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LIFELONG LEARNING AND EMPLOYABILITY  
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Educational Assessment Unit

**Annual Examinations for Primary Schools 2023**  
**SPECIMEN PAPER**

**Year 5**

**ENGLISH**

**MARKING SCHEME**

**LISTENING**

**(20 MARKS)**

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<p>10. <b>YES</b>, supported by the idea that the author thinks this is an event worth celebrating.</p> <p>Examples:</p> <p>Yes, the author thinks this event is not to be missed.</p> <p>Yes, the author presents the information about the Chinese New Year in a positive way.</p> <p>Yes, the author mentions interesting facts.</p> <p>Yes, the author says that this tradition is celebrated worldwide.</p> <p>Yes, the author says that the Chinese New Year is very popular.</p> <p>Yes, the author makes the celebrations sound exciting.</p> <p>Do not award marks if the student ticks No.</p>	1 mark

**WRITING**

**(30 MARKS)**

**Writing Task 1**

**(10 marks)**

Students are asked to write a message. Examiners are to refer to **Writing Marking Criteria for Task 1** to assess this task.

**Writing Task 2**

**(20 marks)**

Students are asked to write an opinion article. Examiners are to refer to **Writing Marking Criteria for Task 2** to assess this task.

**Mark the writing out of the total and then deduct:**

**1 mark** if the introduction does not include a clear position statement.

**1 mark** if the body does not include reasons and supporting information.

**1 mark** if the body does not include a counter opinion.

**1 mark** if the conclusion does not reinforce the writer’s position.



Writing Marking Criteria for Task 1

(10 marks)

	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Content and Relevance</b>	The message fully satisfies the requirements of the task. It is clear, precise and includes all the relevant information.	The message addresses some of the requirements of the task. Some of the information is missing.	The message is unrelated to the task requirements. Message is not focused and is off topic.
<b>Organisation and Structure</b>	Message includes the proper salutation and ending. Information is displayed cohesively in one paragraph. Message is neat, easy to read and free of errors.	Message lacks some features but is still fairly readable and shows some organisation.	Format of a message is not adhered to. There is no attempt to organise the information logically. Message is difficult to read.
<b>Vocabulary</b>	Vocabulary is wide-ranging and topic-related and suits the audience and purpose.	Vocabulary is limited and mostly inaccurate for the purpose and audience	Vocabulary is inappropriate and inaccurate throughout.
<b>Language Use</b>	Sentences start in different ways, vary in length and express a complete thought. Sentence structure is accurate.	Sentences are basic but complete. Sentence structures sometimes cause difficulties for the reader.	Sentences are incomplete and include many errors.
<b>Spelling and Punctuation</b>	There are no spelling or punctuation mistakes.	1-4 spelling or punctuation mistakes	5 or more spelling or punctuation mistakes

**Writing Marking Criteria for Task 2**

**(20 marks)**

	<b>4</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Content and Relevance</b>	Content is completely relevant. Task is achieved in full.	Content is mostly relevant. Task is mostly achieved.	Content is not always relevant. Task is achieved in part.	Content is under-developed. Task is hardly achieved.	Content is irrelevant. Task is not achieved.
<b>Organisation and Structure</b>	Writing is structured and organised in a logical manner. Cohesive devices are varied and link together well.	Writing is structured and organised into coherent prose. Cohesive devices are quite varied and generally correct.	Sentence structure and paragraphs are fairly correct though unambitious. Cohesive devices are rather limited.	Sentence structure and paragraphs show lack of control.	No attempt to structure and organise their writing.
<b>Vocabulary</b>	Wide-ranging and appropriate vocabulary	Very good range and appropriate vocabulary	Good range and appropriate vocabulary	Limited vocabulary, possibly seen in the repetition of words	Very limited and inappropriate choice of vocabulary
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