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**Italian
Listening and Discursive Writing**

MONDAY, 27 MAY

11:00 AM – 12:20 PM

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 answer clearly, in **Italian**, in the answer booklet provided. In the answer booklet you must clearly identify which statement 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.



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SECTION 1 — LISTENING — 30 marks

Attempt ALL questions

Item 1

Listen carefully to the following item about the rise of Smart Working in Italy, and then answer, in **English**, the questions below.

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| (a) | In what ways is Smart Working different from typical office work? | 2 |
| (b) | (i) What percentage of industries in Italy allow their employees to undertake Smart Working? | 1 |
| | (ii) What proportion of Italians are now undertaking Smart Working? | 1 |
| (c) | (i) What is one of the biggest advantages of Smart Working? | 1 |
| | (ii) In what ways is Smart Working less stressful? | 3 |
| (d) | What do critics of Smart Working complain about? | 2 |

Item 2

Listen carefully to Laura and Mauro talking about Smart Working, and then answer, in **English**, the questions below.

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| (a) | (i) What does Mauro warn Laura about? | 1 |
| | (ii) Where is Laura going? | 1 |
| (b) | (i) Why is Laura happy with her job at the moment? | 1 |
| | (ii) What does Laura say about her job? State any three things. | 3 |
| (c) | Why does Mauro think that he would not like Smart Working? State any two things. | 2 |
| (d) | (i) In what ways has Smart Working changed Laura's life for the better? Give any three details. | 3 |
| | (ii) What other advantage does Mauro suggest there is for Laura? | 1 |
| | (iii) According to Laura, in what ways have companies benefitted from allowing Smart Working? Give any three details. | 3 |
| (e) | (i) Smart Working has improved Laura's digital skills and those of her colleagues. In what ways? | 2 |
| | (ii) In what ways has working from home been a challenge for her colleagues? Give any three details. | 3 |

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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

Parlare un'altra lingua è la strada al successo nel mondo del lavoro.

4. Learning

La tecnologia ha trasformato il nostro modo di imparare.

5. Employability

Molti giovani italiani non trovano lavoro e decidono di trasferirsi all'estero.

6. Culture

Più si viaggia, più si capisce il mondo.

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