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#### **Generic Marking Principles**

These general marking principles must be applied by all examiners when marking candidate answers. They should be applied alongside the specific content of the mark scheme or generic level descriptors for a question. Each question paper and mark scheme will also comply with these marking principles.

**GENERIC MARKING PRINCIPLE 1:** 

Marks must be awarded in line with:

- the specific content of the mark scheme or the generic level descriptors for the question •
- the specific skills defined in the mark scheme or in the generic level descriptors for the question •
- the standard of response required by a candidate as exemplified by the standardisation scripts. •

**GENERIC MARKING PRINCIPLE 2:** 

Marks awarded are always whole marks (not half marks, or other fractions).

#### **GENERIC MARKING PRINCIPLE 3:**

Marks must be awarded **positively**:

- marks are awarded for correct/valid answers, as defined in the mark scheme. However, credit is given for valid answers which go beyond the scope of the syllabus and mark scheme, referring to your Team Leader as appropriate
- marks are awarded when candidates clearly demonstrate what they know and can do •
- marks are not deducted for errors .
- marks are not deducted for omissions
- answers should only be judged on the quality of spelling, punctuation and grammar when these features are specifically assessed by the • question as indicated by the mark scheme. The meaning, however, should be unambiguous.

**GENERIC MARKING PRINCIPLE 4:** 

Rules must be applied consistently e.g. in situations where candidates have not followed instructions or in the application of generic level descriptors.

**GENERIC MARKING PRINCIPLE 5:** 

Marks should be awarded using the full range of marks defined in the mark scheme for the question (however; the use of the full mark range may be limited according to the quality of the candidate responses seen).

**GENERIC MARKING PRINCIPLE 6:** 

Marks awarded are based solely on the requirements as defined in the mark scheme. Marks should not be awarded with grade thresholds or grade descriptors in mind.

#### **1** General Marking Principles

#### 1.1 Crossing out:

(a) If a candidate changes his/her mind over an answer and crosses out an attempt, award a mark if the final attempt is correct.

(b) If a candidate crosses out an answer to a whole question but makes no second attempt at it, mark the crossed out work.

# 1.2 For Questions 2 and 3, if the candidate has written an answer in the space provided for that purpose, you should ignore anything written anywhere else, unless:

(a)	there is an indication from the candidate that other material should be considered.
(b)	the candidate has continued their answer outside the space provided.
(c)	there is no answer in the space provided.

#### **1.3** Annotation used in the Mark Scheme:

(a)	tc = 'tout court' and means that on its own the material is not sufficient to score the mark.
(b)	BOD = benefit of the doubt and is used to indicate that the Examiner has considered the answer/that part of the answer and judged it to be more correct than incorrect: the benefit of the doubt is given to the candidate and the mark is awarded.

#### **1.4** No response and '0' marks

There is a NR (No Response) option in **RM Assessor**.

#### Award NR (No Response):

If there is nothing written at all in the answer space or

If there is only a comment which does not in any way relate to the question being asked (e.g. 'can't do' or 'don't know') or If there is only a mark which isn't an attempt at the question (e.g. a dash, a question mark).

#### Award 0:

If there is any attempt that earns no credit. This could, for example, include the candidate copying all or some of the question, or any working that does not earn any marks, whether crossed out or not.

- **1.5 Optional questions**: You must mark all questions attempted by the candidate. Where a question has not been attempted then NR must be entered. (For Question 3 only, after marking the question(s) the candidate has answered, NR is populated automatically when you click on 'Complete'.) Where the candidate attempts more than one of the alternatives in Question 3, RM Assessor will automatically only aggregate the candidate's best result.
- **1.6** Spellings recognised by the Académie Française will be accepted.

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Question	Answer	Marks		
Question <sup>•</sup>				
Candidates	are required to list 8 items in French. Read all of the items that the candidate has listed and award marks as follows:			
	the most correct items up to a maximum of 5. Award 1 mark for each correct item up to a maximum of 5. Stop ticking once 5 ite been rewarded.	ms		
(ii) On Qu	estion 1, award marks for items wherever the candidate has written them.			
words	candidate offers more than one word per line, award a mark for each acceptable item (e.g. where a candidate has linked t as in gâteau au chocolat / gâteau chocolat = 1 tick; however gâteau et chocolat / gâteau, chocolat (candidate intends these as t = 2 ticks).			
(iv) The pi	ctures provided on the question paper are only suggestions.			
	or communication. Tolerate inaccuracies, provided the message is clear. Ignore any definite / indefinite article, possessive adjec nore any verbs.	ctive,		
have e • 'If ii • Loo • If th me	ing is questionable, start by referring to the detailed mark scheme. Refer to the bullet points below if no decision on the spelling encountered is recorded there. In doubt, sound it out': if you read what the candidate has written, does it sound like the correct answer? ok-alike test: does what the candidate has written look like the correct answer, e.g. one letter missing but no other word created. The first part of the word is correct, small errors in what comes next are less likely to impede communication (unless they suggest aning). ere letters are transposed, the word is likely to communicate (unless another word has been created).			
	marking proper starts, if there are five clearly acceptable items, award marks wherever these are in the list. This approach ma onable versions to be ignored.	ay allow		
<ul><li>gât</li><li>gât</li><li>gât</li></ul>	e all nouns which are repeated and which do not have a separate meaning: eau, gâteau au chocolat: award one mark to each item eau au chocolat, gâteau à la crème: award one mark to each item eau, gâteau au chocolat, chocolat: award one mark to each item eau, grand gâteau: award one mark for the first gâteau			
(ix) Reject	misspelt words which suggest a word with a quite different meaning. Where nouns are usually plural, accept the singular and vi	се		

