



Coimisiún na Scrúduithe Stáit State Examinations Commission

Leaving Certificate Applied 2009

Sign Language (100 Marks)

Examination Centre Stamp

Thursday, 4 June 2009

(Duration of Examination – 20 to 30 minutes approximately)

Directions to Examiner

Please enter Candidate's EXAMINATION NUMBER here.

There are two parts in this examination.

Part One has 3 Sections – **A, B, C.**

Part Two has 2 Sections – **A, B.**

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Total Mark for Part One Section A	
Total Mark for Part One Section B	
Total Mark for Part One Section C	
Grand Total – Part One	
Total Mark for Part Two Section A	
Total Mark for Part Two Section B	
Grand Total – Part Two	
OVERALL TOTAL MARK	

PART ONE – SHORT QUESTIONS – (40 MARKS)

Candidates will be asked 12 questions from the following three sections:

Section A – Candidates will be asked 5 questions worth 1 mark each.

Section B – Candidates will be asked 4 questions worth 4 marks each.

Section C – Candidates will be asked 3 questions: 2 questions will be worth 6 marks and one question will be worth 7 marks.

Section A (1 mark each – maximum 5 marks)

Candidates to answer 5 out of 15 questions; one question from Subsection 1; one question from Subsection 2 and so on.

Question	Mark
1a. What is the bus number from City Centre to your school? 1b. How many students are in your class? 1c. How many subjects did you study this year in school?	(1)
2a. Fingerspell your English teacher's name in full. 2b. Fingerspell your principal's name in full. 2c. Fingerspell your ISL teacher's name in full.	(1)
3a. What is the sign for "POTATO"? 3b. What is the sign for "CABBAGE"? 3c. What is the sign for "CARROT"?	(1)
4a. Who is your favourite actor or actress? 4b. What is the name of your favourite film? 4c. What is your favourite month of the year?	(1)
5a. What is the name of the DeafHear Magazine? 5b. Who is the sign presenter for RTE News for the Deaf? 5c. What day is 'Hands On' shown on TV?	(1)
Total Marks (Maximum – 5 marks)	

Section B (4 marks each – maximum 16 marks)

Candidates to answer 4 out of 12 questions; one question from Subsection 6, one from Subsection 7 and so on.

Question	Mark
6a. Name any 4 of the current Deaf presenters for 'Hands On'. 6b. Tell me about the 'Hands On' TV programme; such as the types of information it contains, and what you think of it, whether it is good, bad, interesting, etc. 6c. Tell me about a Deaf magazine of your choice; what does it contain and what is your opinion of it?	(4)
7a. Name 4 types of people who are regularly involved in the Deaf community. 7b. Can hearing people become skilled signers to the same level as Deaf people or not? Explain your answer. 7c. Can Deaf people pilot an aeroplane? Tell me why or why not.	(4)
8a. Name 4 types of accommodation that would be available to stay in on holidays. 8b. If you were interested in going to Rome, explain how you would book a flight? 8c. Name 4 different kinds of transport vehicles one might use on a holiday?	(4)
9a. Name any 4 jobs that Deaf people can do and explain why. 9b. Name any 4 jobs that Deaf people cannot do and explain why not. 9c. Explain what is involved in an ISL teaching job.	(4)
Total Marks (Maximum – 16 marks)	

Section C (6 or 7 marks each – maximum 19 marks)

Candidates to answer 3 out of 9 questions, one question from Subsection 10, one from Subsection 11 and so on.

Question	Mark
10a. What are the advantages or disadvantages of studying Leaving Certificate Applied (LCA)? Explain your answer. 10b. Do you think that ISL should be a subject in the Leaving Certificate Programme? Explain your answer. 10c. Which part of the ISL course in the LCA did you find most interesting? Explain your answer.	(6)
11a. Do you think Deaf technology has improved over the years or not? Explain your answer. 11b. What are the advantages and disadvantages of communicating with hearing people? Explain your answer. 11c. What is the difference between Deaf and hearing drama? Explain your answer.	(6)
12a. What are the advantages and disadvantages of mainstream education for Deaf people? Explain. 12b. What is the difference between Deaf and hearing culture? Explain. 12c. Do you think Deaf schools generally have good education and benefits for Deaf people? Explain.	(7)
Total Marks (Maximum – 19 marks)	

PART TWO – PRESENTATION – (60 MARKS)

Section A: (45 marks)

Students are given four topics at the beginning of Year 2 of their course.

They must choose one of these topics and prepare a 3 to 5 minute presentation in Sign Language on the chosen topic.

After the presentation, the examiner will ask a number of questions on the topic.

- Topics:**
1. Plan a trip to South Africa for one month. Sign how you would prepare to go on the trip, for example –
 - ❖ researching about South Africa on the internet
 - ❖ booking the tickets, via a travel agency or on the internet
 - ❖ accommodation, etc.
 2. Prepare a presentation about the Human Rights laws here in Ireland with regard to Deaf People.
 3. Choose one of the Deaf organisations in Ireland and sign a brief history of the organisation and explain about its aims and goals.
 4. Choose a sport that you are familiar with and sign a presentation about
 - ❖ the rules of the game
 - ❖ the uniforms worn
 - ❖ equipment used
 - ❖ team members
 - ❖ how it is played

Student's Expressive Skills in Sign Language	(20)
Content of Presentation	(25)
Total Marks (Maximum – 45 marks)	

Section B: Questions (5 marks each)

1. General question on the development/elaboration of an aspect of the presentation.	(5)
2. Describe the methods of research you used to prepare for your presentation.	(5)
3. What have you learned from preparing this topic?	(5)
Total Marks (Maximum – 15 marks)	