



National
Qualifications
RESOURCE

X831/75/03

**Gaelic (Learners)
Listening**

Marking Instructions

Please note that these marking instructions have not been standardised based on candidate responses. You may therefore need to agree within your centre how to consistently mark an item if a candidate response is not covered by the marking instructions.

General marking principles for National 5 Gaelic (Learners) Listening

This information is provided to help you understand the general principles you must apply when marking candidate responses to questions in this paper. These principles must be read in conjunction with the detailed marking instructions, which identify the key features required in candidate responses.

- (a) Marks for each candidate response must **always** be assigned in line with these general marking principles and the detailed marking instructions for this assessment.
- (b) Marking should always be positive. This means that, for each candidate response, marks are accumulated for the demonstration of relevant skills, knowledge and understanding: they are not deducted from a maximum on the basis of errors or omissions.
- (c) The marking instructions indicate the essential idea that a candidate should provide for each answer.
- (d) The answers for each question must come from the item.
- (e) There are a number of supported marks across the two items. Where there are supported marks in the form of a grid, award zero marks where a candidate ticks all boxes.
- (f) For questions that ask candidates to '**state**' or '**give**', candidates must give a brief, accurate response/name.

Marking instructions for each question

Question			Expected response(s)	Max mark	Additional guidance
					Do not accept:
1.	(a)		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> around 50 million [Box 1] 	1	
	(b)	(i)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> grown a lot 	1	
		(ii)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> different technology cheap clothes fancy/posh cars <p>Any 2 from 3</p>	2	
	(c)		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> more pupils are learning it 	1	
	(d)		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> historic buildings busy towns/cities 	2	
	(e)		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> it is the longest river in the country [Box 2] 	1	

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					Do not accept:
2.	(a)	(i)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • south of England 	1	England
		(ii)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 4 ½ hours 	1	
	(b)		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • every two years • beginning of August <p>Any 1 from 2</p>	1	August
	(c)		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • wet on first day • quite/very calm other days 	2	
	(d)		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • traditional dances • funny plays 	2	
	(e)		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • old and new music 	1	
	(f)		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • fish sandwich • fish caught that day <p>Any 1 from 2</p>	1	fish
	(g)		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • likes places by the sea/seaside • beautiful coast • can do water sports (there) 	3	

[END OF MARKING INSTRUCTIONS]