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Question	Answer			Marks
1	<i>Mes cadeaux d'anniversaire</i> Faites une liste, <b>en français</b> , de <b>8</b> cadeaux que vous voulez pour votre anniversaire.			
	ACCEPT	ACCEPT	REFUSE	
	argent		agent	
	baskets / tennis	baskette / tenis		
	bonbons / chocolat	bon bons	chocolate	
	chaussettes	chaucette / chausett / chausset / chossette	chasutte / chaussée / chosette	
	chaussures	chaussuere / chausure / chossure	chausser / chassure / chasseurs / chausseur(e) / chausseuse / chosure / chaussée	
1 M Fa a b b c c fi g li o p p p p p p p s v	fleurs / plante	fleure		
	gâteau		gâteu	
	livre / BD / roman	liver	lirves	
	ordinateur / ordi		ordinator	
	parapluie / parasol			
	parfum / eau de toilette	parfume	perfume	
	portable / iPad / mobile / téléphone			
	portefeuille / porte-monnaie			
	pull / sweat / tricot		pule	
F - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - -	sac	sack		
	vélo / bicyclette			
	vêtements	vêtments		

Question	Answer	Marks
Question		
Candidates	are required to answer the question. Read the whole answer and award marks as follows:	
	unication: award a mark out of 10, according to the instructions in 2.1. age: award a mark out of 5, according to the instructions in 2.2.	

Question	Answer	Marks
2	Mes loisirs	15
	2.1: Award a mark out of 10 for Communication	
	(i) Place the appropriate 'numbered' tick as close as possible to each relevant communication point in the body of the answer.	
	<ul> <li>(ii) Award ticks flexibly across the tasks for each piece of relevant information conveyed, up to a maximum of 10. HOWEVER, each of the tasks must be covered to get the 10 communication marks:</li> <li><u>If 1 of the tasks is missing</u>, the maximum communication mark is 9.</li> <li><u>If 2 of the tasks are missing</u>, the maximum communication mark is 8 (and so on).</li> </ul>	
	(iii) Add up the ticks to give a mark out of 10 for Communication.	
	<ul> <li>(iv) For COMMUNICATION</li> <li>Look for a verb (finite or infinitive) before awarding a mark. Lists without a verb will not score.</li> <li>See Appendix II for rules on how to decide whether a verb is accurate enough to convey meaning.</li> <li>For language other than verbs, use 'rules' in Question 1: look alike, sound alike, etc.</li> <li>Misplaced adjectives, negatives and adverbs will not usually compromise communication.</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>(v) <u>LISTS</u> = a maximum of 3 marks for communication: lists of 1–3 items = 1 mark; lists of 4 items = 2 marks; lists of 5–6 items = 3 marks</li> <li>elle <u>a</u> les cheveux noirs avec de beaux yeux et une petite bouche (1 verb, therefore treat as list of 3 items)</li> <li>elle <u>a</u> les cheveux noirs, <u>est</u> de taille moyenne, et elle <u>est</u> jolie (3 verbs therefore each piece of information can score a separate communication mark)</li> </ul>	
	(vi) Only reward each piece of information once, e.g. elle est super cannot score both as description and reason for liking (elle est super et sa musique est super can both be rewarded as they each contain a different extra detail.	
	(vii) Do not penalise factual errors.	
	(viii) What the candidate writes may not follow the order of the tasks on the question paper – this is fine.	

Question		Answer	Marks
2	Tick	Accept	
	√1	Quels sont vos loisirs préférés ?	
		Reward any statement relating to candidates' favourite pastimes.	
		Mes loisirs préférés sont le basket et le volley J'aime lire Je joue au foot	
		J'adore jouer au foot <b>tous les jours</b> $\sqrt{1}\sqrt{1}$ if no qualifying statement for $\sqrt{2}$	
	√2	Quand faites-vous ces activités ?	
		Reward any statement relating to when candidates do their pastimes.	
		Je tricote le soir J'aime lire en hiver Je les fais quand j'ai du temps libre Je fais du dessin tous les jours Je pratique le surf au moins deux fois par semaine Nous allons deux fois par semaine pour jouer dans le parc	
		J'aime jouer aux jeux-vidéos avec mes amis <b>souvent</b> $\sqrt{2}\sqrt{2}$ if no qualifying statement for $\sqrt{3}$	
	√3	Avec qui aimez-vous passer votre temps libre ?	
		Reward any statement relating to with whom the candidate likes to spend their free time.	
		J'aime passer mon temps libre avec mes amis	
		Refuse votre / vos temps libre	

Question	on Answer		
2	√4	<ul> <li>Préférez-vous être dehors ou à l'intérieur ? Expliquez pourquoi.</li> <li>Reward any statement relating to whether candidates prefer to be inside or outside.</li> <li>Reward any statement relating to the candidates' choice.</li> <li>Je préfère être à l'intérieur √4 parce qu'il y a moins de bruit √4</li> </ul>	
	√5	<ul> <li>parce que j'habite en Malaysie où il fait chaud √4</li> <li>Je préfère rester à/dans la maison √4 parce que c'est plus confortable √4</li> <li>Expliquez quelles nouvelles activités vous aimeriez faire à l'avenir.</li> </ul>	
		<b>Reward</b> any statement relating to what new pastimes the candidates would like to do in the future. Je voudrais chanter $\checkmark 5$ et jouer de la guitare $\checkmark 5$ Je voudrais essayer le dessin et la cuisine $\checkmark 5$ parce que je voudrais rester en forme $\checkmark 5$	

