



2008 Contemporary Social Studies

Standard Grade – Foundation

Finalised Marking Instructions

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General comments – Markers are advised that they should make every possible attempt to look beyond the poor handwriting and poor expression which can be expected to characterise many of the responses at this level. If the intention of the candidate is obvious to the marker, credit should be awarded, either full or partial. Where the term ‘partial credit’ is used in the following marking instructions, it simply means half-marks. The term ‘direct lift’ refers to the verbatim lifting of wording provided in the source. This should not be penalised at this level, even if a candidate has lifted a quote in the first person. Likewise, one word answers should not *per se* be penalised. If a more extended response is necessary, the answer will be self-penalising.

Allocation of marks for evaluating questions

EV4 3 points for 4 marks
 2 points for 2 marks
 1 point for 1 mark

But one out of three answers may be partially correct, and may be allocated 1 mark, to give 2 points for 2 marks plus 1 mark for a total of 3 marks.

One mark + one pc = (1 mark)

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Question 1

- (a) *Advantages to local people if the mine goes ahead*
workers needed (fifty new jobs); new football pitches (company will pay). **2 + 2** **EV 4**
- (b) Sends a report – The Reporter.
Argues against the plan – Protest group.
Argues for the plan – The mining company.
Takes the final decision – The Scottish Government. **4 × 1** **KU 4**

Question 2

- (a) *Reasons to support speed limit*
(i) Speedboats can cause accidents. (expressed in any reasonable way)
(ii) Fish are being frightened away. (Fishermen may have to go elsewhere)
- Reasons to oppose speed limit*
(i) Water-skiers will have nowhere to practise.
(ii) Boat-hire company will go bust. **2 + 2** **EV 4**
- (b) *Two other ways in which tourists can cause damage to areas of natural beauty*
Any two valid examples eg footpath erosion; trampling rare plants; starting fires; leaving litter; any other reasonable suggestion. **2 + 2** **KU 4**
- “Pollution” on its own should be given only one mark.
When the pollution is exemplified, eg “Pollution when cars get too close”, two marks.
One word answers will tend to be self-penalising, but “litter” hardly needs any further explanation and should be given the full two marks.

Question 3

- (a) *Choose two ways of solving problems*

Problem 1 (losing water) – Replace old leaky pipes.
Problem 2 (People are careless) – Install water meters. **2 + 2 EV 4**

A small number of candidates seem to have taken the instruction to mean that they have to find TWO solutions for each problem. Half marks have been allowed.

- (b) *Give two ways in which you could reduce the amount of water you use*

Any two valid examples eg take shower rather than bath.
Don't run tap when brushing teeth.
Don't wash dishes under running tap etc. **2 + 2 KU 4**

Answers must be reasonably practical – “Don't wash” is not accepted.
“Don't use as much water when you do the dishes” – not accepted – method would have to be specified.

Question 4

- (a) *Put in the correct level of qualification*
(Answers given in correct order)

University degree.
Highers.
No qualifications.
Standard Grades. **4 × 1 EV 4**

Some candidates have attempted to answer by quoting from the percentage column. Up to half marks has been allowed for this kind of answer.

- (b) *Give two advantages of Skillseekers*
(only the following answers from the list are acceptable).

Might get a permanent job.
On-the-job training. **2 + 2 KU 4**

No marks given to candidates who enter 4 or 5 ticks.
Three ticks, with two correct – two marks

Question 5

(a) *Answer true or false from the graph*

True
False
True
False

4 x 1 EV 4

(b) *Two reasons why the number of British car workers has gone down (only the following answers from the list are acceptable)*

Most of the work is done by robots.
People buy more cars from abroad.

2 + 2 KU 4

Question 6

(a) *Give name of worker for category of industry*

Primary – Sandy.
Service – Senga.

2 + 2 KU 4

Question 7

(a) *Sentences are complete as follows:*

- (i) Scotland's old industries started because of **local raw materials**.
- (ii) Scotland's new industries are based on a **highly trained workforce**.

2 + 2 EV 4

(b) *Two reasons to explain the importance of the electronics industry to Scotland (only the following answers from the list are acceptable)*

It provides highly paid jobs.
Its products give good profits.

2 + 2 KU 4

No marks given to candidates who enter 4 or 5 ticks.
Three ticks, with two correct – two marks

Question 8

Two reasons why we should not eat too much junk food

Reason 1 – high in fat (1 mark), which is bad for the heart (1 mark).
Reason 2 – we might take more salt than is good for us.

2 + 2 EV 4

NB “High in fat” “A lot of salt” are statements of fact which do not identify any problem. “Junk food is bad for the heart” is worth 2 marks.

Question 9

- (a) *Give two differences between the law courts in Scotland and in the rest of the UK*

If candidates just give an example, eg “The Not Proven” verdict, they are not actually giving a *difference* (hence the format of the answer template).

Both parts of each answer have to match up.

The two areas of difference are – The Not Proven verdict
– The Procurator Fiscal

2 + 2 EV 4

- (b) (i) *Age limit differences* – Get married without parents’ consent. **KU 2**
(ii) *Another difference between Scotland and the rest of the UK* –
Different education system. **KU 2**

No marks given if more than one box ticked.

Question 10

- (a) *True or false to statements given in table.*

False
True
True
False

4 × 1 EV 4

- (b) *Give two pieces of evidence which prove that Scotland is a multi-cultural country.* (only the following answers from the list are acceptable)

Some schools in Glasgow celebrate Diwali as well as Christmas.
Pupils in Scotland can take a Standard Grade in Urdu.

2 + 2 KU 4

No marks given to candidates who enter 4 or 5 ticks.
Three ticks, with two correct – two marks

Question 11

(a) *The sentences are completed correctly as follows:*

The party which won the most seats in 2003 was **Labour**.

The party which had the greatest increase in seats between 2003 and 2007 was the **SNP**.

The party which lost all its seats in 2007 was the **SSP**.

The number of seats gained by the **Conservatives/Lib Dems/Labour** stayed about the same.

4 × 1 EV4

(b) (i) Devolution.

KU 2

(ii) Change school exams.

KU 2

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