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Question 1

Almost every candidates attempted all of the sections in this question. A significant number of candidates struggled in part (b) in communication as well as the quality of language hence, scored lower marks. Part (a) statement approved to be somewhat challenging for some candidates where the translation was not accurate enough to be rewarded with a full mark. In order to improve responses for future examinations, all candidates ensure that enough attention has been paid to each statement in this question.

Question 2

Most candidates attempted this question which was challenging. The style of the text was demanding to a degree. The candidates who scored top level marks demonstrated their overall command of both Turkish and English languages. Careful planning should be done before attempting the translation questions.

Question 3

This was certainly the most challenging part of this year's assessment. The key terminology and historical figures included as well as the detail expected to be translated were the main reasons for the challenge. Many of the candidates attempted this section. Most of those candidates completed the translation with various degrees of success. Candidates who prepared well demonstrated a high level of linguistic skills. It was clear that reading a wide range of sources helped them to achieve top-level marks.

Question 4

This section traditionally the candidates perform the best. Candidates who applied their knowledge and understanding from other subject areas such as Geography, Social sciences, Economics were very successful. The global warming (part a) and free compulsory education (part b) questions produced some very original ideas, showed some deep understanding of the issues in return they scored considerably higher than others with less depth. The question on fashion (part c) was popular to a certain extent. Candidates should always think outside of the box and write with flair and originality to score top marks in such questions. Most of the responses to the volunteering question were strong and gained high marks.

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