



Coimisiún na Scrúduithe Stáit
State Examinations Commission

Junior Certificate 2012

Marking Scheme

CIVIC, SOCIAL AND POLITICAL EDUCATION

Common Level

MARKING PROCEDURES FOR THE WRITTEN PAPER, 2012 **CIVIC, SOCIAL AND POLITICAL EDUCATION (CSPE)**

1. The procedure for marking will consist of:
 - Careful reading and analysis of all the answers
 - Allocation of marks to the components according to the agreed scheme.

2. Components

Facts

- (i) Identification of visually presented data
- (ii) Stating facts.

Appropriate Statement (AS)

- (i) A valid argument, reason, explanation, interpretation, comment, opinion, judgement relevant to the topic
- (ii) An explanation of a term or concept relevant to the topic
- (iii) 2/3 tentative statements
- (iv) A relevant illustration.

3. Marking:

Tick clearly thus (✓) each fact or AS.

- (i) Starting from the beginning of the answer, tick (✓) each fact or AS.
- (ii) Award only the mark/s agreed on the marking scheme to each fact or AS.
- (iii) In Section Three, total the marks awarded to each part of the question and note in the right hand margin thus (<), before marking the remainder.
- (iv) Put the grand total of the question inside a circle on L.H. margin near the question number.
- (v) Read all answers, even excess, repeat or cancelled. The answer gaining most marks is accepted within the rubrics of the examination paper.
- (vi) When you have finished marking the script you should transfer the marks to the grid on the front of the answer-book, question by question. Bracket excess answers. Total the grid and subtract the excess.
- (vii) A cumulative total should be recorded then at the bottom of the right hand margin on every page where you have recorded a total mark for an entire question.
- (viii) The final cumulative total is the **end of page totals**.
- (ix) Fill in the **Total end of page totals** on the front grid of the written paper. This total and the total mark on the grid must be the same or all steps should be revisited

Please Note:

All suggested actions should be marked keeping in mind that they are the suggestions of candidates generally aged 14-16 years.

Any suggested action, or solution to an issue presented by candidates should demonstrate positive attitudes in relation to themselves, other people, the environment and the wider world, otherwise the candidate scores 0.

Section 1.

- 1. *Photograph/Organisation/City***

(a) Dáil Éireann	1M
Dublin	1M
(b) United Nations General Assembly	1M
New York	1M
(c) European Parliament	1M
Strasbourg	1M
(d) United States Congress	1M
Washington	1M
- 2. *Complete the following Sentences***

(a) Fine Gael, Labour Party	1M
(b) President	1M
(c) Referendum	1M
(d) Taoiseach	1M
(e) Dáil	1M
(f) Register of Electors	1M
(g) Stormont	1M
- 3. *Match Government Department Titles and Descriptions***

D	1M
A	1M
C	1M

Section 2 .

**Answer THREE out of the questions numbered 1, 2, 3, 4 below
Each question carries 14 marks.**

- 1. *Age Card Ireland***

(a) A proof of age card	1M
An Garda Síochána	1M
It shows that the holder has reached the legal age for purchasing alcohol. It proves that the holder is aged 18 or over.	1M
(b) Any TWO pieces of information on the card -Name, Date of Birth, Photograph or any other piece of information displayed on the Age Card	1M+1M
(c) The Intoxicating Liquor Act 1988	1M

- (d) Description of the type of work carried out by the Garda Síochána 2M+2M
e.g. directing traffic / giving parking tickets / prison convoy / in court /
Sub-Aqua unit / speed checks / JLO / motorbike duty / at a concert or match
- | | |
|------------------|----|
| Name only | 1M |
| With description | 2M |
- (e) **TWO** reasons either in favour/against the Garda Síochána carrying firearms/guns. 2M+2M
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| Clearly explained reason | 2M |
| Vague reason | 1M |
- Yes or No ONLY – Max 1M

