

X842/77/12

Italian Listening and Discursive Writing

Duration — 1 hour 20 minutes

Total marks — 70

SECTION 1 — LISTENING — 30 marks

Attempt ALL questions.

You will hear two items in Italian. Before you hear each item, you will have one minute to study the questions. You will hear each item twice, with an interval of one minute between playings. You will then have time to answer the questions before hearing the next item. Write your answers clearly, in English, in the answer booklet provided. In the answer booklet you must clearly identify which question you are attempting.

SECTION 2 — DISCURSIVE WRITING — 40 marks

Attempt ONE question.

Write your answers clearly, in **Italian**, in the answer booklet provided. In the answer booklet you must clearly identify the question number you are attempting.

You may use an Italian dictionary.

Use blue or black ink.

Before leaving the examination room you must give your answer booklet to the Invigilator; if you do not, you may lose all the marks for this paper.





SECTION 1 — LISTENING — 30 marks Attempt ALL questions

Item 1

Listen carefully to the following item about the decline in the number of Italians who travel abroad and then answer, in **English**, the questions below.

(a) What did the Italian population used to be known as?
(b) What have Italians lost? Give any three details.
(c) (i) There is a decline in the number of Italians who travel abroad. Why is this? State any one thing.
(ii) Why do Italians tend to holiday in Italy?
(d) What new trend is emerging?
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Item 2			
Listen carefully to Claudio and Marta talking about travelling and then answer, in English , the questions below.			
(a)	What does Claudio ask Marta when he sees her?		1
(b)	Why does Claudio not like to travel?		3
(c)	Marta mentions that she used to work in a bank in Milan. Why did she not like her job?		2
(d)	(i)	What finally made Marta decide it was time for her to go travelling?	1
	(ii)	What exactly were her travel plans?	1
(e)	(i)	Why did Marta decide to start writing a travel blog?	2
	(ii)	Why did Claudio not follow Marta's travel blog? State any one thing.	1
(f)	Claudio explains that he is of 'the postcard generation'. What reasons does he give for liking postcards?		3
(g)	(i)	What difficulty did Marta encounter when she first arrived in India?	1
	(ii)	What convinced Marta not to return home?	2
(h)	Why does Claudio prefer to remain in Italy?		2
(i)	What has Marta learnt from her travels around the world? State any one thing.		

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SECTION 2 — DISCURSIVE WRITING — 40 marks Attempt ONE question

Write an essay, in **Italian**, of about 250–300 words discussing **one** of the following statements.

3. Society

Lo stile di vita nei paesi ricchi sfrutta in modo esagerato le risorse del nostro pianeta.

4. Learning

Scuole solo per ragazzi e scuole solo per ragazze, così si impara meglio.

5. Employability

I lavoratori anziani fanno crescere il livello della disoccupazione giovanile.

6. Culture

Scaricare musica e film illegalmente da Internet uccide l'industria musicale e cinematografica.

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