

# Victorian Certificate of Education 2007

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## STUDENT NUMBER

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# ITALIAN

## Written examination

**Tuesday 20 November 2007**

**Reading time: 3.00 pm to 3.15 pm (15 minutes)**  
**Writing time: 3.15 pm to 5.15 pm (2 hours)**

## QUESTION AND ANSWER BOOK

### Structure of book

Section	Number of questions	Number of questions to be answered	Number of marks	Suggested times (minutes)
1 – Part A	9	9	15	30
– Part B	3	3	15	
2 – Part A	10	10	20	40
– Part B	2	2	10	
3	5	1	15	50
		Total 75		120

- Students are permitted to bring into the examination room: pens, pencils, highlighters, erasers, sharpeners, rulers and any printed monolingual or bilingual dictionary in one or two separate volumes. Dictionaries may be consulted during the reading time and also during the examination.
- Students are NOT permitted to bring into the examination room: blank sheets of paper and/or white out liquid/tape.
- No calculator is allowed in this examination.

### Materials supplied

- Question and answer book of 17 pages, including **Assessment criteria** on page 17.

### Instructions

- Write your **student number** in the space provided above on this page.
- Write all your answers in the spaces provided in this question and answer book. The spaces provided give you an idea of how much you should write.

### At the end of the examination

- Hand in this question and answer book at the end of the examination.

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**SECTION 1 – Listening and responding****Instructions for Section 1 – Part A****Texts 1 and 2, Questions 1–9**

You will hear two texts. Each text will be played twice. There will be a short break between the first and second playings of each text. You may make notes at any time.

Listen carefully to each text and then answer the questions in **ENGLISH**.

All answers **must** be based on the texts.

**TEXT 1** – Answer the following questions in **ENGLISH**.

Responses in the wrong language will receive no credit.

You may make notes  
in this space.

**Question 1**

Which season of the year is it in Italy?

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1 mark

**Question 2**

What will not happen in Italy this year?

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**Question 3**

From the general tone of the conversation, what is the relationship between David and Beatrice?

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1 mark

**Question 4**

What does the idiomatic expression used by David in closing the conversation correspond to in English?

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1 mark

**TEXT 2 – Answer the following questions in ENGLISH.**  
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**Question 5**

What mood is conveyed when David says, ‘Chi la fa, l’aspetti’?

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1 mark

**Question 6**

When was the last time David celebrated Carnevale?

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**Question 7**

What are the main activities which take place during Carnevale?

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3 marks

**Question 8**

List **four** cultural-religious festivals mentioned by David.

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4 marks

**Question 9**

For which events is Beatrice’s town famous?

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2 marks

Total 15 marks

**Instructions for Section 1 – Part B****Text 3, Questions 10–12**

You will hear one text. The text will be played twice. There will be a short break between the first and second playings of the text. You may make notes at any time.

Listen carefully to each text and then answer the questions in **ITALIAN**.

All answers **must** be based on the texts.

**TEXT 3** – Answer the following questions in **ITALIAN**.

Responses in the wrong language will receive no credit.

You may make notes  
in this space.

**Question 10**

What reasons are given by the captain for the plane's route being changed?

Quali sono i motivi per cui il capitano deve cambiare il piano di volo?

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**Question 11**

Who will meet the passengers at Rome airport?

Chi incontrerà i passeggeri all'aeroporto di Roma?

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**Question 12**

In two or three sentences, explain what else the airline is doing to ensure the passengers' comfort and the smooth resumption of their journey.

Spiega in due o tre frasi cosa fa ancora la compagnia aerea per garantire il benessere dei passeggeri ed una serena ripresa del loro viaggio.

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Total 15 marks

**SECTION 2 – Reading and responding****Instructions for Section 2 – Part A****Text 4, Questions 13–22**

Read the text and then answer the questions in **ENGLISH**.

All answers **must** be based on the texts.

**TEXT 4** – Answer the following questions in **ENGLISH**.

Responses in the wrong language will receive no credit.

You may make notes  
in this space.