Question		Answer	Marks
2	<u>2.2:</u> A	ward a mark out of 5 for Language	
		d a mark out of 5 for Language*, according to the Grade descriptors in the table below (see <i>Note on using mark</i> nes with Grade descriptors (Appendix I)).	
	Grade	e descriptors for Language (Question 2)	
	5	Straightforward vocabulary and structure. The style of writing is basic, but reasonably coherent. Use of a limited range of verbs, generally successful. More accuracy than inaccuracy.	
	4	Basic vocabulary and structure. Some awareness of verb usage, but inconsistent. The writing is sufficiently accurate for meaning to be conveyed.	
	3	Very basic vocabulary and structure. Little awareness of verb usage (e.g. infinitives regularly used instead of finite verbs). Despite regular errors, the writing often conveys some meaning.	
	2	A few phrases or short sentences are accurate enough to be comprehensible. Very simple sentence structure.	
	1	Disjointed words or short phrases, one or two of them accurate enough to be comprehensible.	
	0	One or two disjointed words or short phrases may be recognisable.	
	*Cons	sider the whole answer when awarding mark for language	
		Total for Communication: 10 Total for Language: 5 Total for Question 2: 15	marks

Question	Answer Ma					
Question 3						
Candidates	answer 1 question from a choice of 3. Read the whole answer and award marks as follows:					
<ul><li>Commu</li><li>Langua</li></ul>	nication: award a mark out of 10, according to the instructions in 3.1. ge: award a mark out of 8 for Verbs, according to the instructions in 3.2. award a mark out of 12 for Other linguistic features, according to the instructions in 3.3.					
For questi	on-specific guidance, see later in this mark scheme.					
3.1: Award	a mark out of 10 for Communication					
i) There	are 5 relevant communication points per question, each worth a maximum of 2 marks.					
	ch relevant communication point, use the appropriate numbered tick and place up to 2 of these ticks as close as possible to each It communication point (in the body of the answer).	ch				
2 ticks	Message clearly communicated. Minor errors (adjective endings, use of prepositions etc.) are tolerated.					
	Communication of some meaning is achieved, but the message may be ambiguous or incomplete.					
1 tick						

(iv) Add up the ticks to give a mark out of 10 for Communication.

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Question		Answ	ver		Marks
3.2: Awarc	d a mark out of 8 for accurate use o	of Verbs			
s <b>pecific g</b> (i) Place (ii) Place	uidance, see later in this mark sche	e <b>me.</b> ach correct verb, up to a ma: e accent/tilde.	ximum of 18 ticks (deta	is appropriate for the response. <b>For que</b> ails of how to award ticks are provided be	
. ,	Con	version table for accurate	use of Verbs (Questi	on 3)	
		Number of ticks	Mark		
		18+	8		
		16,17	7		
				1	

6

5

4

3

2

1

0

14,15

12,13

10,11

8,9

6,7

4,5

0,1,2,3

How to award ticks for accurate use of Verbs (Question 3):

(a) Subject (noun or pronoun) + any finite verb

- both subject and verb must be correct for the verb to score a tick
- verb must be in the appropriate tense to score a tick
- inaccuracies in the use of accents are ignored except in the case of *-er* verbs and *être* where there must be an accent on the past participle in a compound tense, and the absence of such an accent in the present tense
- do not tick verbs contained in the 'letter etiquette': appropriate beginnings and endings to letters are considered for reward under Other linguistic features.

Question	Answe	er	Marl
Tick	No tick	Note	
Je suis (✓)			
J'aime (✓)	Je aime ( <i>no tick</i> )	«Je n'aime ( $\checkmark$ ) (pas) le camping»	
Je ne aime (✓) pas		treat as misuse of negative, not misuse of verb: verb is ticked	
II est allé (✓)	Il est allée (no tick)	insist on correct agreement	
	Les proffesseurs sont ( <i>no tick</i> ) gentils	incorrect subject	
	Le voiture s'est approché (no tick)	incorrect subject	
Les nouveau professeurs sont (✓) gentils		«Les professeurs» is the subject and is correctly spelt. The incorrect adjective does not prevent the tick being awarded	
Les invites sont arrivés (✓)		missing accent on noun does not prevent tick being awarded	
	Les invités sont arrives (no tick)	past participle must have accent for tick to be awarded; grave is tolerated	
La site que j'ai adoré (✓)		despite wrong gender of noun the verb is correct	
	La site que j'ai adorée	gender of noun wrong; «site» is not a feminine noun, therefore verb should not agree and is not ticked	
Le site j'ai adoré (✓)		«que» clauses where the «que» is missing: tick the verb; take absence of «que» into account when awarding mark for Other linguistic features	
Mon frère a ( $\checkmark$ ) sept ans. Il y a ( $\checkmark$ ) 30 enfants dans sa classe		for «il y a/avait», allow the impersonal use to count as an extra	

#### Question Marks Answer With direct and indirect object pronouns Tick No tick Note Je l'aime ( $\checkmark$ ) Je le joue ( $\checkmark$ ) Je se joue (no tick) first example – «je joue» is correct despite incorrect object pronoun; second example - «jouer» is not a reflexive verb Je lave $(\checkmark)$ les voitures Je me lave (no tick) les voitures «laver» should not be used reflexively in this statement Je ťai dit (✓) J'ai te dit (✓) basic verb formation is correct Je les ai achetés ( $\checkmark$ ) Je les ai acheté (no tick) past participle must agree in number and gender with preceding direct object for verb tick to be awarded With « y » and « en » Tick No tick Note J'y vais ( $\checkmark$ ) / Elle en achète ( $\checkmark$ ) Je vais $(\checkmark)$ y en voiture correct «je vais» scores despite incorrect position of «y» Elle achète (√) en correct «elle achète» scores despite incorrect position of «en»

#### Passive

Tick	No tick	Note
Elle a été attrapée (✓)		
Les vélos ont été vendus (✓)		

Question		Ans	wer	Marks
Reflexive				
Tick		No tick	Note	
Elle s'est	levée (√)	Elle est se levée (no tick)		
Je me lav	re (√) les mains			
Je me sui ma mère	is réveillé (✓) et j'ai réveillé (✓)		correct use of a reflexive and non-reflexive verb can both be credited	۱
Impersona	al			
Tick		No tick	Note	
C'est com	nique (√)			
ll y a (√)			<ul> <li>«Ilya» (✓) all right letters and in right order (by same rule «yatil» also gains a tick)</li> <li>«Il y a» does not score in expressions meaning 'ago'</li> </ul>	1
Est-ce qu	e (√)			
With nega	tive		· · ·	