2. Irish Charity Shops Association

- (a) Clothes, books, shoes, bric-a-brac and household linen (Any two) 1M
Money/cash to fund services provided by the Charities 1M
- (b) **MUST** be any **THREE** of the charities named on the Warning Notice
i.e. Cheeverstown, Irish Cancer Society, Mater Hospital Shop,
MS Ireland, Bernardos, Age Action Ireland, Aware, Oxfam, Vita,
Gorta, Enable Ireland, Crosscare, Threshold, Women's Aid, Simon,
Society of St Vincent de Paul (SVP) 1M+1M+1M
- (c) **Concern:** about whether these door-to-do collections are really for charity 2M
Good explanation of concern 2M
Fair explanation of concern 1M
- Way:** Any **ONE** of the following: 1M
Bring your donation to a charity shop
Wait until a charity that you recognise delivers a collection bag to your door
Contact the charity you wish to support and ask them how to make a donation
or any Appropriate Statement.
- (d) Any appropriate action and an explanation that would raise awareness and encourage people to support charity shops. 3M
Name of action 1M
Explanation of action 2M
Good explanation of action 2M
Fair explanation of action 1M
- (e) **THREE** reasons why charity shops are so successful 1M+1M+1M
e.g. they are good value, they are environmentally friendly, they are usually in accessible places, they provide money to good causes, they are a practical way of supporting a charity, they have lots of different things in them, there is something for everyone in them...
- Each reason: 1M

3. Reasons Why The Voting Age Should Be Reduced

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| (a) | 16
National Youth Council of Ireland, NYCI
Civic, Social and Political Education, CSPE | 1M
1M
1M |
| (b) | TWO things that will happen:
Young people will have a direct say in our democracy
Young people will have a stake in deciding the future of their local community and society | 1M+1M |
| (c) | Any TWO appropriate reasons from the leaflet | 1M+1M |
| (d) | Any appropriate action and a description that would encourage young people to support the campaign to reduce the voting age. | 3M |
| | Name of action | 1M |
| | Description of action | 2M |
| | Good description of action | 2M |
| | Fair description of action | 1M |
| (e) | Any TWO appropriate social issues that concern young people and a description of each one e.g. vandalism, litter, anti-social behavior, racism, discrimination, unemployment, poverty | 4M |
| | Name of issue | 2 X 1M |
| | Description of issue | 2 X 1M |

4. Batteries Back

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|-----|---|----------|
| (a) | Nothing, its free | 1M |
| | Any ONE of the following: AA, AAA, C, D and button cells, or used batteries, or portable waste batteries | 1M |
| | In a battery box or similar container in a clean, dry place away from direct heat sources | 1M |
| (b) | Any THREE ways that used batteries can be collected:
At recycling Centres
At retailers supplying similar batteries
At special WEEE collection events held nationwide
At a collection point near you | 1M+1M+1M |
| (c) | TWO reasons why batteries should be recycled
they contain chemicals, to make sure that they do not pollute or contaminate the environment, they have useful metals that can be used in industry, to meet European targets for recycling | 1M +1M |

- (d) Key word is **REDUCE** 1M + 1M + 1M
School: e.g. cutting down on photocopying, turning off taps
Shop: e.g. managing stock effectively, recycling packaging
A Household/Family: e.g. composting, not leaving lights on

(e) Explain the connection between being a good citizen and being aware of the environment. 3M

Very good explanation	3M
Good explanation	2M
Fair explanation	1M

Section 3

**Answer ONE of the questions numbered 1, 2, 3, 4 below.
Each question carries 20 marks.**

1. *Universal Children’s Day*

- (a)** Name and explain your Action Project giving **TWO** reasons why you have chosen this particular action. **6M**

Name of Action Project	=	1M
TWO reasons for choosing this particular action	=	1M + 1M
Overall Mark	=	3M
Very good = 3		
Good = 2		
Fair = 1		

- (b)** Write a letter to the Principal asking permission and giving **TWO** reasons why you want to do this project **6M**

Asking permission from Principal	=	1M
TWO reasons for choosing the Action Project	=	1M + 1M
Overall Mark	=	3M
Very good =	3	
Good =	2	
Fair =	1	

- (c) Write an article about the Day for your school newsletter. Include a paragraph about the Convention on the Rights of the Child. Give examples of THREE children's rights and how these rights can be abused. **8M**

Introductory paragraph on the Convention on the Rights of the Child = 2M
Good = 2
Fair = 1

THREE children's rights	=	1M + 1M +1M
How these rights can be abused	=	3M
Overall Mark	=	3M
Very good = 3		
Good = 2		
Fair = 1		

2. Our Lady's Children's Hospital, Crumlin

- (a) THREE different methods of fundraising for the CLASS and explanation for each 6M**

THREE methods = 1M + 1M +1M

Explanations = 3M

Very good = 3

Good = 2

Fair = 1

- (b)** *Poster for your fundraising event:* **6M**

Poster and Slogan Criteria: poster/drawing/graphic/wording must encourage people to donate money at your fundraising event.

Maximum 6M awarded only if poster goes beyond the wording in the question.

