



2010 CCAFL Armenian Continuers Sample Answers

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- (a) as part of the development of the examination paper to ensure the questions will effectively assess students' knowledge and skills, and
- (b) in order to provide some advice to the Supervisor of Marking about the nature and scope of the responses expected of students.

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Section 1: Listening and Responding

Part A

Question 1

Sample answer:

17–25, Single, 21+ km, Car

Question 2

Sample answer:

Health warning – Summer will be much hotter this year. People should wear hats, sunglasses and protective clothing when in the sun to avoid sunstroke and skin cancer.

Question 3

Sample answer:

Vartan has forgotten to send in his birth certificate and tomorrow is the last chance. If he misses out, he will miss the chance to record with the biggest recording company in the country.

He will lose his opportunity, as he appears to have a good chance to win, to perform in front of 10,000 people if he wins.

Question 4 (a)

Sample answer:

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Question 4 (b)

Sample answer:

Ani clearly loves her grandfather and is very patient with him. She doesn't mind that he is slow and wants him to be comfortable. She cares about him and is concerned for his safety. She has bought him a mobile phone and has chosen one that is easy to use.

She persists with it even when he says he doesn't want one (and revisits her efforts to show him).

He cares for her too and doesn't want her to waste her money on him. But he is very good-natured when he finally gives in and says "I can see there is no way out." He gives in because he wants to please her.



Question 5

Sample answer:

It addresses an issue that is very common for young people. It touches on the issues around body image and identifies the negative attitude today's young people harbour towards their own bodies. However, it also talks about the food and diets that young people implement to achieve results in a very short time, which is typical of our attitude to everything. The conversation is a good example of how destructive a negative body image is for young people. It highlights a precautionary message on an important issue.

Section 1: Listening and Responding Part B

Question 6

Sample answer:

Armen's father is annoyed and feels Armen cannot succeed because he is disorganised and irresponsible. He thinks Armen needs to grow up and criticism won't hurt him.

On the other hand, Armen's mother thinks he just needs time to grow up and mature. He is obedient, studies hard and is never rude. He is honest and reliable and she thinks will make a great chef. She is frustrated with the father's attitude and thinks he needs to be more patient.

Question 7

Sample answer:

Rosa feels sorry that Seta is so upset that she does not want to talk to or contact Hagop. Rosa feels that it was very unfair of Hagop to leave Seta alone when she didn't know anyone. Rosa feels sorry that Seta had to go home on her own at a very late hour. Rosa is also concerned with Seta's inability to focus on her studies because of this issue. Rosa uses words such as "poor" or phrases such as "she had the right" to express sympathy/empathy. Hagop does not feel as sorry although he admits that he was wrong. He feels that Seta is over-reacting as usual as he was just talking to his friends. He thinks about ways to resolve the issue.

Section 2: Reading and Responding Part A

Question 8 (a)

Sample answer:

The article informs us of the latest developments on Mariam Hagopian. It reveals that she has admitted to using cycling equipment not passed by the Armenian cycling authority/body to enhance her chance of winning. Hence, she was forced to return all her medals and trophies.



Question 8 (b)

Sample answer:

In paragraph 2 we read about Mariam's many achievements: she has won best Armenian Cyclist youth award, Australia's champion in 1998, Runner-up USA championship. This is an indication of her dedication, drive, hard work and ambitious personality. As she did not give interviews, the article indicates that she was a private person.

Question 8 (c)

Sample answer:

- Mariam has always had a choice
- She has sacrificed much to achieve success
- Questions the pressures on young athletes

Question 9 (a)

Sample answer:

She is ashamed to face him and writes to let him know her side of the story before he reads it in the newspaper. She wants to thank him for his coaching and support throughout the years.

Question 9 (b)

Sample answer:

She admires him and owes her success to him but has also felt very pressured by his need for her to succeed. She tried too hard to please him. She also doesn't want to let him down. His opinion of her is important to her. She needs him to know the truth and not feel negatively towards her.

Question 9 (c)

Sample answer:

- Gevorg would know that there are two sides to the story.
- He would realise that the newspaper article is based on a short interview (not in depth) as the journalist stated.
- He would realise that Mariam was under immense pressure.
- He would also realise that she held him in high regard and does not hold him responsible for her "illegal" action.
- He would see the newspaper as being cruel and hurtful and not taking into account the impact it would have on her family and friends.