Tick	No tick	Note
lls ne jouent pas (✓)		tick is awarded for the correct verb; the negative is
Ils ne pas jouent (✓)		considered for reward in 'Other linguistic features'
Je ne aime (✓) pas		

## Sequence of tenses

Tick	No tick	Note
Si j'avais ( $\checkmark$ ) le choix je voudrais ( $\checkmark$ )		
Si j'ai eu ( <i>no tick</i> ) le choix je voudrais ( $\checkmark$ )		if sequence is incorrect, both verbs cannot be rewarded
Quand j'ai fini <i>(no tick)</i> de déjeuner (✓) je suis sorti (✓)		in time clauses, the pluperfect must be used for the verb to be rewarded. In other cases the perfect is acceptable

Question	Answer	Answer		
Quand j'avais fini (✓) de déjeuner (✓) suis sorti (✓)	je			
Single auxiliary with multiple past pa	articiples			
Tick	No tick	Note		
Nous avons chanté ( $\checkmark$ ) et dansé ( $\checkmark$ )		Nous avons chanté = tick; Nous avons dansé = tick		
Correct verb within meaningless sta	tement			
Tick	No tick	Note		
La journée est (✓) longue	La journée est (no tick) intelligente	do not reward correct verb in a meaningless statement		
(b) Imperative				
Tick	No tick	Note		
Viens (✓)				
Ne touche pas (✓)				
(c) Interrogative				
Tick	No tick	Note		
		question mark not required for mark to be awarded		
Tu viens? (✓) / Tu viens. (✓)				
Tu viens? ( $\checkmark$ ) / Tu viens. ( $\checkmark$ ) Est-ce que ( $\checkmark$ ) tu viens(?) ( $\checkmark$ )				

Question		ł	Answer	Marks	
(d) Infinitiv	) Infinitive				
Tick		No tick	Note		
Je veux (v	✓) sortir (✓)				
Je veut (n	o tick) sortir (✓)		award tick for any correct dependent infinitive, even if main verb is incorrect / in the wrong tense		
Je veux (v	✓) sortier ( <i>no tick</i> )				
II a comm	encé (✓) à pleuvoir (✓)				
II a comm	ence ( <i>no tick</i> ) à pleuvoir (✓)				
II a comm	encé (✓) de pleuvoir ( <i>no tick</i> )				
J'ai essay	é (✓) de travailler (✓)				
Il m'aide ( <i>no tick</i> ) à préparer le repas (✓)			a past tense required by the task: main verb is, therefore, ir the wrong tense, but dependent infinitive is correct and is ticked	I	
Visiter (✓) importan	d'autres pays est (✓) it				
Sans hési	ter (✓)	Sans hésité (no tick)			
	✓) sortir (✓) parce que je veux aller (✓) aux magasins		<i>je veux</i> can only score once, but different infinitives can each score if correct		
	e arrivé(e) (✓) il/(elle) a ✓) un sandwich				
Après être pleuvoir	e sorti il a commencé (✓) à (✓)		the subject of the perfect infinitive is not the subject of the main verb		
Après avo	ir mangé (✓) je suis sorti (✓)				

Question	Answer				
Ticking forms of the verb in the future: is the future tense appropriate to the task?					
Tick	No tick	Note			
Nous allons (✓) jouer (✓) au te	ennis				
Je vais (√) regardé (no tick) u	n film	in all these cases the future tense is appropriate to the task			
Elle vas ( <i>no tick</i> ) arriver ( $\checkmark$ ) ce	e soir	on the question paper so both the finite verb and the infinitive are ticked in the normal way			
Je vais (no tick) aller (no tick)	en ville	task is: what did you do last weekend? Future tense is not appropriate therefore do not tick either verb			
(e) Inversion					
	No tick	Note			
Tick					
<pre>IICk     «…» a-t-il dit (✓)</pre>	a-t-il dis ( <i>no tick</i> )	accept both normal word order and inversion after direct	_		
«…» a-t-il dit (✓)		accept both normal word order and inversion after direct			
«…» a-t-il dit (✓) «…» il a dit (✓)	a-t-il dis ( <i>no tick</i> )	accept both normal word order and inversion after direct			
<ul> <li>«» a-t-il dit (✓)</li> <li>«» il a dit (✓)</li> <li>Viens-tu (✓) / Viens tu (✓)</li> </ul>	a-t-il dis ( <i>no tick</i> )	accept both normal word order and inversion after direct			
<ul> <li>«» a-t-il dit (✓)</li> <li>«» il a dit (✓)</li> <li>Viens-tu (✓) / Viens tu (✓)</li> <li>(f) Participle (past or presented)</li> </ul>	t)	accept both normal word order and inversion after direct speech			
«» a-t-il dit ( $\checkmark$ )«» il a dit ( $\checkmark$ )Viens-tu ( $\checkmark$ ) / Viens tu ( $\checkmark$ )(f) Participle (past or presentTick	t)	accept both normal word order and inversion after direct speech			

