

2014 HSC Italian Beginners Marking Guidelines

Section I — Listening

Question 1

Criteria	Marks
• Identifies where the announcement would be heard	1

Sample answer:

D

Question 2

Criteria	Marks
• Explains why Luca is disappointed	2
• Provides some relevant information	1

Sample answer:

Luca is disappointed because Isabella cannot go to his house to look at his holiday photos.

Question 3

Criteria	Marks
• Correctly identifies Marco's justifications for his choice	2
• Provides some relevant information	1

Sample answer:

Marco will study Japanese because it is different from Italian and his school organises annual exchanges.

Question 4

Criteria	Marks
• Provides a full explanation of why Marinella has mixed feelings about her first day at work	3
• Demonstrates some understanding of Marinella's first day at work	2
• Provides some relevant information	1

Sample answer:

Marinella likes the office and the people she works with. Her boss was nice and offered her a coffee. However, she was a bit bored as she had no desk, computer or telephone and could not do any work.

Question 5 (a)

Criteria	Marks
• Identifies the reason for Alessia's call	1

Sample answer:

To find out what time he is going to pick her up.

Question 5 (b)

Criteria	Marks
• Correctly identifies Alessia's concerns	2
• Provides some relevant information	1

Sample answer:

She is worried that they won't have enough time to have a leisurely lunch and she is worried that they will miss the start of the match.

Question 6

Criteria	Marks
• Expresses concisely the information presented	3
• Identifies some key points	2
• Provides some relevant information	1

Sample answer:

- There is a clean-up day
- Ring to receive more information
- You need to bring gloves and closed-in shoes.

Question 7

Criteria	Marks
• Provides a full explanation of why Simona and Davide will not meet on the weekend	3
• Shows some understanding of what Simona and/or Davide plans to do on the weekend	2
• Provides some relevant information	1

Sample answer:

They will not meet because Davide plans to spend his weekend at home alone, reading a book, watching TV and playing on the internet. Simona will engage in activities such as going to the gym, playing tennis and having a picnic with friends.

Question 8 (a)

Criteria	Marks
• Identifies the cause for celebration	1

Sample answer:

The celebration will be for her father's birthday.

Question 8 (b)

Criteria	Marks
• Justifies a decision likely to be made by the woman with detailed reference to the text	3
• Demonstrates some understanding of the restaurant and/or the woman's requirements	2
• Provides some relevant information	1

Sample answer:

She is likely to decide not to make a booking at the restaurant because children and adults are the same price, the parking is too far away and it will cost five euros extra per head if she brings her cake.

Question 9

Criteria	Marks
• Provides a full explanation of how Sonia tries to convince Massimo to go ahead with her plan	4
• Demonstrates a good understanding of Sonia's arguments	3
• Demonstrates some understanding of Sonia's arguments	2
• Provides some relevant information	1

Sample answer:

Sonia tries to convince Massimo to buy the house by saying that although the price is a bit high, it is located in the city centre. Massimo says that the house is small, but Sonia points out that their kids can play in the big garden. Massimo is concerned that there is only one garage, but Sonia points out that they only have one car. She also points out that living near his parents will be an advantage for them as they can help with the kids.

Question 10

Criteria	Marks
• Provides a comprehensive explanation of why Gianni's plan is not a good one	5
• Demonstrates a good understanding of Gianni's plan and Maria	4
• Demonstrates some understanding of Gianni's plan and/or Maria	2-3
• Provides some relevant information	1

Sample answer:

Gianni's plan is not a good one because Maria hates skiing. As a child when the family went to the snow, she would stay in her room and read. She was scared of falling and breaking her neck. Anna points out that Maria doesn't know how to ski and that she never attended any lessons during the family skiing holiday. Maria would prefer a different destination preferably at the beach, because she doesn't like the cold.

Section II — Reading

Question 11 (a)

Criteria	Marks
• Identifies the reason Francesco asks for directions	1

Sample answer:

It is because he has never been to Piero's house.

Question 11 (b)

Criteria	Marks
• Identifies the location of Piero's house	1

Sample answer:

B

Question 12 (a)

Criteria	Marks
• Identifies the reasons the email has been written	2
• Identifies one reason the email has been written	1

Sample answer:

To thank the manager for his wonderful stay at the hotel and to offer advice about the pool opening hours.

Question 12 (b)

Criteria	Marks
• Identifies why last Sunday night was special	2
• Provides some relevant information	1

Sample answer:

A Mexican night was organised and Roberto and his wife really enjoyed the food, music and dancing.

Question 12 (c)

Criteria	Marks
• Provides a full description of the manager's reaction	2
• Provides some relevant information	1

Sample answer:

The manager was really happy to have received a positive email instead of the usual complaints and he has already acted on Roberto's advice.

Question 13

Criteria	Marks
• Provides a thorough assessment as to whether Daniela and Gaetano would contact each other, with detailed reference to the text	5
• Demonstrates a good understanding of Daniela and Gaetano	4
• Demonstrates some understanding of Daniela and/or Gaetano	2–3
• Provides some relevant information	1

Sample answer:

No, there are significant differences in their personality. Daniela is quiet and Gaetano is outgoing. In regard to their interests, Daniela is interested in animals and work and doesn't have time for sport. Gaetano, on the contrary, doesn't like animals or work, but is very sporty. Also, Daniela believes in horoscopes but Gaetano thinks they are stupid.

