step in her success	(1)

Question number	Answer	Mark
3(a)	the modern Lebanese music is nowadays affected/ influenced a lot by western music	(1)

Question number	Answer	Reject	Mark
3(b)	sending a (social) message to the youth/teenagers (Accept : adults)	‘sending message’ ON ITS OWN	(1)

Question number	Answer	Mark
3(c)	Any one of the following: – should stay the same/unchanged – not be influenced by western techniques.	(1)

Question number	Answer	Mark
3(d)	because of its Arab origin	(1)

Question number	Answer	Mark
3(e)	Any one of the following: – listens online/likes Spanish or western music. – his friends learn to play African drum – because he followed the others	(1)

Question number	Answer	Mark
4(i)	C (opened a different type of business) A, B and D are incorrect	(1)

Question number	Answer	Mark
4(ii)	B (writer) A, C and D are incorrect	(1)

Question number	Answer	Mark
4(iii)	A (finish a project) B, C and D are incorrect	(1)

Question number	Answer	Mark
4(iv)	D (likes) A, B and C are incorrect	(1)

Question number	Answer	Mark
4(v)	B (pleasant) A, C and D are incorrect	(1)

Question number	Answers	Reject	Mark
5(a)	Any one of the following: leave/give up/stop	finish	(1)

Question number	Answers	Mark
5(b)	poor	(1)

Question number	Answers	Mark
5(c)	free (Accept: affordable)	(1)

Question number	Answers	Mark
5(d)	Researched/pointed out/mentioned	(1)

Question number	Answers	Mark
5(e)	lack of job opportunities (after graduation)	(1)

Question number	Answers	Mark
5(f)	future generations.	(1)

Question number	Answer	Mark
6(a)	The only correct answers are: A, B, F C, D, E and G are incorrect answers	(3)

Question number	Answers	Reject	Mark
6(b)	marine animals/sea animals/aquatic animals	‘animals’ ON ITS OWN	(1)

Question number	Answer	Mark
6(c)	Any one of the following: – watch the stars (at night) – enjoy the exciting atmosphere	(1)

SECTION B

Question number	Answer	Mark
7(i)	C (غالية الثمن) A, B and D are incorrect	(1)

Question number	Answer	Mark
7(ii)	D (مستمّر رغم المشاكل) A, B and C are incorrect	(1)

Question number	Answer	Mark
7(iii)	A (الحاجة) B, c and D are incorrect	(1)

Question number	Answer	Mark
7(iv)	A (الدفع عبر الإنترنت) B, C and D are incorrect	(1)

Question number	Answer	Mark
7(v)	C (عمليات الغش) A, B and D are incorrect	(1)

Question number	Answer	Mark
8(a)	مَنال	(1)

Question number	Answer	Mark
8(b)	نَجلاء	(1)

Question number	Answer	Mark
8(c)	روزان	(1)

Question number	Answer	Mark
8(d)	دعاء	(1)

Question number	Answer	Mark
8(e)	روزان	(1)

Question number	Answer	Mark
9(a)	بسبب التقاليد/العادات	(1)

Question number	Answer	Mark
9(b)	- ألمانيا - أمريكا	(1)

Question number	Answer	Mark
9(c)	لأنّ فيها دعاية لشركته/سيزيد شهرة شركته	(1)
9 (d)	Accept any two - أول امرأة <u>عربية</u> تحصل على رخصة الطيران/تقود طائرة. - حصلت على رخصة طيران. - شاركت في سباق طيران دولي. - ثاني امرأة في العالم تقود الطائرة <u>بمُفردها</u>.	(2)

SECTION C

My interest in preparing food began when I was young (little). My mother encouraged me to do so and asked me to help her in the kitchen while preparing dinner for the family. I am now thinking of developing my skills in cooking techniques, especially traditional Arabic dishes. So, in two months I will have (do/go) work (job) experience in an Egyptian restaurant. Perhaps cooking will be my profession (job) in the future.

Question Number	Indicative content	Mark
Mark	Descriptor	
0	No rewardable communication.	
1–3	The meaning of the passage is partially communicated. Some errors in the translation prevent meaning being conveyed, e.g. frequent use of incorrect words, omitted phrases , incorrect tenses.	
4–6	The meaning of the passage is mostly communicated. Occasional errors affect the flow or clarity of the translation, e.g. incorrect words, omitted words, inexact syntax.	
7	The meaning of the passage is fully communicated. Any errors do not detract from the overall effectiveness of the translation.	