- (c) Name and describe the work of **FOUR** teams for your fundraising project. 8M

Name of **FOUR** teams clearly stated = 1M + 1M +1M + 1M

Descriptions = 4M

Very good = 4

Good = 3

Fair = 2

Poor = 0 - 1

3. A Youth Centre for the Local Area

- (a)** Write a letter to your local T.D. giving **THREE** reasons why a youth centre would benefit the community and explaining you are writing on behalf of your class and how strongly people feel about the issue. **8M**

Letter to TD = 1M

Writing on behalf of your class = 1M

THREE reasons why it would benefit the community = 1M + 1M + 1M

Explanation of how strongly young people feel about this issue = 3M

Very good = 3

Good = 2

Fair = 1

- (b)** The theme for your Poster is a public meeting to discuss the youth centre issue **6M**

Poster and Slogan Criteria: poster/drawing/graphic/wording must encourage young people to attend the public meeting and have their voices heard

Maximum 6M awarded only if poster goes beyond the wording in the question.

- (c) Name and describe **THREE OTHER** actions (apart from a meeting or a letter) your CSPE class could take to promote a youth centre in your area. **6M**

Name of **THREE** other actions = 1M + 1M + 1M
Descriptions = 3M
Very good = 3
Good = 2
Fair = 1

4. Fairtrade Fortnight

- (a) **THREE** arguments to convince your class to do a survey about Fairtrade **6M**

THREE arguments = 2M + 2M + 2M
Good argument, well developed = 2M
Fair argument = 1M

- (b) **THREE** committees to carry out the survey and **ONE** thing you would do with the survey results **8M**

Name of **THREE** committees = 1M + 1M + 1M
What you would do with the survey results = 1M
Overall mark = 4
Very good = 4
Good = 3
Fair = 2
Poor = 0 - 1

- (c) Apart from a survey name and describe **THREE** actions to raise awareness about Fairtrade products among the students. **6M**

Name of **THREE** actions = 1M + 1M + 1M
Descriptions = 3M
Very good = 3
Good = 2
Fair = 1

MARKING A REPORT ON AN ACTION PROJECT - 2012

- **Each candidate must write the RAP in his/her own words**
- **The candidate must follow the format of the report in the order presented in the Department of Education and Skill's Pro-Forma Booklet**
- **Misplaced answers will not score.**
- **Candidates must not include any additional inserts.**

Allocation of Marks

SECTION 1.

Title 3 marks

SECTION 2.

Introduction

(a) Concept 4 marks
(b) Explanation 4 marks

SECTION 3.

Activities Undertaken

(a) Communication with people 4 marks
(b) List of activities and description 15 marks
(c) Description of particular activity 15 marks
(d) Skills applied 15 marks

SECTION 4.

Summary of Information 30 marks

SECTION 5.

Reflections 30 marks

Total marks 120 marks

A REPORT ON AN ACTION PROJECT

SECTION 1. Title (Page 2, first page read, last page marked)

A clear, unambiguous and relevant title (3 marks)

The examiner should be able to confirm the suitability of the title having read, listened to or viewed the Report completely.

MARK (2)	CRITERIA
0	Irrelevant or no title given or titles such as My CSPE Action Project
1	Broad general title with little indication of what the Action project was about
2	Explicitly indicates the nature and subject of the Action Project.

Types of action ticked

MARK (1)	CRITERIA
1	Relevant box(es) ticked

SECTION 2: Introduction (8 marks)

(a) Concept 4 marks

MARK (1)	CRITERIA
1	Relevant box ticked

Explanation of how the Action Project was based on the concept ticked

MARK (3)	CRITERIA
0 marks	Action Project (AP) is not relevant to CSPE or no link stated
1 mark	Box ticked but only vague link to concept ticked
2 marks	An explanation that is relevant and accurate but limited. An explanation that is clearly relevant to the AP but is not linked to the concept ticked No box ticked but the explanation is relevant to the AP
3 marks	A clear, relevant explanation of how the AP was based on the concept ticked.

(b) Explanation of why the Action Project was undertaken 4 marks

MARK (4)	CRITERIA
0 mark	No valid explanation(s) stated
1 mark	Poor explanation; no, or poor development.
2 marks	Fair explanation(s) with little development
3 marks	Good explanation(s) with some development
4 marks	Very good explanation(s) with very good development, relevant to the Action Project undertaken.