Questi	Answer	Marks
(g) Re • •	I only the first occurrence of a verb, e.g. me (✓) la natation. J'aime ( <i>no tick</i> ) aussi le tennis me (✓) la natation. Je n'aime ( <i>no tick</i> ) pas le tennis ns ma région il y a (✓) des montagnes et des rivières. Il y a ( <i>no tick</i> ) aussi des…	
Hc • • •	<ul> <li>er,</li> <li>préfère (✓) la natation et mon frère préfère (✓) le tennis – 2 different persons of the verb</li> <li>n frère préfère (✓) la natation et ma sœur préfère (<i>no tick</i>) le tennis – both third person usage</li> <li>e est (✓) fâchée, ce n'est (<i>no tick</i>) pas amusant – both third person usage</li> <li>me suis réveillé (✓) et j'ai réveillé (✓) ma mère: correct use of a reflexive and non-reflexive verb can both be credited</li> <li>n frère a (✓) sept ans. Il y a (✓) 30 enfants dans sa classe: with «il y a/avait» allow the impersonal use to be credited as an expense applies to «est-ce que» and «il/elle est»)</li> </ul>	ktra (the
<u>3.3: Av</u>	a mark out of 12 for Other linguistic features	
(i)	rd a mark out of 12 for Other linguistic features, according to the Grade descriptors in the table below (please see Note on usir mes with Grade descriptors (Appendix I)).	ng mark
(ii)	the highlighter marking tool to highlight the first new use of any correct usage. Use the highlighter marking tool to underline a itable attempt at a structure. This annotation is intended to help you arrive at an appropriate mark. Therefore, the kinds of thing ight/underline will vary according to the quality of work, e.g. for a mark of 7/8 to be awarded the assumption is that 'spelling of mon words, genders, adjectival agreements and basic prepositions are almost always correct' so annotation will focus on the c ess with more complex language.	
(iii)	sider the extent to which the following are used correctly and appropriately when assessing the candidate's control of structure ubordinate clauses, including <i>car / parce que, qui</i> and <i>que</i> (relative pronouns), <i>ce qui</i> and <i>ce que</i> . Indirect or reported speech <i>ue, je pense que</i> ). Time clauses with <i>quand</i> , <i>pendant que</i> etc. and <i>si</i> (= if) bject pronouns ( <i>il m'a dit</i> ) and 'strong' pronouns ( <i>chez nous</i> etc.) onjunctions other than <i>et</i> and linking words (e.g. <i>cependant, malheureusement, toutefois</i> ) repositions – Time: <i>depuis, pendant, pour, du… au…</i> etc / – Place: <i>en, dans</i> etc. egatives dverbs djectives, including possessives and demonstratives. Also comparatives and superlatives xpressions of quantity artitive articles, especially <i>de</i> after negative, use of <i>du, de la, des</i>	
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Question	n Answer	Marks
Grade de	escriptors for Other linguistic features (Question 3)	
11–12	<ul> <li>Uses a wide range of structures effectively; produces longer, fluent sentences with ease.</li> <li>Highly accurate at this level, though not necessarily faultless.</li> <li>Makes effective use of a wide range of vocabulary fully appropriate to the task.</li> </ul>	
9–10	<ul> <li>Attempts a range of structures with a good degree of success.</li> <li>More complex language usually error-free^^.</li> <li>Uses a variety of relevant vocabulary at this level.</li> </ul>	
7–8	<ul> <li>In control of simple structures. Varied success with more complex structures.</li> <li>Accuracy is fairly consistent throughout*. Errors may occur when more ambitious language is attempted.</li> <li>Has sufficient vocabulary to add some interest to the writing.</li> </ul>	
5–6	<ul> <li>Attempts more than basic structures.</li> <li>On balance, the work is more accurate than inaccurate.</li> <li>Straightforward vocabulary relevant to the task.</li> </ul>	
3–4	<ul> <li>Reliant on basic structures.</li> <li>Some examples of correct language. Meaning usually conveyed.</li> <li>Basic vocabulary.</li> </ul>	
1–2	A few phrases or short sentences are accurate enough to be comprehensible. Very simple sentence structure.	
0	One or two disjointed words or short phrases may be recognisable.	
	inate clauses, linking words, object pronouns, comparative adjectives/adverbs, strong negatives usually error free. of common words, genders, adjectival agreements and basic prepositions are almost always correct.	
	Total for Communication: 1 Total for Verbs: Total for Other linguistic features: 1 Total for Question 3: 3	8 marks 2 marks

Question		Answer		Marks	
3(a)	Une fêt	e de famille		30	
	3.1: Award a mark out of 10 for Communication – see generic guidance above				
	Tick	Accept	Mark		
	√1	Décrivez où <u>et</u> quand la fête a eu lieu.	2		
		Candidates to describe where and when the party took place.			
		La fête a eu lieu chez moi samedi dernier			
		La fête a eu lieu au restaurant √1 La fête a eu lieu dimanche √1			
		If the details are in two separate sentences, the verb must be correct in each statement			
	√2	Qu'est-ce que les invités ont fait pendant la fête ?	2		
		Candidates to describe what the guests did during the party.			
		Les invités ont dansé Nous avons mangé			
		On a dansé Les invités ont chanté Mon père a chanté			
		J'ai parlé à mon oncle √2			

Question		Answer		Marks
3(a)	√3	Qu'est-ce que vous aimez le plus pendant les fêtes de famille ?	2	
		Candidates to explain what they like best during parties		
		J'aime voir mes grands-parents		
		J'aime jouer avec mes cousins		
		bien manger		
		J'ai pu parler à mes cousins $\sqrt{3}$ (wrong tense)		
	√4	Quels problèmes peut-on avoir pendant les fêtes de famille ?	2	
		Candidates to explain what can go wrong.		
		On peut trop manger		
		Il y a souvent des disputes		
		Je peux tomber malade √4 (specific detail)		
		Il y a eu une dispute √4 (wrong tense)		
	√5	À quelle sorte de fête aimeriez-vous aller la prochaine fois ?	2	
		Candidates say what type of celebration they would like to attend next time.		
		J'aimerais aller à une fête à la plage		
		à un mariage		
		J'aimerais aller à un concert √5		

3(a)			
5(a)	Communication point	For Verbs, accept:	
	1	Past	
	2	Past	
	3	Present	
	4	Present	
	5	Conditional	
		for accurate use of Verbs – see generic guidance above	

