

2011 Modern Greek Continuers HSC Examination 'Sample Answers'

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Section I — Listening and Responding

Question 1

Sample answer:

He is concerned about not liking university and not being able to cope.

Question 2

Sample answer:

Star sign	Prediction
Scorpio	Great success professionally
Taurus	New opportunities will come your way
Leo	Possible contact with past relationships

Question 3

Sample answer:

He changes his attitude because he receives a second email and realises it's genuine. He considers it an honour and finally a great experience to play for the National Rugby Team.

Question 4

Sample answer:

The use of persuasive tone. The fact that it has been around for a long time. The use of emotive language and the repetition of the word 'today'.

Question 5

Sample answer:

Aphroditi is a realist because she adapts to changing times. She is also well informed because she keeps abreast of current trends. Spiros, on the other hand, feels that his rights are being taken away from him. Furthermore, he resents imposed change and is depicted as a Greek stereotype.

Question 6

Sample answer:

Surveys can be predictable, can be unreliable, can reveal the unexpected and can influence future behaviours.



Question 7

Sample answer:

The speaker engages the audience members by identifying with them in their concerns for their future, using personal pronouns and terms of endearment. She introduces a high-profile figure to inspire her audience and highlights her many achievements in order to encourage them to follow their dreams, eg a highly successful actress, politician or activist. She uses rhetorical questions and direct speech to get their attention and to encourage them to take action. Emotive language is also used, along with a positive and inspirational voice and tone to motivate the audience.

Section II — Reading and Responding Part A

Question 8 (a)

Sample answer:

In a coffee shop

Question 8 (b)

Sample answer:

To tell her she is pregnant

Question 8 (c)

Sample answer:

They met through her best friend, Miranda, whose wedding they both attended on the island of Santorini.

Question 8 (d)

Sample answer:

He is not very religious/traditional. Although he has been conciliatory/submissive and easy going up to this point, he is now starting to question traditional practice and interference.

Question 8 (e)

Sample answer:

- Unreasonable
- Unrelenting
- Traditional
- Selfish/Manipulative



Question 9 (a) (i)

Sample answer:

The mobile phone is a necessary evil. It constantly disturbs us.

Question 9 (a) (ii)

Sample answer:

The computer has brought us closer to the outside world in terms of communication. But, at the same time, it has distanced us and alienated us from human/physical contact.

Question 9 (b)

Sample answer:

First came discussion, then came the phone, which developed into the mobile phone. The development of the written word eventually led to the typewriter and then the computer, followed by Facebook and Twitter.

Question 9 (c)

Sample answer:

The purpose of this text is to show people's isolation nowadays, the positive nature of progress, the dangers of technology, and the uncertainty of the future. The purpose is achieved through the following techniques:

- text-type (fairy tale/narrative, story-telling passed down orally)
- linguistic techniques (metaphors, similes, onomatopoeia, imagery)
- tone (nostalgia, sarcasm, uncertainty, contradiction).

Section II — Reading and Responding Part B

Question 10

Sample answer:

Αγαπητέ Αλέκο,

Με λένε Σπύρο και μ'ενδιαφέρει πάρα πολύ το δωμάτιο που έχετε για νοίκιασμα. Βρίσκω το ενοίκιο λίγο ακριβό όμως μ'αρέσει που είναι κοντά στη θάλασσα. Είμαι φοιτητής της νομικής και βοηθάει πάρα πολύ που θα μπορώ να είμαι στη σχολή μου σε μισή ώρα. Θα ήθελα να μάθω αν θα μαγειρεύουμε όλοι μαζί. Είμαι εύκολος χαρακτήρας αλλά κάπου κάπου μ'αρέσει η ησυχία μου. Λέτε ότι το διαμέρισμα βρίσκεται κοντά σε συγκοινωνία, τι είδους συγκοινωνία είναι και πόσο παίρνει για να φτάσει κανείς στο κέντρο της πόλης; ...