SECTION 3: Activities Undertaken (49 marks)

(a) Explanation on communication with ONE of the people/groups listed

MARK (4 marks)

1 mark Names of TWO persons/groups communicated with

1 mark Description of HOW person/group was communicated with

Graded: 1 mark Fair description of WHY person/group was communicated with

2 marks Good description of WHY person/group was communicated with

(b) This section should list and briefly describe different activities undertaken during the course of the Action Project (AP). (15 marks)

MARK (15)	CRITERIA
0 – 6	Little or no description of activities undertaken
7 – 10	Reasonable description of activities undertaken
11 – 15	Very clear description of activities undertaken
<u>NOTE:</u>	Where a candidate presents only a list of activities (minimum of two activities) with no description, the maximum mark they can receive is 6

(c) Detailed Account of ONE task (15 marks)

0 – 2	Poor description of ONE particular task/activity
3 – 6	Fair description of ONE particular task/activity
7 – 10	Good description of ONE particular task/activity
11 – 15	Very good description of ONE particular task/ activity

Note: if a candidate does not score in Section (c), then s/he can only score in the ‘Explanation of importance...’ part of (d) below.

(d) Skills: Naming skills 2 x 1 mark (2 marks)

1 Mark	Naming ONE skill relevant to the task in part (c)
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Description of application of skills: 2 x 5 marks (10 marks)

MARK	CRITERIA
0 – 2	Poor or fair evidence of application
3 – 4	Good evidence of application
5	Very good evidence of application

Explanation of the importance of ONE skill in carrying out the AP (3 marks)

0 - 1	Poor or fair explanation of the importance of ONE skill in carrying out the AP
2	Good explanation of the importance of ONE skill in carrying out the AP
3	Very good explanation of the importance of ONE skill in carrying out the AP

SECTION 4: Summary

(30 marks)

This section should have a summary of learning, where a candidate gives five different detailed pieces of information/ facts that s/he has found out during the course of the Action Project.

5 x 3 marks awarded on an Appropriate Fact basis. 15 marks
Overall Mark 15 marks

The learning in the Action Project is based on the concept, issue or theme of the Action Project indicated in the Section 1 and Section 2(a)

An Appropriate piece of information/fact is

- (i) A valid piece of information/fact relevant to the subject of the Action Project (AP)
 - (ii) 2 tentative pieces of information/facts relevant to the subject of the AP
 - (iii) An explanation of a term or concept relevant to the subject of the AP
 - (iv) 2 statements which are marginal to the subject of the AP
 - (v) A relevant illustration (e.g. pie chart or bar chart)
 - (vi) The results of a survey presented in statistical form.

Overall Marks		15 marks
Poor	0–2	lacks focus, no development /detail, irrelevant, inaccurate pieces of information
Fair	3–6	lacks clarity, weak attempt at a summary with some development and detail.
Good	7–10	relevant pieces of information but with limited development and detail.
Very Good	11–15	focused, coherent, accurate, all well-developed pieces of information and detail.

Notes: Where facts are linked within the one point, they merit **ONE** Appropriate Fact, i.e. 3 marks
Biographical, historical, geographical, scientific, medical detail, each merits **ONLY ONE** Appropriate Fact.

SECTION 5: Reflections

(30 marks)

In this Section a candidate should show his/her **own thinking/reflection** on the different experiences that s/he had while doing the Action Project and should give **reasons** as to why these experiences shaped his/her thoughts and opinions.

Reflection	3 x 3 marks awarded on Appropriate Statement basis	9 marks
Reasons	3 x 3 marks	9 marks

Reasons	5 x 3 marks	5 marks
Overall Marks	12 marks	
Poor	0 – 2	no development of points made
Fair	3 – 5	points made with limited development
Good	6 – 8	good attempt, some development and/or repetition/imbalance
Very Good	9 – 12	independent thinking, new ideas, poses questions etc

An Appropriate Statement is

- (i) A valid reflection, argument, explanation, interpretation, comment, judgment, relevant to the subject/process/skills of the Action Project.**
- (ii) Two or three tentative statements**
- (iii) A relevant recommendation or suggestion.**

Appropriate Statements here **must** relate to the CSPE concept/unit/theme as indicated in Section 1 or Section 2A and be in keeping with the human rights and social responsibility perspective of CSPE

Note 1: These Appropriate Statements may refer to the **process** engaged in and/or the **subject** of the Action Project and/or the **skills** developed/used in the course of the AP.

Note 2: The reason & reflection must always be together.

Note 3: If no reasons are mentioned, the maximum Overall Mark is **8**.

MARKING A COURSE WORK ASSESSMENT BOOK.

