UNIVERSITY OF CAMBRIDGE INTERNATIONAL EXAMINATIONS

GCE Advanced Level and GCE Advanced Subsidiary Level

MARK SCHEME for the May/June 2006 question paper

9718 PORTUGUESE 8684 PORTUGUESE LANGUAGE

9718/03 and 8684/03

Paper 3

Maximum raw mark 40

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21-24	Very good	14-16	Very good	
	Confident use of complex sentence patterns, generally accurate, extensive vocabulary, good sense of idiom		Detailed, clearly relevant and well illustrated; coherently argued and structured.	
16-20	Good	11-13	Good	
	Generally sound grasp of grammar in spite of quite a few lapses; reads reasonably; some attempt at varied vocabulary.		Sound knowledge and generally relevant, some ability to develop argument and draw conclusions.	
10-15	Adequate	7-10	Adequate	
	A tendency to be simple, clumsy or laboured; some degree of accuracy; inappropriate use of idiom.		Some knowledge, but not always relevant, a more limited capacity to argue.	
5-9	Poor	3-6	Poor	
	Consistently simple or pedestrian sentence patterns with persistent errors; limited vocabulary.		Some attempt at argument, tends to be sketchy or unspecific; little attempt to structure an argument; major misunderstanding of question.	
1-4	Very poor	1-2	Very poor	
	Only the simplest sentence patterns, little evidence of grammatical awareness, very limited vocabulary.		Vague and general, ideas presented at random.	