

Paper 2: Productive skills—Section B

Criterion A: Language

To what extent does the student demonstrate an ability to use the language effectively and accurately?

- Does the student use a range of vocabulary and grammatical structures?
- Does the student show an awareness of the appropriate register for the task?

Marks	Level descriptor
0	The response does not reach a standard described by the descriptors below.
1–2	The response and communication are of limited effectiveness. The range of vocabulary used is limited. Some basic grammatical structures are used accurately. These are isolated and limited in range. Register is inappropriate.
3–4	The response and communication are partially effective. The range of vocabulary used is sometimes varied. Most basic grammatical structures are used accurately. Register is partially appropriate.
5–6	The response is generally accurate and communication is generally effective. The range of vocabulary used is varied. Basic grammatical structures and a limited range of more complex grammatical structures are used accurately. Register is generally appropriate.
7–8	The response is accurate and communication is effective. The range of vocabulary is varied and effective. Basic and some more complex grammatical structures are used accurately. Register is appropriate.

Criterion B: Message

To what extent does the student fulfill the task?

- Are the ideas well developed?
- Is there evidence of a logical structure (paragraphing and sequencing)?
- Are cohesive devices used effectively?

Marks	Level descriptor
0	The response does not reach a standard described by the descriptors below.
1–2	The task has been partially fulfilled. One or more ideas have been identified and have been partially developed. There is limited evidence of a logical structure. There is a partially successful use of a limited range of simple cohesive devices.
3–4	The task has been generally fulfilled. One or more ideas have been identified and have been developed. There is evidence of a logical structure. There is a generally successful use of a range of simple cohesive devices.
5–6	The task has been fulfilled. All ideas have been identified and some have been developed well. There is a logical structure. There is successful use of a range of simple cohesive devices.
7–8	The task has been fulfilled effectively. All ideas have been developed well. There is an effective, logical structure. There is successful use of a range of simple and some complex cohesive devices.

Criterion C: Format

To what extent does the student succeed in using the correct text type?

- Does the student use the appropriate format?

Marks	Level descriptor
0	The format is not appropriate.
1	The format is partially appropriate.
2	The format is appropriate.