Question		Answer		Marks
3(b)		cances un peu différentes ard a mark out of 10 for Communication – see generic guidance above		30
	Tick	Accept	Mark	
	√1 √2	<ul> <li>Expliquez pourquoi vous n'êtes pas parti(e) en vacances cette année.</li> <li>Candidates explain why they did not go on holiday.</li> <li>Je ne suis pas parti(e) à cause du Covid Nous ne sommes pas partis parce que ma mère était malade On est resté à la maison parce qu'on n'avait pas d'argent</li> <li>Vous avez organisé des activités spéciales. Donnez des détails.</li> <li>Candidates describe some special activities they organised.</li> <li>J'ai organisé un barbecue dans le jardin Nous avons organisé un pique-nique</li> <li>J'ai joué au foot √2 Je suis allé(e) au cinéma √2</li> </ul>	2	
	√3	Qu'est-ce que vous aimez faire quand vous partez en vacances ?         Candidates describe what they like to do when they go on holiday.         J'aime visiter des endroits historiques         faire du sport         manger         faire des courses         Nous aimons passer les vacances à l'hôtel / partir à l'étranger / aller en vacances avec mes amis         Je visite un château √3	2	

			Answer		Mark
b)	√4	-	l <b>important d'avoir des vacances ?</b> Iain why holidays are important.	2	
		II est important o On a besoin de			
			axer √4 (specific detail) t de… √4 (wrong tense)		
	√5	Comment aime	eriez-vous passer vos prochaines vacances ?	2	
		Candidates exp	lain how they would like to spend their next holiday.		
		J'aimerais aller visiter l'Italie partir avec m			
		Je vais aller au	Japon $\sqrt{5}\sqrt{5}$ but no reward for wrong tense verbs, conditional expected		
	Comn	nunication point	For Verbs, accept:		
	Comn 1	nunication point	For Verbs, accept: Past		
		nunication point			
	1	nunication point	Past		
	1 2	nunication point	Past Past		

Question		Answer		Mark
3(c)	-	nne de voiture ard a mark out of 10 for Communication – see generic guidance above		3
	Tick	Accept	Mark	
	√1	Où est-ce que vous alliez quand vous avez entendu le bruit ?	2	
		Candidates to indicate where they were going when they heard the noise.		
		On rentrait à la maison J'allais à l'école		
	√2	Quelle a été la réaction de votre mère à ce moment-là ?	2	
		Mother's reaction then.		
		Elle a paniqué Elle était en colère		
	√3	Qu'est-ce que votre mère a fait pour pouvoir continuer votre voyage ?	2	
		What mother did to be able to continue on the journey.		
		Ma mère a appelé son amie Elle a téléphoné à papa		
	√4	Comment avez-vous passé votre temps pendant la panne ?	2	
		How candidates spent their time during the breakdown.		
		J'ai écouté de la musique J'ai joué sur mon portable		

uestion			Answer		Marks
	√5	Qu'est-ce que v	ous avez pensé de cet incident ?	2	
		What candidates	thought of the incident.		
		Ça m'a énervé(e	)		
	Communication point		For Verbs, accept:		
	1 2 3 4		Past		
			Past		
			Past		
			Past		
	5		Past		
	<u>3.2: Aw</u>	vard a mark out of	<u> 8 for accurate use of Verbs – see generic guidance above</u>		
	<u>3.3: Aw</u>	vard a mark out of	<u> 12 for Other linguistic features – see generic guidance above</u>		

#### Appendix I

#### Note on using mark schemes with Grade descriptors

It is important that you award marks positively. In order to ensure that you reward achievement rather than penalise failure or omissions, you should start at the bottom of the mark scheme and work upwards through the descriptors when awarding marks.

You should adopt a 'best fit' approach. You must select the set of descriptors provided in the mark scheme that most closely describes the quality of the work being marked. As you work upwards through the mark scheme, you will eventually arrive at a set of descriptors that fits the candidate's performance. When you reach this point, you should always then check the descriptors in the band above to confirm whether or not there is just enough evidence to award a mark in the higher band.

For example, when marking Question 3 you may find that a candidate uses a variety of relevant vocabulary but has varied success with more complex structures. In such cases, you will need to award a mark that takes into account both the strengths and weaknesses of the piece of work.

To select the most appropriate mark within each set of descriptors, use the following guidance:

- If most of the descriptors fit the piece (and after you have considered the band above), award the top mark in the band.
- If there is just enough evidence (and you had perhaps been considering the band below), award the lowest mark in the band.

#### Note on irrelevant material in Question 3

In the case of an answer which is completely irrelevant to the chosen question (3(a) or 3(b) or 3(c)), a mark of 0 is given for Communication and for Language.

In cases where the chosen question was clearly attempted but communication of the set tasks was not achieved (e.g. due to inadequate language control), a score of 0 is given for Communication. Language marks (for Verbs and Other linguistic features) are based on any phrases that do communicate meaning.

Irrelevant material that has been included in an otherwise relevant answer does not score for Communication or for Verbs. Communication marks and Verb marks are awarded for the relevant parts of the answer only. The mark for Other linguistic features is based on the whole answer.

#### **Appendix II: Communication**

#### Rules on how to decide whether a verb is accurate enough to convey meaning

#### Communication

- an attempt at a verb is required for any communication mark to be awarded
- for QUESTION 2, candidates score 1 or 0 marks for each piece of relevant information they communicate. For a sentence/phrase to be considered for the award of a mark for communication, the verb must meet or go beyond the criteria outlined in B.
- for QUESTION 3, candidates score 2, 1 or 0 marks for communicating each task. For the criteria the verb must fulfil in order for a sentence/phrase to be considered for the award of 2 marks for communication, see A below. For the criteria the verb must fulfil for a sentence/phrase to be considered for the award of 1 mark for communication, see B below.
- where a verb fits the criteria for C, the mark for communication is 0
- although some allowances are made for faulty verbs when awarding COMMUNICATION marks (see below), in order for a verb to score a LANGUAGE tick, it must be correct
- 'ticks' for communication are to be placed just above the end of the qualifying sentence/phrase

# A <u>QUESTION 3 ONLY</u>: where <u>THE VERB IS APPROPRIATE IN THE MEANING IT CONVEYS AND THE TIME FRAME IS APPROPRIATE</u>, 2 communication marks are awarded in the following cases.

