GENERAL EDUCATION DIPLOMA ENGLISH LANGUAGE 'CORE' EMD OF YEAR EXAM, 2020/2021, FIRST SESSION

MARKING GUIDE
MARKS: 60
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LISTENING 1 (7 mks)								
1.	0	Australia	0	Oman		the UK		
2.		brother	0	father	0	mother		
3.	0	loneliness		stress	0	a lack of food		
4.	0	closed down	0	shifted to distance learning		moved to online learning		
5.	0	keeping focussed during online lectures	0	submitting work on time		using a new architecture software		
6.	0	call back		send money	0	visit her		
7.		she is busy with her final project	0	she can't afford it	0	the airports are closed		
Notes: One mark each. Responses must be indicated <u>clearly</u> .								

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9.	six/6	years old				الْهُ الْمُ
10.	0. Horse riding lessons					
11.	vide	os of cooking/ cooking video	os			
12.	0	parents	0	adults		students
13.		expand her business	0	help her father	0	produce films
14.	0	launch more websites	0	get a job		join a college
15.	0	setting up a business		healthy cooking	0	communication skills
Notes: One mark each. Qs 8-11: (i) Notes: 1) Grammatical mistakes (e.g., etc): These should be ignored, as long as it is clear that the substance of the answer is correct.						

2) Genuine spelling mistakes — i.e. when the student obviously knew what the word was and understood what it meant, but could not spell it correctly — should also be ignored, as long as ALL of the following criteria are met:

(a) Certain key letters must be included: No.: No.:

(b) In cases where letters are 'optional', the mis-spelling must be close to the correct spelling. (e.g. accept but not

(c) Above all, the mis-spelt word(s) must be clearly and convincingly recognisable as a correct answer to the question.

As stated in the instructions, answers should consist of not more than four words. (Note: When counting the words, do not include any words provided by the exam-writers.) Longer answers will normally be marked wrong. HOWEVER, if a student has written one (or even two) extra words and the answer is convincing and clearly correct, common sense should be applied and marks awarded, on a case-by-case basis.

Qs 12-15: Responses must be indicated clearly.

Diploma, English 'Core', END OF YEAR EXAM, 2020/21, 1st Sess.: Marking Guide page 3 of 7 VOCABULARY 1 (2.5 mks) o reduce /revise grab **16 o** edit personally fluently rapidly 17. olocally terrified 18. cmbarrassed exhausted fascinated 19. a candidate lecturer presenter consumer 20. celebrate impress share cope Notes: Half-a-mark each. Responses must be indicated clearly. GRAMMAR (2.5 mks) 24. O many / much 21. Osubmit / Submitted bought / will 22. • but / • so 23. If /O Unless Notes: Half-a-mark each. Spelling must be correct. GRAMMAR/Vocabulary (5 mks) were **26.** are \bigcirc is was obstacle danger o fund 27. change makes to make making

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Notes: one mark each. Responses must be indicated clearly.

29. O did

30. cexport

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REA	(7 mks)				REAL	المتوارق المتعالمات المتعالمات (8 mks)	1.7.2	1.//	
	True	False	38.	0	`Global Health Travel'	0	'Patients' Beyond Borders'	N. C.	'World Medical Tourism Market'
31.	0		39.	0	12	0	70		200
32.		0	40.	0	easy access for appointments		highly qualified, trained doctors	0	low cost
33.	0		41.	0	2014		2019	0	2020
34.		0	42.		Brazil	0	Germany	0	Malaysia
35.		0	43.	0	cancer	0	eye		heart
36.	0		44.	0	third		fourth	0	fifth
37.		0	45.		airline flights	0	five-star rooms	0	laser surgeries
Note	Note: One mark each. Responses must be indicated <u>clearly</u> .								

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WRITING (GENERAL NOTES)

- The wording of the descriptors in the relevant Rating Scale should form the basis of all decisions (and discussions) on the marks to be awarded.
- If answers are clearly not relevant and the student has clearly not attempted the task that was set, no marks should be awarded.
- However, if a student has genuinely attempted the task, but their answer is only partly relevant, then a reduced mark (not zero) should be awarded.