Civic, Social & Political Education 2012

- In the Course-work Assessment Book the candidate will report on a course-work module which s/he has completed
- The Course-work Assessment Book has a **Compulsory** section for reporting on the Action Project. This is Section 4 of the book.
- The Action Project component must relate to the specific module
- A candidate can give a detailed description of a particular activity or skill **ONCE** only in the entire Course-work Assessment Book. This is important in the reporting on *Things I have done: an Account of three classes that form part of the Module* and on the *Account of the Action Project* pages. The same activity or skill may not be used to answer several sections of the Course-work Assessment Book.

Allocation of Marks

SECTION 1.

Title	3 marks	3
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SECTION 2

What my course-work module was about	7 marks	7
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SECTION 3.

Things I have done

One class	2+8+5+5 marks	
A second class	2+8+5+5 marks	
A third class	2+8+5+5 marks	60

SECTION 4.

Things I have done

Action Project	3 +3 +8+8+8 marks	30
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SECTION 5.

Something I have to say

2 +8 +10 marks	20
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Total marks	120
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COURSE-WORK ASSESSMENT BOOK

SECTION 1.

TITLE

(3 marks)

MARK (3)	CRITERIA
0	Irrelevant or no title given or titles such as My CSPE Course-work Module
1	Broad, vague title with little indication of what the Course-work Module was about
2	General indication of what the Course-work Module was about.
3	Clearly indicates what the Course-work Module was about.

SECTION 2.

What my course-work module was about **(7 marks)**
5 pieces of information required for full marks, may include reference to the Action Project undertaken.

MARK (7)	CRITERIA
0	Repeats title only
2 + 2 + 1+1+1	Refers to 5 different components of the course-work module

SECTION 3: Things I have done

(20 marks x 3)

3.1. One Class (4 parts to complete - $2 + 8 + 5 + 5$)

3.2. A Second Class (4 parts to complete - $2 + 8 + 5 + 5$)

3.3. A Third Class (4 parts to complete - $2 + 8 + 5 + 5$)

A. Main topic

MARK (2)	CRITERIA
0	No topic mentioned or irrelevant title given to topic
1	Main topic stated but unclear
2	Main topic stated clearly

B. Short Description

MARK (8)	CRITERIA
0 – 2	Poor description of what took place
3 – 5	Reasonable description of what took place
6 – 8	Clear description of what took place

C. One important thing I learned

MARK (5)	CRITERIA
0 – 2	Poor statement of what was learnt
3 – 5	Clear statement of what was learnt

D. Made this interesting

MARK (5)	CRITERIA
0 – 2	Poor explanation of what made the class interesting
3 – 5	Clear explanation of what made the class interesting

This marking scheme is applied to all three accounts of classes described.

Remember: repetition does not score.

SECTION 4: Things I have done: Action Project

Action Project (5 parts to complete - 3 + 3 + 8 + 8 + 8) 30 marks

4.1 Title of Action Project

MARK (3)	CRITERIA
0	No title or irrelevant title
1	Vague title
2	General title
3	Clear and relevant title

4.2 Reason for Action Project

MARK (3)	CRITERIA
0 – 1	Poor explanation of reason for Action Project.
2 – 3	Clear explanation of reason for Action Project

4.3 Description of one Activity

MARK (8)	CRITERIA
0 – 2	Poor detail of activity
3 – 5	Reasonable detail of activity
6 – 8	Clear detail of activity

4.4 Two things learnt from Action Project

MARK (2 x 4 = 8)	CRITERIA
0 – 2	Poor statement of things learnt
3 – 4	Clear statement of things learnt

4.5 One skill I used while doing this Action Project

- (a) One skill clearly stated - **2 Marks**
- (b) Description of how the skill was used

MARK (6)	CRITERIA
0 – 2	Poor evidence of application
3 – 4	Reasonable evidence of application
5 – 6	Clear evidence of application

Note: If the skill is stated within the description in 4.5 (b) only, apply marks for description to maximum of 6 marks.

SECTION 5: Something I have to say

Something to say 2+8+10 min

(20 marks)

Issue

An issue can relate to a topic, theme or the learning process etc.

MARK (2)	CRITERIA
0	No issue stated or irrelevant
1	Vague statement of issue
2	Issue clearly stated

Views on issue

MARK (8)	CRITERIA
0 – 2	Poor expression of views on issue selected
3 – 5	Attempts to express views with some supporting comment
6 – 8	Clear expression and development of views

What can be done

MARK (10)	CRITERIA
0 – 4	Poorly expressed or unrealistic action idea(s)
5 – 7	Reasonably expressed idea(s) for action with some possibility of achievement
8 – 10	Clearly expressed action idea(s) of an achievable nature

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