(i)	) For 2 communication marks: accept a Present where a Future context is apparent			
	<i>L'an prochain je voyage en France</i> = 2 for communication.	(Je voyage receives a tick for verb)		
(ii)	For 2 communication marks: accept the use of a Future w	hen a Conditional would be correct and vice versa		
(iii)	For 2 communication marks: accept a 'phonetic version' of the correct time frame			
	J'ai passer/passez les vacances = 2 for communication Les gens pense/pensait que = 2 for communication II a commencé à joué = 2 for communication	( <i>II a commencé à joue</i> = 1 for communication – <i>joue</i> is not phonetic)		
(iv)	For 2 communication marks: accept the use of any past tense when a past is required, even when a different past tense would be grammatically correct or appropriate			
	Allow Perfect, Imperfect, Pluperfect or Past Historic. Ignore inconsistency of the Perfect and Past Historic if it occurs			

(v)	Use of avoir with a past participle when être is correct: award 2 communication marks			
	<i>J'ai resté en France</i> = 2 marks for communication	However the use of <i>être</i> when <i>avoir</i> is correct= 1 communication mark, e.g. <i>Je suis mangé la pomme</i> (see <b>B (iii)</b> )		
(vi)	Errors of accent: award 2 communication marks (eg <i>il va tele</i> , following cases	phoner = 2; il commencais = 2; j'achete = 2), except in the		
	For 2 communication marks, <b>insist</b> on the accent on a past participle of <i>–er</i> verbs	<i>II a joue</i> = 1 for communication (as an attempted perfect tense) <i>II joué</i> = 1 for communication (as an attempted present tense)		
	For 2 communication marks <b>insist</b> on an accent when an adjective is also a past participle	<i>Il était fatigue</i> = 1 for communication <i>Il être fatigue</i> = 1 for communication <i>Il et fatigue</i> = 1 for communication		
	For 2 communication marks, tolerate a grave accent for an acute accent	<i>II a jou</i> è = 2 for communication		
(vii)	Errors of punctuation: award 2 communication marks in spite of errors of punctuation			
	Jai fait = 2 for communication in spite of missing apostrophe	In addition <i>jai fait</i> scores a tick for the verb		
(viii)	Errors of elision: award 2 communication marks in spite of errors of elision			
	Je aime / Je habite = 2 for communication in spite of missing elision	Je aime / Je habite: no tick for the verb as elision has not been made		
(ix)	Single consonant where there should be double and vice versa: award 2 communication marks			
	J'appele / J'apelle / J'apele / J'appelle ma mère au téléphone = 2 for communication	<i>J'appelle ma mere au telephone</i> = tick for the verb		

(x)	In complex sentences, reward communication based on the normal rules (it is the information in the subordinate clause v			
	<ul> <li>Mon ami a dit qu'il avait mal au genou = 2 for communication (in addition both verbs can receive a tick)</li> <li>Mon ami annonce (wrong tense) qu'il avait mal au genou = 2 for communication (in addition second verb can receive a tick)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>However, <i>Mon ami a dit qu'il a mal au genou</i> = 1 for communication (see <b>B (viii)</b>) (in addition first verb can receive a tick)</li> <li><i>Mon ami a dit qu'il mal au genou</i> = 0 for communication (no verb in subordinate clause) (first verb can receive a tick)</li> </ul>		
	<i>Je pensais que j'étais malade</i> = 2 for communication (in addition both verbs receive a tick)	However: <i>Je pensais qu'il pleut</i> = 1 for communication (see <b>B (viii)</b> ) <i>Je pensais que j'avais malade</i> = 0 for communication (see <b>B (iv)</b> ) (In both cases, first verb can receive a tick)		
(xi)	Use of a verb in the 'indicative' where a subjunctive would be expected: award 2 communication marks			
	<ul> <li><i>II faut que j'aille chez ma grand-mère</i> = 2 for communication (plus both verbs receive a tick)</li> <li><i>II faut que je vais chez ma grand-mère</i> = 2 for communication (plus both verbs receive a tick)</li> </ul>			
(xii)	Treat the verbs retourner, revenir and rentrer as synonyms: award 2 communication marks			
(xiii)	«ne» omitted in a negative statement: award 2 communication marks			
	<i>J'aime pas la biologie</i> = 2 for communication (in addition, the verb receives a tick)	However <i>Je n'aime la biologie</i> = 1 for communication (see <b>B (ix)</b> ) (verb receives a tick)		

B <u>QUESTIONS 2 AND 3</u>: where <u>THE VERB IS APPROPRIATE IN THE MEANING IT CONVEYS</u> but is flawed in the following ways, the message is partially conveyed, and 1 communication mark will be awarded:

(i)	The candidate has produced a correct spelling of an inappropriate form/part/tense of an appropriate verb: award 1 communication mark		
	Task: where did you go on holiday. Candidate writes:Je passe les vacances en FranceJe passons les vacances en FranceJe passé les vacances en FranceJe vais passer les vacances en FranceJe suis passer les vacances en FranceJ'irons en FranceJe allez en FranceJ'aille en FranceJe vas en France<	In all these cases, <i>passer</i> is an appropriate choice of verb in terms of meaning. The task ('where did you go on holiday') requires a past tense (or phonetic version of a past tense) for 2 communication marks to be awarded: these versions do not meet this requirement. However, in all these cases the candidate has produced an existing part/tense/form of what is an appropriate verb and therefore 1 communication mark is awarded Ticks are not scored for these verbs	
	Task: how did you and your friends react? Candidate writes:         Mes amis est contents         J'été triste         Ils avons pleure         All score 1 mark for communication		
	Task: what do you want to eat for lunch. Candidate writes.Je veux mange un sandwich = 1 for communication	<i>Je veux</i> = tick for verb	

