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GAELIC (LEARNERS)
STANDARD GRADE
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Reading

Fill in these boxes and read what is printed below.

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Do not open this paper until you are told to do so.

When you are told to open the paper, read carefully the English introduction at the beginning, and then work through the paper, starting at Question 1.

When you think you know what to write for each item, write your answer **in English** in the space provided after the item. (You are not expected to fill all the spaces.)

You may use a Gaelic dictionary.

You must write any rough work in this paper.

Before leaving the examination room you must give this book to the invigilator. If you do not, you may lose all the marks for this paper.



Marks

Students write for the school magazine.

1. Calum writes about a novel he has read.

Leugh mi an leabhar, ‘Turas air Bàta Thormoid’ ann am mìos. Is toigh leam a bhith a’ leughadh a h-uile oidhche. Bidh mi a’ faighinn leabhraichean às an leabharlann.

Bha còignear anns an sgeulachd seo, triùir bhalach agus dithis nighean. Is e Anndra aon de na prìomh charactaran anns an nobhail. Thug athair Anndra iad gu eilean air bàta.

Dh’fhuirich iad air an eilean airson cola-deug. B’ e an samhradh a bha ann agus bha an t-side blàth agus tioram.



- (a) How long did it take Calum to read the novel?

1

- (b) How often does Calum read?

2

- (c) How many characters are there in the story?

1

- (d) Who was Andrew?

3

*Marks***1. (continued)**

(e) Where did they go **and** who took them there?

2

(f) How long were they away?

1

(g) (i) What time of year was it?

1

(ii) What was the weather like?

2**[Turn over**

Marks

2. Calum continues to write about the novel.

Tha na balaich agus na nigheanan a' fuireach ann am baile beag air taobh an iar Alba. Tha iad uile eadar trì bliadhna deug agus sia bliadhna deug a dh'aois. Is e caraidean Anndra a th' annta.

Chaidh iad gu eilean creagach, bòidheach. Tha an nobhail ag innse mu na cur-seachadan aca: sreap, seòladh, snàmh, iasgach agus coiseachd.

Chòrd an nobhail rium. Bha i èibhinn.

- (a) Where **exactly** do the boys and girls live?

4

- (b) How old are they?

3

- (c) Mention **two** ways in which Calum describes the island?

(i) _____

(ii) _____

2

Marks

2. (continued)

(d) Name **four** of their pastimes on the island.

(i) _____

(ii) _____

(iii) _____

(iv) _____

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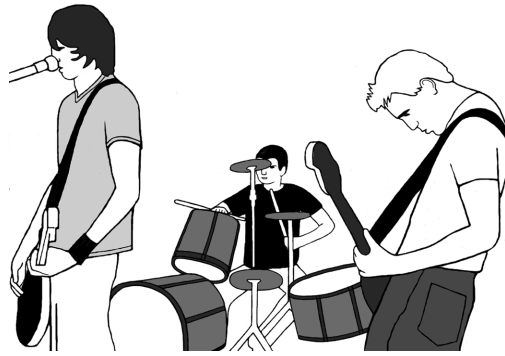
(e) Why did he enjoy the novel?

1

[Turn over

3. Finlay writes about a concert.

Marks



An dàrna Disathairne anns a' Chèitean, chaidh mi gu consairt ann an Sruighlea. B' e consairt do dh'òigridh a bha ann. Bha e eadar-dhealaichte bho chonsairtean eile oir chaidh an consairt a chumail air taobh a-muigh a' chaisteil.

Thòisich an consairt tràth feasgar agus bha e a' dol gu anmoch. Bha mu chòig mìle deug neach aig a' chonsairt agus abair gun robh oidhche sgoinneil aig a h-uile duine. A bharrachd air còmhlan à Alba, bha còmhlan à Èirinn ann cuideachd. Bha an còmhlan à Èirinn beòthail. Chòrd na còmhlan uile rinn. Bha na goireasan aig a' chonsairt math dha-rìribh. Bha e uabhasach cudromach nach robh an t-uisge ann agus nach robh i fuar.

- (a) When did Finlay go the concert? Give a **detailed** answer.

3

- (b) The concert was held in Stirling. Where exactly?

2

- (c) When did the concert start?

2

- (d) What is said about the band from Ireland?

1

3. (continued)

Marks

(e) What was the weather like? Give a **detailed** answer.

3

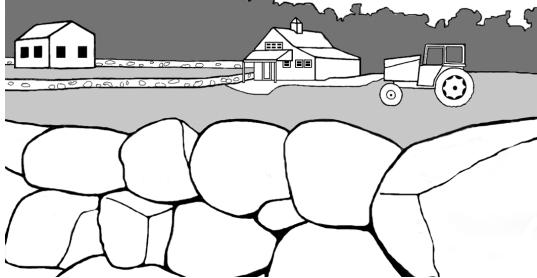
[Turn over

Marks

4. James writes about working on a farm.

Bha tuathanas faisg air taigh mo sheanar agus dh'iarr mi obair air Seòras, an tuathanach. Fhuair mi an cothrom sin. Bha mi glè thoilichte oir bha mi ag iarraidh eòlas obrach fhaighinn agus is toigh leam beathaichean.

Tha mi a' smaoineachadh gu bheil an obair cruaidh ach inntinneach. A h-uile madainn bidh Seòras ag èirigh aig leth-uair an dèidh còig. Tha na h-uairean aige fada.



- (a) Where is the farm?

3

- (b) How did James get the opportunity to work on the farm?

2

- (c) Why was he pleased about this opportunity? Give **two** reasons.

(i)

(ii)

4

- (d) What does he think of the work?

2

Marks

4. (continued)

(e) What does he say about George's working day?

5

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Marks

5. Gary writes about his pet dog, Dileas.

Is fìor thoigh leam an cù agam, Dileas. Fhuair mi e nuair a bha e ceithir mìosan a dh'aois bho mo phàrantan airson mo cho-là-breith. Tha dath dubh agus geal air. Is e cù toilichte, càirdeil a tha ann. Bidh e a' dol a-mach còmhla riumsa agus bidh mòran spòrs againn. Feumaidh mi a ràdh gu bheil eagal aige bhon chat agam.



Bidh e a' coiseachd còmhla rium don sgoil agus an uair sin tillidh e dhachaigh leis fhèin. Aig leth-uair an dèidh trì, nuair a chluinneas e clag na sgoile, bidh e a' comhartaich ag iarraidh a-mach agus ruithidh e don sgoil gam choinneachadh. Chan eil rud sam bith ann cho prìseil dhomh ris a' chù agam. Uill, mo phàrantan - is dòcha!

According to the passage above which of the following statements are true. Put a tick (✓) where the statement is true. Choose **six** statements.

	TRUE
Dileas . . .	
was 4 months when Gary got him.	<input type="checkbox"/>
is not a friendly dog.	<input type="checkbox"/>
is brown.	<input type="checkbox"/>
likes sausages.	<input type="checkbox"/>
is a happy dog.	<input type="checkbox"/>
will go out with anyone.	<input type="checkbox"/>
is frightened of Gary's cat.	<input type="checkbox"/>
walks with Gary to school.	<input type="checkbox"/>
barks when he hears the school bell.	<input type="checkbox"/>
runs to the school to meet him.	<input type="checkbox"/>
waits patiently for him at home.	<input type="checkbox"/>

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