

# **General Certificate of Secondary Education June 2013**

Bengali 46352H

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**Unit 2: Reading (Higher)** 

## **Final**

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#### **READING TESTS**

#### Notes on the Marking Scheme

Non-verbal Answers
Follow the mark scheme as set out.

#### Verbal Answers

- 1. The basic principle of assessment is that candidates should gain credit for what they know, understand and can do. The following guidance should be borne in mind when marking.
  - (a) Credit should be given for all answers which convey the key idea required intelligibly and without ambiguity. A separate assessment of spelling, punctuation and grammar is not required on these papers because of the nature of the answers. However, these aspects are an integral part of assessing communication and marks cannot be awarded where errors in spelling, punctuation or grammar lead to a failure to communicate the required information without ambiguity.
  - (b) Where a candidate has given alternatives or additional information in an answer, the following criteria should be applied:
    - if the alternative/addition does not contradict the key idea or make it ambiguous, accept;
    - if the alternative/addition contradicts the key idea or makes it ambiguous, **reject**.
  - (c) Where numbered lines are given within a question/section of a question, credit should be given for correct answers, no matter which line they appear on.
  - (d) Where a question has more than one **section**, a candidate may include as part of the answer to one section the information required to answer another section. For instance, the information required to answer section (b) might be given as part of the answer to section (a). In such cases, credit should be given for having answered section (b), provided that no incorrect answer has been given for that section in the correct place.
  - (e) Where a question or part of a question carries more than one mark, candidates are given credit for all the correct answers they give, even if they have given incorrect answers as well, except where any of the latter contradicts a correct answer that they have given.
- 2. ...../..... means that these are acceptable alternative answers. (.....) means that this information is not needed for full marks.
- 3. In questions where candidates are asked to name, for example, three types of vegetable sold in the market, only the first three items they write down should be considered.

- 4. Accept
  - T/F/?
  - **√**/X/?
  - a mix and match approach using the above, where the response is clear and unambiguous (eg. T and ✓ are both used by the candidate).
- 5. In multiple choice questions where candidates must choose <u>one</u> letter or number, they should automatically get no mark awarded if they give more than one. If the rubric instructs them to write one letter or number in the box and they do so, but write a second letter or number outside the box too, then the answer in the box should be considered.
- 6. No mark scheme can cover all possible answers. When in doubt:
  - look for the key idea, where this is appropriate.
  - NFP = no further penalty
- 7. Where a candidate has crossed out an answer and what was underneath remains legible then it should be assessed. Where part of an answer is crossed out then only what remains should be considered.
- 8. Where a candidate spells the answer in such a way that it is a word in the target language, no credit can be awarded.
- 9. If a candidate offers two different responses in English or in the target language eg dog (cat) or dog (chat) where the answer is dog, no credit can be awarded.

### 2013 GCSE Bengali Unit 2 - Reading Higher

Question	Accept	Marks	Reject / Notes
1 (a)	N	1	

Question	Accept	Marks	Reject / Notes
1 (b)	Р	1	

Question	Accept	Marks	Reject / Notes
1 (c)	P/N	1	

Question	Accept	Marks	Reject / Notes
1 (d)	N	1	

Question	Accept	Marks	Reject / Notes
2 (a)	С	1	

Question	Accept	Marks	Reject / Notes
2 (b)	D	1	

Question	Accept	Marks	Reject / Notes
2 (c)	F	1	

C	Question	Accept	Marks	Reject / Notes
	3 (a)	R	1	

Question	Accept	Marks	Reject / Notes
3 (b)	N	1	

Question	Accept	Marks	Reject / Notes
3 (c)	S	1	

Question	Accept	Marks	Reject / Notes
3 (d)	N	1	

Question	Accept	Marks	Reject / Notes
3 (e)	S	1	

Question	Accept	Marks	Reject / Notes
3 (f)	R	1	

Question	Accept	Marks	Reject / Notes
4	(Bengali) exam(ination) (will) ends / finishes / stops at 4 pm / 4 in the evening / afternoon / 16.00	1	Reject: 4 am / 4 / 4 o'clock / any number other than 4 Subject other than Bengali

