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FRENCH

Unit 4: Writing in French

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Exemplar commentary 2

Controlled Assessment – Exemplar Material

PREFACE

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Notes on the Exemplar

Please note that:

- The exemplar materials are original candidate work and may contain grammatical errors and spelling mistakes.
- Some items may have been removed, such as references to individuals and places. Please refer to the notes by the Principal Examiner for specific references.

Example 2

Stimulus

Theme: Media and Culture

A French magazine is offering a cash prize for the best imaginary account of a day out with a famous person.

You could mention:

- The name of this famous person
- Why you chose this person
- Where you went
- What happened
- Why the day was enjoyable
- How you are going to spend the prize money

Candidate's response

J'ai choisi Steven Gerrard. J'ai choisi Steven Gerrard parce que il est bon à football. Il est grand et mince. Il a les cheveux châtain. Aussi il a les yeux brun. Il a une trentaine d'années. Il rassemble à Michael Buble. Je voudrais jouer au foot bein comme Steven Gerrard. Il est fantastique. Nous sommes aller au le stade de foot (Anfield) parce que j'adore le foot. Je me suis amuser. Je ne suis pas aller le terrain de golf parce que il pleut et venteux. Je rester a l'hôtel Holiday Inn. Quelquefois je rester á travelodge mais je préféré le Holiday Inn parce que c'est l'argent a entretien que le travelodge. Dans l'hôtel nous mange le petit dejeuner et le goûter. Je ne suis pas rester á ma maison par que c'est enneyeux. Je m'entends bien avec Steven Gerrard parce que il est vraiment drôle. Aussi il est sportif et actif. Je pense que le weekend prochaine nous allons aller á karting. A mon avis je suis meiller á karting que Steven Gerrard parce que j'ai la tactique. Si le gagnant je voudrais acheter avec le argent de prix le television cinquante centimetres parce que j'aime regardé la tele. Aussi j'ai besoin á moderniser ma television. Normalment j'ai besoin d'une plus grande taille club de golf. Je n'achete jamais la musique parce que c'est trop cher.

Principal Examiner's comments

Communication and content mark: 7

The stimulus encouraged candidates to use a variety of tenses, to give descriptions and to express opinions. The candidate had made notes and had drawn some pictures on the CA4 form. All the bullet points were attempted but in some cases only a reader with knowledge of English would be aware of this. The work was written as a single paragraph, and there was little attempt to link ideas. There appeared to be some irrelevant material and there was some repetition. Many sentences and phrases were somewhat ambiguous. Overall, the work was not easy to read. Nevertheless, the candidate produced a full-length response and could be given credit for this.

Knowledge and application of language mark: 4

The vocabulary used was quite limited, but some simple descriptions and opinions were expressed. Although verbs were particularly weak, there were a number of at least partially successful other structures – adjectives, subordination, negatives.

Accuracy mark: 2

There were many basic errors and a lot of these impeded communication. Some phrases were more or less correct, but the lack of control of verbs was a real weakness.

Total : 13 marks