Question 14 (a)

Criteria	Marks
• Identifies the correct response	1

Sample answer:

B

Question 14 (b)

Criteria	Marks
• Identifies what Cynara was transformed into and why	2
• Provides some relevant information	1

Sample answer:

Zeus transformed Cynara into an artichoke because he was angry that she left him.

Question 14 (c)

Criteria	Marks
• Identifies all of the benefits described in this article	4
• Identifies most of the benefits described in this article	3
• Identifies some of the benefits described in this article	2
• Provides some relevant information	1

Sample answer:

In the past, it was thought to give strength and energy. Soldiers thought it would help them win all battles. In the present, it is believed that it could improve liver function, stimulate digestion and lower cholesterol.

Question 15 (a)

Criteria	Marks
• Provides a full explanation of why <i>Melissa1</i> has started the blog	2
• Provides some relevant information	1

Sample answer:

She has started the blog because she now has a job and a credit card and wants to know whether online shopping is convenient.

Question 15 (b)

Criteria	Marks
• Correctly identifies the advice that <i>Giulia86</i> gives to <i>Melissa1</i>	3
• Demonstrates some understanding of the advice that <i>Giulia86</i> gives to <i>Melissa1</i>	2
• Provides some relevant information	1

Sample answer:

Giulia86 advises *Melissa1* to have fun shopping with her friends, to go during the sales, and to make sure she repays her credit card.

Question 15 (c)

Criteria	Marks
• Clearly shows how the bloggers' opinions are similar or different	5
• Shows a substantial understanding of the opinions of all the bloggers	4
• Shows some understanding of the bloggers' opinions	2–3
• Provides some relevant information	1

Sample answer:

Ilaria27 loves online shopping because she can buy everything she wants at any time without leaving the house. Delivery is quick, but at times she buys things because they don't cost much. *Franky90s* also likes using online shopping because he doesn't like lining up or interacting with people. He also often spends too much. *Giulia86* prefers going to the shops because she likes the advice she gets. She also prefers to choose her own items and pay at the check-out. She also believes that it would be difficult to solve any problem that might occur online without talking to a real person.

Section III — Writing in Italian

Part A

Question 16

Criteria	Marks
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Communicates ideas and information appropriate to audience, purpose and context Applies knowledge of vocabulary, language structures and features to the task 	4
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Communicates with some awareness of audience, purpose and context Demonstrates some knowledge of vocabulary, language structures and features 	2–3
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Produces some comprehensible language related to the task 	1

Question 17

Criteria	Marks
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Communicates relevant ideas and information appropriate to audience, purpose and context Organises information and ideas coherently Applies knowledge of a variety of vocabulary, language structures and features to the task 	6
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Communicates with some awareness of audience, purpose and context Organises ideas and information Demonstrates knowledge of vocabulary, language structures and features 	4–5
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Demonstrates some understanding of the requirements of the task Demonstrates limited evidence of the ability to organise ideas Demonstrates some knowledge of vocabulary, language structures and features 	2–3
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Produces some comprehensible language related to the task 	1

Section III — Writing in Italian

Part B

Questions 18 and 19

Criteria	Marks
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presents and develops original ideas, information, and/or opinions relevant to context, purpose and audience • Organises information and ideas coherently • Demonstrates knowledge of a variety of vocabulary, language structures and features 	9–10
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presents and develops original ideas, information, and/or opinions mostly relevant to context, purpose and audience • Organises information and ideas • Demonstrates some knowledge of a variety of vocabulary, language structures and features 	7–8
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presents and develops some ideas, information, and/or opinions relevant to context, purpose and audience • Organises information and ideas with some coherence • Demonstrates some knowledge of vocabulary, language structures and features 	5–6
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presents some information relevant to the task • Demonstrates elementary knowledge of vocabulary, language structures and features 	3–4
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Produces some comprehensible language related to the task 	1–2

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2014 HSC Examination Mapping Grid

Oral Examination

Question	Marks	Content	Syllabus outcomes
	20	Conversation covering the candidate's personal world as it relates to the prescribed topics	H1.1, H1.2, H1.3

Written Examination

Section I — Listening

Section II — Reading

Question	Marks	Content	Syllabus outcomes
11 (a)	1	Family life, home and neighbourhood — text messages	2.2
11 (b)	1	Family life, home and neighbourhood — text messages	2.1
12 (a)	2	Holiday, travel and tourism — emails	2.5
12 (b)	2	Holiday, travel and tourism — emails	2.1, 2.2
12 (c)	2	Holiday, travel and tourism — emails	2.2
13	5	People, places and communities — online bulletin board messages	2.4
14 (a)	1	People, places and communities — article	2.5
14 (b)	2	People, places and communities — article	2.1
14 (c)	4	People, places and communities — article	2.2
15 (a)	2	Friends, recreation and pastimes — chat room	2.5
15 (b)	3	Friends, recreation and pastimes — chat room	2.2
15 (c)	5	Friends, recreation and pastimes — chat room	2.1

Section III — Writing in Italian

Part A

Section III — Writing in Italian

Part B

Question	Marks	Content	Syllabus outcomes
18	10	Friends, recreation and pastimes — diary entry	H3.1, H3.2, H3.3
19	10	People, places and communities — diary entry	H3.1, H3.2, H3.3