Question	Accept	Marks	Reject / Notes
5 (a)	Т	1	

Question	Accept	Marks	Reject / Notes
5 (b)	F	1	

Question	Accept	Marks	Reject / Notes
5 (c)	F	1	

Question	Accept	Marks	Reject / Notes
5 (d)	Т	1	

Question	Accept	Marks	Reject / Notes
5 (e)	?	1	

Question	Accept	Marks	Reject / Notes
6 (a)	С	1	

Question	Accept	Marks	Reject / Notes
6 (b)	E	1	

Question	Accept	Marks	Reject / Notes
6 (c)	F	1	

Question	Accept	Marks	Reject / Notes
6 (d)	В	1	

Question	Accept	Marks	Notes
7 (a)	Very / too windy / sound of the wind / lots of noise of the wind / strong wind (1) Cold / chilly / freezing (1) Accept answer in any order	2	Reject:     It's snowing     Snow     Windy alone

Question	Accept	Marks	Reject / Notes
7 (b)	(Camping) stove camping cooker / burner	1	Reject:
	camping cooker / burner		Misspelling eg stab / stob / starb that fails to convey the key idea

Question	Accept	Marks	Reject / Notes
7 (c)	Heavier than she is / heavy / thick	1	Long / warm / good for the weather

Question	Accept	Marks	Reject / Notes
7 (d)	Chickens / hens <b>running</b> about / (she) saw chickens /	1	Chicken(s) / hens without verb
	(Answer needs a verb)		

Question	Accept	Marks	Reject / Notes
7 (e)	White bear(s)	1	Reject:
			bear(s)

Question	Accept	Marks	Reject / Notes
8 (a)	Get up / wake up / wake early (in morning) / at dawn	1	Get up in the morning (no reference to early)
			Get up late

Question	Accept	Marks	Reject / Notes
8 (b)	(Emily gets up early) runs / jogs ten miles (every morning / day)	1	Reject: She runs (no mention of 10 miles) She walks 10 miles She runs 10 miles <b>a week</b> Any number other than 10

Question	Accept	Marks	Reject / Notes
8 (c)	She prays before running / before breakfast / every morning	1	

Question	Accept	Marks	Reject / Notes
8 (d)	Boiled eggs (1)	2	Reject: egg(s)
	(Glass of) water (1)		

Question	Accept	Marks	Reject / Notes
8 (e)	(Mother) used to dress / buy her / daughter (and her sister) in nice / pretty / clothes / outfits / dresses shiny / polished / shoes coloured ribbons (any one from three)	1	Reject: Wrong person eg her mother dressed in nice clothes Noun without adjective eg mother dressed her in clothes – needs pretty etc

Question	Accept	Marks	Reject / Notes
8 (f)	4.30 am / in the morning	1	Reject: 8.30 am
			4.30 pm

Question	Accept	Marks	Reject / Notes
8 (g)	wave (their hands) call / shout Miss Emily call her name (accept any one from three) (answer needs a verb)	1	Reject: Shake hands

Question	Accept	Marks	Reject / Notes
9 (a)	F	1	

Question	Accept	Marks	Reject / Notes
9 (b)	D	1	

Question	Accept	Marks	Reject / Notes
9 (c)	В	1	

Question	Accept	Marks	Reject / Notes
9 (d)	E	1	

Question	Accept	Marks	Reject / Notes
10 (a)	One from: She can come (back) to visit her family every year mother will pay return fare for her to come back every year mother will buy her plane ticket to come back every year; she's going back to re-join / see/ live with / be reunited with her husband; her husband is an army officer.	1	Reject: Buy tickets with no reference to coming back or ticket type

Question	Accept	Marks	Reject / Notes
10 (b)	Sad /unhappy / upset to leave Moni /him (behind) (1)	2	
	she brought him up / cared for / looked after him since he was born / a baby (1)		

Question	Accept	Marks	Reject / Notes
10 (c)	One from: don't give up studies / study in college keep (on) / carry on / studying / with education married women can have a good career / do well (in life)	1	

Total: 45 marks

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