	WRITING 1 (10 mks)
10	-Expresses opinions on topics in a lively, convincing way. – Supports all points effectively with relevant evidence and detail. – Essays are very well-organised, clear and coherent. – A varied range of grammar and vocabulary with a very good level of accuracy.
8	 Expresses opinions on topics in a reasonably convincing way. Supports most points with relevant evidence and detail. Essays are generally well-organised and, for the most part, clear and coherent. A fair range of grammar and vocabulary with a good level of accuracy
6	 expresses opinions on topics, in a somewhat limited way. Is inconsistent in supporting points with relevant evidence and detail. Essays are poorly- organised, but are still reasonably clear and coherent. A limited range of grammar and vocabulary with a reasonable level of accuracy
4	_Express opinions on topics, but the results are clearly inadequate. – Is generally weak in supporting points with relevant evidence. – Essays lack organization, lacking in coherence and sometimes unclear. – A very limited range of grammar and vocabulary with frequent errors.
2	 -Makes only very feeble attempts to express opinions on topics. - Fails to support points with any relevant evidence. - Essays are incoherent and confusing. - Extremely limited range of grammar and vocabulary with frequent serious errors.
0	No attempt at the task: EITHER Irrelevant (Completely unrelated to the topic) OR Hardly any writing at all, or not written in English OR Complete nonsense

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	WRITING 2 (10 mks)
10	 Produces narratives which are fully successful in engaging the reader Lively, effective use of appropriate detail. Writing is very well-structured, clear and coherent. A varied range of grammar and vocabulary with a very good level of accuracy
8	-Produces narratives which are reasonably successful in engaging the reader. – Generally good use of appropriate detail. – Writing is generally well-structured, and mostly clear and coherent. – A fair range of grammar and vocabulary with a good level of accuracy.
6	 Produces narratives which are only partially successful in engaging the reader. Somewhat limited use of appropriate detail. Writing is well-structured, but is still reasonably clear and coherent. A limited range of grammar and vocabulary with a reasonable level of accuracy
4	 Produces narratives which have very limited success in engaging the reader. Inadequate use of appropriate detail. Writing is poorly-structured, and often unclear. A very limited range of grammar and vocabulary with frequent errors.
2	-Produces narratives which fail entirely to engage the reader. – Little or no use of appropriate detail. – Writing is incoherent and confusing. – Extremely limited range of grammar and vocabulary with frequent serious errors.
0	No attempt at the task: EITHER Irrelevant (Completely unrelated to the pictures/ task/ instructions) OR Hardly any writing at all, or not written in English OR Complete nonsense

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ARRIVING AT FINAL SCORES

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LST/ VCB/ GRM/ RDG: In these four sections, all student responses are of the objectively-marked, right-or-wrong type. So there should never be any discrepancies in the marks awarded.

There are two different procedures for ensuring that no such discrepancies occur:

- 1) No action required: With (machine-marked) 'multiple choice' items, discrepancies are automatically excluded by the *ePen* marking system.
- 2) <u>Action required</u>: With 'short answer' items (LST 2, GRM), there <u>may</u> be (accidental) discrepancies in the scores awarded by the two markers. The Supervisor/Adjudicator should be on the lookout for any such discrepancies, and if they occur, should read the students' response and award the correct mark.

WRITING: In this section, student responses are independently marked by two markers using their judgement (based on the wording of the Rating Scale provided). As a result, differences <u>may</u> sometimes occur between the two scores awarded.

In such cases, there are two possible procedures:

- Acceptable differences: If as in most cases the difference between the two scores is small, i.e. just one level, the Supervisor/Adjudicator is not required to read the student's response. He/She should simply use the mathematical average of the two scores.(*See below)
- 2) <u>Unacceptable differences</u>: However, if the difference between the two scores is substantial, i.e. *more than one level,* the Supervisor/Adjudicator should read the student's response and, after due consideration, decide on an appropriate mark.

CALCULATION OF AVERAGES:

WR	T 1	WRT 2		
Pair of	Final	Pair of	Final	
scores	score	scores	score	
10 / 8	9	10 / 8	9	
8/6	7	8/6	7	
6/4	5	6/4	5	
4/2	3	4/2	3	
2/0	1	2/0	1	

IMPORTANT NOTE: As in previous years, *individual* markers should *only* award the marks specified in the relevant Rating Scale* (as in 'pair of scores' above). 'In-between marks' (as in 'final score' above) can *only* be awarded when two (differing) individual marks are combined by the Supervisor/ Adjudicator.

[* <u>Note</u>: This means that, even though the computer screen shows <u>all</u> the possible <u>final</u> scores, **individual** markers should **only** use those scores which are mentioned in the scale.]