

GCSE French / German / Spanish Writing Higher tier mark scheme

NAME	QUESTION 1 / 18 marks	QUESTION 2 / 22 marks	QUESTION 3 / 10 marks	TOTAL / 50 marks
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Question 1 – 80-90 words (18 marks)

AO2: Response to stimulus			Marks awarded / 13	AO3: Linguistic knowledge and accuracy			Marks awarded / 5
Mark	Descriptor				Mark	Descriptor			
13	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All four bullet points addressed Frequent development of ideas Response is comprehensible; an occasional message may be unclear. 				5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Some variety of vocabulary and grammatical structures, some extended sentences; occasional complex language Generally successful use of three timeframes Generally accurate language; some minor errors, there may be an occasional major error. 			
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10	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Three or more bullet points addressed Some development of ideas Response is generally comprehensible; some messages may be unclear/difficult to understand immediately. 				4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Occasional variety of vocabulary and grammatical structures; occasionally extended sentences Some successful use of at least two timeframes Some accurate language; mostly minor errors with some major errors. 			
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7	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Two or more bullet points addressed Occasional, brief development of ideas Some parts of response are comprehensible; the message sometimes breaks down. 				3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Limited variety of vocabulary and grammatical structures; short, simple sentences Limited success with timeframes Limited accuracy in the language; frequent errors both major and minor. 			
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4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> One or more bullet point addressed Little or no extra detail added to ideas Limited parts of response are comprehensible; the message often breaks down. 				2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Limited variety of vocabulary and grammatical structures; short, simple sentences Limited success with timeframes Limited accuracy in the language; frequent errors both major and minor. 			
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1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> One or more bullet point addressed Little or no extra detail added to ideas Limited parts of response are comprehensible; the message often breaks down. 				1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Limited variety of vocabulary and grammatical structures; short, simple sentences Limited success with timeframes Limited accuracy in the language; frequent errors both major and minor. 			
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0			No rewardable material.						
Comments:									

Question 2 – 130-150 words (22 marks)

AO2: Response to stimulus			Marks awarded / 17	AO3: Linguistic knowledge and accuracy			Marks awarded / 5
Mark	Descriptor				Mark	Descriptor			
17	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All four bullet points addressed Consistent development of ideas Response is easily comprehensible; it is rare that the message is not immediately clear. 				5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A wide variety of vocabulary and grammatical structures, frequent extended sentences; frequent complex language Consistently successful use of three timeframes Consistently accurate language; any errors are minor. 			
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13	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All four bullet points addressed Frequent development of ideas Response is comprehensible; the occasional message may be unclear. 				4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Some variety of vocabulary and grammatical structures; some extended sentences; some complex language Generally successful use of at least two timeframes Generally accurate language; mostly minor errors, occasional major errors. 			
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10	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Three or more bullet points addressed Some development of ideas Response is generally comprehensible; some messages may be unclear/difficult to understand immediately. 				3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Occasional variety of vocabulary and grammatical structures; occasionally extended sentences; there may be occasional use of complex language Occasional success with timeframes Some accurate language; frequent errors, some of them major. 			
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7	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Two or more bullet points addressed Occasional, brief development of ideas Some parts of the response are comprehensible; the message sometimes breaks down. 				2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Occasional variety of vocabulary and grammatical structures; occasionally extended sentences; there may be occasional use of complex language Occasional success with timeframes Some accurate language; frequent errors, some of them major. 			
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4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> One or more bullet point addressed Limited development of ideas, any extra detail is likely to be very brief Limited parts of the response are comprehensible; the message often breaks down. 				1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Occasional variety of vocabulary and grammatical structures; occasionally extended sentences; there may be occasional use of complex language Occasional success with timeframes Some accurate language; frequent errors, some of them major. 			
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1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> One or more bullet point addressed Limited development of ideas, any extra detail is likely to be very brief Limited parts of the response are comprehensible; the message often breaks down. 				0	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Occasional variety of vocabulary and grammatical structures; occasionally extended sentences; there may be occasional use of complex language Occasional success with timeframes Some accurate language; frequent errors, some of them major. 			
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0			No rewardable material.						
Comments:									

Question 3 – translation (10 marks)

AO2: Response to stimulus			Marks awarded / 6	AO3: Linguistic knowledge and accuracy			Marks awarded / 4
Mark	Descriptor				Mark	Descriptor			
6	The meaning of the original language is consistently and appropriately transferred; any lack of clarity is rare.				4	Vocabulary and grammatical structures are consistently accurate; any errors are minor.			
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4	The meaning of most of the original language is appropriately transferred; the occasional message may be unclear or incomplete.				3	Vocabulary and grammatical structures are generally accurate; minor errors occur, major errors are rare.			
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2	The meaning of some parts of the original language is appropriately transferred; the message sometimes breaks down or is incomplete.				2	Vocabulary and grammatical structures are sometimes accurate; errors include some major errors.			
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0	No rewardable material.				1	Vocabulary and grammatical structures are limited in accuracy; frequent errors occur, both major and minor.			
0	No rewardable material.				0	No rewardable material.			
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