	Task: what will you do next year. Candidate writes:L'an dernier je voyage en France = 1 for communicationL'an dernier je vais voyager en France = 1 for communicationL'année prochaine j'allait en ville = 1 for communication (if the task required a past tense, J'allait en ville tout court could score 2 for communication as a phonetic rendering of J'allais en ville)	<i>je voyage</i> verb is not rewarded as there is no future context (e.g <i>L'an prochain</i> ) <i>je vais voyager</i> scores 2 ticks for verbs ( <i>je vais</i> , <i>voyager</i> ) as the task requires a future <i>j'allait</i> verb does not receive a tick		
	<i>L'année prochaine j'aille en ville</i> = 1 for communication ( <i>aller</i> is an appropriate verb, <i>aille</i> is a form of the verb <i>aller</i> (subjunctive))	<i>L'année prochaine j'aillait en ville</i> = 0 for communication ( <i>aillait</i> is not any part of the verb <i>aller</i> )		
(ii)	The candidate has produced a phonetic spelling of an inappropriate form/part/tense of an appropriate verb: award 1 communication mark			
	Task is to say what s/he enjoyed doing on holiday. Candidate writes: <i>J'aim le tennis</i> = 1 for communication (phonetic version of the incorrect tense ( <i>j'aime</i> ) of an appropriate verb)	<i>J'amie (le tennis)</i> = 0 for communication <i>(amie</i> is not any form/part/tense of the verb <i>aimer)</i>		
	Task is to say how s/he got home. Candidate writes: <i>Je prennez</i> <i>le bus</i> = 1 for communication (phonetic version of an incorrect part/tense ( <i>Je prenez</i> ) of an appropriate verb)	<i>Je prendais le bus</i> = 0 for communication ( <i>prendais</i> is not any form/part/tense (nor a phonetic version thereof) of the verb <i>prendre</i> )		
(iii)	Use of <i>être</i> as the auxiliary when <i>avoir</i> would be correct: awa	rd 1 communication mark (see also A (v))		
	Je suis mangé la pomme = 1			
(iv)	Use of être instead of avoir in some clearly defined idiomatic	phrases: award 1 communication mark		
	J'étais peur = 1 J'étais soif = 1 J'étais faim = 1 Elle était cinq ans = 1	(no tick for the verb) (no tick for the verb) (no tick for the verb) (no tick for the verb)		
		<b>However</b> Elle est les cheveux gris = 0 J'avais fatigué = 0 J'avais malade = 0		

(v)	Manger, nager, ranger etc – 'e' missing from nous form and imperfect: award 1 communication mark				
	<i>Je mangais des pommes = 1</i> (no tick for the verb) <i>Nous nagons après l'école = 1</i> (no tick for the verb)	Je mang des pommes = 0			
(vi)	The following commonly seen inappropriate usages: award 1 communication mark				
	Accept for 1 mark il est beau for il fait beau j'ai écouté un bruit for j'ai entendu un bruit c'est chaud for il fait chaud j'ai fait une promenade à l'école for je suis allé à l'école à pied j'ai regardé un accident for j'ai vu un accident	Refuse j'ai regardé pour mon sac for j'ai cherché mon sac			
(vii)	The following commonly seen mis-usages: award 1 communication mark				
	il et (venu me voir) je return(e) etc (accept returner for retourner) je s'appelle (Carole)	However, <i>II m'appelle (Carole)</i> when the candidate is trying to give his/her own name = 0 as nothing of worth is communicated			
(viii)	In complex sentences, consider the verb in the subordinate clause when awarding the mark for communication and reward according to the normal rules (see also A(x))				
	<i>Mon ami a dit qu'il a mal au genou</i> = 1 for communication	<i>il a mal au genou,</i> contains an appropriate verb in the wrong time frame which is awarded 1 mark for communication (in addition, first verb receives a tick)			
	<i>Je pensais qu'il pleut</i> = 1 for communication	The subordinate clause, <i>qu'il pleut,</i> contains an appropriate verb in the wrong time frame which is awarded 1 communication mark according to the usual rules) (in addition, first verb receives a tick)			
(ix)	«pas», or equivalent, is omitted in a negative statement = 1 for communication				
	<i>Je n'aime la biologie</i> = 1 for communication (verb receives a tick)	However <i>J'aime pas la biologie</i> = 2 for communication (in addition, the verb receives a tick)			

### C <u>QUESTIONS 2 AND 3</u>: award 0 communication marks in the following cases:

(i)	No attempt at a verb = 0 for communication		
	<i>je pied à l'ecole</i> = 0 for communication <i>je promenade mon chien</i> = 0 <i>for communication</i> <i>il pluie</i> = 0 for communication	However, <i>je travail à l'école (in response to Qu'est-ce que vous faites à l'école?</i> ) = 2 for communication because <i>travail</i> works phonetically	
(ii)	The verb attempted delivers a message different from the des	sired one = 0 for communication	
	<pre>mon père a un prof for mon père est prof = 0 for communication j'ai travaillé en Australie for j'ai voyagé en Australie = 0 for communication il pleure for il pleut = 0 for communication</pre>		
(iii)	The attempt at the verb is not a part/form of an appropriate verb or a phonetic rendition thereof = 0 for communication		
	L'année prochaine j'aillait en ville = 0 for communication (aillait is not any part of the verb aller) Je prendais le bus = 0 for communication (prendais is not any part of the verb prendre) J'amie (le tennis) J'alle au cinema Je m'apple Carole		
(iv)	There are two subjects = 0 for communication		
	<i>il j'aime</i> = 0 for communication		