SCUOLA MEDIA STATALE “ACEE”  
Via Verdi 159, Busseto

4 ottobre, 2007

Cari genitori,

A seguito della Circolare Ministeriale riguardante il problema dell’ obesità tra gli adolescenti, alle scuole è stato richiesto di considerare soluzioni a questo fenomeno. Questo problema è molto serio: infatti, secondo l’Organizzazione Mondiale della Sanità, un ragazzo su 5 in Europa è sovrappeso. In Italia, mediamente, il 4% dei bambini e degli adolescenti è obeso e il 26,9% dei maschi e il 21,2% delle femmine tra i 6 e i 17 anni è sovrappeso, e il trend è crescente.

Così, a partire dal nuovo anno scolastico, si chiede ai genitori di non dare ai figli per l’ora di ricreazione le solite merendine ricche di zuccheri e grassi dannosi alla salute ma di sostituirle con frutta o cose simili.

La scuola abolirà i distributori automatici di cibo spazzatura e di bevande ad alto contenuto di zuccheri e cercherà di controllare strettamente il cibo venduto nella scuola dai vari fornitori locali. Inoltre, un programma di attività fisiche e di educazione alimentare sarà messo in atto da un dietologo che seguirà gli studenti durante tutto l’anno scolastico.

La scuola conta sulla Vostra collaborazione e Vi invita a partecipare alla prima riunione che verrà tenuta nell’Aula Magna giovedì 27 ottobre p.v. alle ore 19.

Il Preside

**Question 13**

From when are parents asked to alter their children's snacks?

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1 mark

You may make notes  
in this space.

**Question 14**

What are the educational initiatives that the school is implementing?

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**Question 15**

Which immediate steps are being taken by the school?

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3 marks

**Question 16**

Give an example of how parents can improve their children's eating habits.

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2 marks

**Question 17**

Why is the principal taking this initiative?

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2 marks

**Question 18**

Tick (✓) the correct box.

The term ‘mediamente’ in the text refers to

- now.
- medium.
- on average.
- in the meantime.

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in this space.

1 mark

**Question 19**

According to the principal’s letter, is the problem in Italy different from that of Europe? Give evidence to support your answer.

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2 marks

**Question 20**

What does the World Health Organization forecast for the future?

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**Question 21**

Who will monitor the individual success of students?

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**Question 22**

Name at least three features/expressions typical of this text type.

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3 marks

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**Instructions for Section 2 – Part B****Text 5, Questions 23 and 24**

Read the text and then answer the questions in **ITALIAN**.

All answers **must** be based on the text.

**TEXT 5** – Answer the following questions in **ITALIAN**.

Responses in the wrong language will receive no credit.

You may make notes  
in this space.

**INTRODUZIONE**

Finalmente il mio libro, “La Contribuzione degli Italiani alla Società Australiana”, vede la luce. Qualche parola di spiegazione, cari lettori, prima di immergerVi nella lettura. Forse vedendo il titolo del libro, Vi aspettate di leggere ancora una volta di cibo italiano (pasta, pizza, frutta, verdure, vino, caffè ecc.), di edilizia e nient’altro. Questo non è il caso. In questo libro voglio enfatizzare che gli italiani in Australia hanno dimostrato la loro abilità e creatività anche in molti altri campi; anzi, anche se spesso viene dimenticato, gli italiani hanno addirittura aperto la società australiana a nuove correnti artistiche. Questo è il caso, per esempio, nel campo della scultura e della pittura. Lo sapevate, cari lettori, che nel 1875 fu un italiano (E.L. Montefiore) uno dei fondatori della prima Accademia delle Arti nel Nuovo Galles del Sud? I primi insegnanti di quell’Accademia furono due italiani (lo scultore Achille Simonetti e il pittore Giulio Annivitti). Ancora più interessante, viene riportato che un italiano, Girolamo Nerli, introdusse in Australia la pittura impressionista. Questo tipo di pittura influenzò molti famosi giovani pittori australiani del tempo (tra questi Arthur Streeton e Charles Conder) che, nelle loro opere, cercarono di ricreare i temi e le caratteristiche dei quadri di Nerli.

Cari lettori, spero che questa breve introduzione Vi abbia incuriosito abbastanza da farVi decidere di continuare a leggere il libro, quindi, a tutti Voi, buona lettura!

L’autore.

**Question 23**

In a paragraph, discuss the main idea expressed in the text ‘Introduzione’.

