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Question 1

Translation of an unseen passage from Turkish into English – A good number of candidates answered this question with transferring the meaning of the passage correctly, but some were challenged to find some words' contextual meaning such as "unity" for "birlik", "demand" for "talep" and "household" for "hane".

Question 2

A multiple-choice question - targeted grades C to E. Quite good numbers of candidates were successfully answered all question showing their enjoyment with the reading text.

Question 3

A multiple-choice question- targeted grades A to E. Questions differentiated from recall to inferring at a higher level. Most candidates successfully answered questions 3C, and 3G but few of them evidently find some challenges to choose 3E as right answer.

Question 4

An open-ended response question-most of the candidates answered all questions correctly with some struggled to process the answer for Q(d) "özdeşim kurmak". Most candidates equally answered other questions with good success.

Question 5

An open-ended response question- nearly all of the candidates answered all questions correctly. This question targets grades A to E. Most candidates were successfully answered 5(a) and 5(b) though some of them contextually struggled to find the answer for 5(d) as it was a figure of speech (simile).

Question 6

Response to an unseen text in Turkish and critically analyse the statement and demonstrate knowledge and understanding of the research subject based on candidates chosen topic-This question was the second most popular chosen topic by the candidates.

In response to this research topic, candidates produced a range of thoughtful and well-structured responses and there was evidence that many had prepared well.

For example, in one answer the candidate after acknowledging some progress in urban area about equal access to vocational education for all students, s/he challenged with good, referenced information that it was not the case particularly for students with some disadvantages at the state schools in rural regions. Some candidate argued about difficulties for implementations public policies because of rapid increase of population and limited funding.

Question 7

Response to an unseen text in Turkish and critically analyse the statement and demonstrate knowledge and understanding of the research subject based on candidates chosen topic- This question was the least popular chosen topic by the candidates. In response to this research topic, candidates produced a range of thoughtful and well-structured responses and there was evidence that many had prepared well. For example, one candidate inscribed about increasing in celebration of national festivals in public areas like high roads of the municipal cities with popular participation. Also interestingly underlined that along with the traditional one's new types of celebrations started to appear as part of modern society like cultural events.

Question 8

Response to an unseen text in Turkish and critically analyse the statement and demonstrate knowledge and understanding of the research subject based on candidates chosen topic-

This question was the most popular chosen topic by the candidates. In response to this research topic, candidates produced a range of thoughtful and well-structured responses and there was evidence that many had prepared well.

For example, one candidate wrote about Türkiye's historical importance for many religions like Judaism, Christianity and Islam along with its prehistorical pagan believes go several millennia. Some of them also gave well referenced information about visiting places and monuments for universally popular traditions like "mevlevilik" and "bektaşilik". Accommodating such as rich and culturally important pilgrim centres in the land give the local population to establish a stable income source, one candidate argued. Even some of them predicted the gradually increase of tourist population for next decades.

Question 9

Response to an unseen text in Turkish and critically analyse the statement and demonstrate knowledge and understanding of the research subject based on candidates

chosen topic. This question was the second least popular chosen topic by the candidates. In response to this research topic, candidates produced a range of thoughtful and well-structured responses and there was evidence that many had prepared well. For example, some candidate underlined about changing humanitarian perspective of immigration by the resent economic hardship of the citizens of the country and these increase of the prejudice in some particular segments of society. Some of candidates even gave some good examples that because of currents changes on perception, refugee children were affected negatively and some of them even were missing their education opportunity for learning the language and integrating to the society.

Summary: Whole Paper Analysis

Overall, this is a second full scale exam with a good number of entries for this specification after the disruption of the pandemic. Although Ofqual still expect some differentiations of candidates' outcomes, we can see some positive samples regarding their participation and creativities particularly in their writing skills. The outcome show that the paper was well differentiated, at the right level and the questions were interesting and the topics were relevant. For a few, some of the vocabulary in translation and reading passages were still challenging. One can suggest this as a positive sign in terms of quality of the paper for next series which the fact that nearly all questions were answered by the candidates.

