

2011 German Beginners HSC Examination 'Sample Answers'

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Section I — Listening

Question 1

Sample answer:

She now has a pet dog.

Her parents have finally said yes to a pet.

Question 2

Sample answer:

Free calls for half an hour each evening and there is a 30% reduction in the price of a new mobile.

Question 3

Sample answer:

Food for the journey Music to listen to/to avoid boredom Clothing for cold/wet weather.

Question 4

Sample answer:

To have a break from study.

He's interested in travelling and looking at buildings in other cities.

He will study architecture the following year.

Question 5

Sample answer:

Anna is a great dancer but he may look silly compared to her. He doesn't have much time to decide. However, he knows her from his swim club and she is fun / a funny person.

Question 6 (a)

Sample answer:

You can travel to town quickly. The bus takes you to the shopping centre and railway station. You don't need to look for parking. It also runs at night.

Question 6 (b)

Sample answer:

The number is 49 16 07



Question 7

Sample answer:

His parents have enough money. He now has a drivers licence. He has already saved 2,000 Euro and could contribute to the cost of the car.

Question 8

Sample answer:

Yes. She has had work experience in a shop. Customers have found her to be polite and friendly. She likes cooking and is willing to work in the kitchen. She learns French at school/can read a French menu.

Question 9

Sample answer:

Katja wants to do a first aid course whereas Klaus wants to do art. Katja prefers something practical and helpful. Klaus wants to do something fun and creative. Katja wants to make the choice for once.

Section II — Reading

Question 10

Sample answer:

To celebrate the end of the season and congratulate the players for their win.

Question 11

Sample answer:

Lisa is impressed that he attended the concert and managed to get tickets. She would never have lined up for so long. Marie T is unimpressed because she can't stand Florian's music and thinks he is so yesterday.

Question 12 (a)

Sample answer:

There were no canoes. His backpack and money were stolen.

Question 12 (b)

Sample answer:

Opportunity to make friends, motorbike trip, meeting his idol and having a photo taken in the car.



Question 13 (a)

Sample answer:

Teachers have a longer working day.

Question 13 (b)

Sample answer:

In many families, both parents work the whole day. Lunch is no longer eaten by the family together. Parents have less time with their children.

Question 13 (c)

Sample answer:

Children now have more time to enjoy subjects like music, art and sport, which were previously done at home. They profit from homework help and don't have to do their homework alone at home. Their results have improved so not as many children have to repeat.

Question 14 (a)

Sample answer:

Because Karin wants to move out of home and rent an apartment with Irene.

Question 14 (b)

Sample answer:

Her home is comfortable and she has access to a car. There are no expenses at home. She can save money and go out a lot. She doesn't have to worry about meals.

Question 14 (c)

Sample answer:

She wants to live as an independent adult. She thinks her flatmate would be fun to live with. Although her parents are nice, her siblings are annoying. Inner city life is convenient.