In un paragrafo discuti l’idea principale espressa nel testo “Introduzione”.

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**Question 24**

Based on the information given in the text, write a paragraph of three or four sentences summarising the evidence supporting the main idea of the text.

Basandoti sulle informazioni fornite nel testo, scrivi un paragrafo di tre o quattro frasi che riassume le ragioni a sostegno dell’idea principale del testo.

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Total 10 marks

## SECTION 3 – Writing in Italian

### Instructions for Section 3

Answer **one** question in 200–300 words in **ITALIAN**.

Responses in the wrong language will receive no credit.

Space is provided on the following page to make notes.

#### Question 25

You have been asked to address a visiting delegation of young Italian environmentalists. Write the text of your speech outlining at least five ways in which the drought has impacted on people living in the country or the city.

Ti è stato chiesto di parlare ad una delegazione di giovani ambientalisti italiani. Scrivi il testo del tuo discorso sottolineando almeno cinque modi in cui la siccità ha influito sulla popolazione della campagna o della città.

**OR**

#### Question 26

You have begun a part-time job which you hope to keep while studying at university. However, early in the year you paid for a holiday with a group of friends. Write a persuasive letter to your employer in which you outline five reasons why you should be allowed to go.

Hai iniziato un lavoro a tempo ridotto che speravi di mantenere mentre studi all'università. Comunque, all'inizio dell'anno avevi pagato per una vacanza insieme ad un gruppo di amici. Scrivi al tuo datore di lavoro una lettera persuasiva in cui sottolinei cinque motivi per cui ti dovrebbe essere permesso di andare.

**OR**

#### Question 27

It is your turn to contribute to the online journal your Italian class has set up to review popular television programs. This week's topic is 'Reality Shows'. Write your contribution outlining three positive and two negative points about reality shows.

È il tuo turno di contribuire al diario online che la tua classe di Italiano ha preparato per la critica di programmi televisivi popolari. Il tema di questa settimana è "Reality Shows". Da' il tuo contributo sottolineando tre punti positivi e due negativi su questi programmi.

**OR**

#### Question 28

You are strolling through the city centre when a shop window catches your attention. You go and stand in front of it and suddenly find yourself lost in a dream. Recount your dream noting at least five different aspects of it.

Stai passeggiando in centro città, quando la vetrina di un negozio attira la tua attenzione. Ti avvicini, le sosti davanti ed all'improvviso ti trovi a sognare. Racconta il tuo sogno, puntualizzando almeno cinque differenti aspetti di esso.

**OR**

#### Question 29

You have been invited by an Italian tourism magazine to write an article on your experiences of places of importance to Italian migrants in Australia. Write on five places you feel strongly about and why they would appeal to Italian tourists.

Sei stato invitato/a da una rivista italiana di turismo a scrivere un articolo sui posti legati alla storia dell'emigrazione italiana in Australia. Nomina cinque di questi posti che tu ritieni di grande importanza e perché pensi possano interessare i turisti italiani.

Total 15 marks

**SECTION 3 – continued**  
[www.theallpapers.com](http://www.theallpapers.com)

You may make notes in this space.

Write your response on the following pages.

**SECTION 3 – continued**  
**TURN OVER**  
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**Question No.** \_\_\_\_\_ (Mark in the box the number of the question you are answering.)

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A script book is available from the supervisor if you need extra paper to complete your answer. Please ensure you write your **student number** in the space provided on the front cover of the script book. At the end of the examination, place the script book inside the front cover of this question and answer book.

## **Assessment criteria**

### **Section 1: Listening and responding**

#### **Part A**

- The capacity to understand and convey general and specific aspects of texts

#### **Part B**

- The capacity to understand general and specific aspects of texts
- The capacity to convey information accurately and appropriately

### **Section 2: Reading and responding**

#### **Part A**

- The capacity to understand and convey general and specific aspects of texts

#### **Part B**

- The capacity to understand general and specific aspects of texts
- The capacity to convey information accurately and appropriately

### **Section 3: Writing in Italian**

- Relevance, breadth and depth of content
- Appropriateness of structure and sequence
- Accuracy, range and appropriateness of vocabulary and grammar

**END OF QUESTION AND ANSWER BOOK**