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Paper 1 Listening, Reading and Writing

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Section A

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Qu	Accept	Mark	Notes
01.1	P	1	
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Qu	Accept	Mark	Notes
01.2	N	1	
Qu	Accept	Mark	Notes
01.3	P+N	1	
Qu	Accept	Mark	Notes
01.4	P	1	
Qu	Accept	Mark	Notes
01.5	N	1	
Qu	Accept	Mark	Notes
02.1	A	1	
Qu	Accept	Mark	Notes
02.2	Е	1	
Qu	Accept	Mark	Notes
02.3	M	1	
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Qu	Accept	Mark	Notes
02.4	A	1	

Qu	Accept	Mark	Notes
02.5	E	1	

Qu	Accept	Mark	Notes
02.6	A	1	

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Determine a mark

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When assigning a level you should look at the overall quality of the answer and not look to pick holes in small and specific parts of the answer where the student has not performed quite as well as the rest. If the answer covers different aspects of different levels of the mark scheme you should use a best fit approach for defining the level ie if the response is predominantly level 3 with a small amount of level 4 material it would be placed in level 3.

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An answer which contains nothing of relevance to the question must be awarded no marks.

Summary questions

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Text includes Après avoir fait des études elle est devenue médecin.

Summary task includes the bullet point Ce qu'elle a fait avant de devenir médecin.

Correct answer is Elle a fait des études.

Student writes in response to that bullet point Après avoir fait des études elle est devenue médecin. No credit for AO1 because the response does not match the phrasing of the bullet point. (Also no credit for AO3 because of lifting.)

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3	The language produced contains many errors. The student shows some grasp of grammar and is occasionally able to manipulate complex structures accurately where required by the task.
2	The language produced contains many errors, some of a basic nature. The student shows little grasp of grammar and is rarely able to manipulate complex structures accurately where required by the task.
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Qu	Key Idea	Accept	Mark	Notes
	 Bullet point 1 son copain l'a quittée elle ne supportait pas la solitude 	elle a vécu une rupture amoureuse elle se sentait seule	2	Reject
03	Bullet point 2 Ils n'étaient pas gênés Aurélien lui parlait d'une façon naturelle Ils sont tombés amoureux (tout de suite)	il n'y avait pas de gêne	3	Reject
	Bullet point 3 any 2 from 3 il ne faut pas renoncer trop vite il vaut mieux rencontrer plusieurs personnes il faut être patient	c'est une bonne idée de rencontrer plusieurs personnes au début on ne va pas rencontrer son partenaire idéal tout de suite/il ne faut pas renoncer (au site) trop vite	2	Reject

Question 04

Reject answers with extra information that changes or contradicts the meaning. Reject answers with extra information as a result of indiscriminate/untargeted lifting from the source material.

Qu	Key Idea	Accept	Mark	Notes
04.1	elle sait où elle est née	son lieu de naissance	2	
	quand elle est née	sa date de naissance		

Qu	Key Idea	Accept	Mark	Notes
04.2	elle a été bouleversée	choquée	2	
	elle a été déprimée	triste		

Qu	Key Idea	Accept	Mark	Notes
04.3	elle avait de la chance les enfants adoptés connaissent l'amour	elle a connu l'amour	2	

Qu	Key Idea	Accept	Mark	Notes
04.4	elle ne la juge pas		3	
	elle la trouve courageuse			
	sa mère voulait lui offrir une meilleure vie			

Qu	Key Idea	Accept	Mark	Notes
04.5	elle veut réussir (ses études) elle veut remercier ses parents elle veut que ses parents soient fiers (d'elle)	elle veut plaire à ses parents	3	elle veut réussir pour remercier ses parents = 2

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Question 5

Reject answers with extra information that changes or contradicts the meaning.

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Qu	Key Idea	Mark	Notes
05.1	accueille	1	

Qu	Key Idea	Mark	Notes
05.2	corvées/activités	1	

Qu	Key Idea	Mark	Notes
05.3	soins	1	

Qu	Key Idea	Mark	Notes
05.4	assumer	1	

Qu	Key Idea	Mark	Notes
05.5	ouverture d'esprit	1	

Qu	Key Idea	Mark	Notes
05.6	acclimatation	1	

Qu	Accept	Mark	Notes
06	H, B, A, G, E, D, C (in this order)	7	
Qu	Accept	Mark	Notes
07.1	v	1	
Qu	Accept	Mark	Notes
07.2	V	1	
Qu	Accept	Mark	Notes
07.3	F	1	
Qu	Accept	Mark	Notes
07.4	V	1	
Qu	Accept	Mark	Notes
07.5	V	1	
Qu	Accept	Mark	Notes
07.6	ND	1	
Qu	Accept	Mark	Notes
07.7	F	1	
Qu	Accept	Mark	Notes
07.8	F	1	
Qu	Accept	Mark	Notes
07.9	F	1	

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07.10	V	1	

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08	Bullet point 2 Ils pourraient abandonner leurs études Ils peuvent boire trop (d'alcool) Ils peuvent se droguer	quitter l'école devenir ivres prendre des drogues/devenir toxicomanes	3	Reject
	il reçoit plus de cadeaux il n'assiste plus aux disputes	ses parents lui offrent plus de cadeaux la maison est plus calme	2	Reject

Question 09

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09.1	il pensait qu'elle devrait faire des études le métier de chanteuse est incertain/précaire	les études sont importantes elle devrait trouver un emploi moins précaire/il connaissait les difficultés de devenir chanteuse	2	

Qu	Key Idea	Accept	Mark	Notes
09.2	elle a écrit une chanson (rendre hommage à) son père un producteur l'a invitée à travailler avec lui		2	

Qu	Key Idea	Accept	Mark	Notes
09.3	elle a travaillé dur		2	
	elle a une bonne équipe			

Qu	Key Idea	Accept	Mark	Notes
09.4	ses chansons transmettent un message elle veut partager ses expériences	les paroles font passer un message	2	

Qu	Key Idea	Accept	Mark	Notes
09.5	elle veut parler des problèmes de la vie (réelle) elle veut établir la musique camerounaise à l'échelle internationale		2	

Acceptable quality of English in translations into English

Errors in spelling

Where the candidate's attempted spelling is a recognisable form of the correct spelling and does not correspond to another English word, the attempted spelling is accepted eg weight mis-spelt as waight is acceptable but mis-spelt as wait gives another word and so causes ambiguity.

Alternative answers

Examiners will be provided with a range of alternative answers in mark-schemes but in the event that these do not legislate for all versions and variations which candidates might produce, the guiding principle will be that answers that convey the same intended meaning are accepted.

Successful translation

Translation will be deemed successful if an English speaker would understand the translation and if each element of the original text figures in the translation.

Qu						
10	The table below shows the type of answer that is acceptable for each section of the text. Award one tick per correct section.					
Вох		Accept	Notes			
1	Après divers petits métiers,	After diverse small jobs,	Accept : several, various, sundry, lowly			
2	Gérard Depardieu a quitté sa ville natale pour Paris.	Gérard Depardieu left his home town for Paris.	Reject: present tense			
3	Très peu formé,	With very little training, with little experience	Reject: not formed			
4	il a néanmoins obtenu un succès critique.	he nevertheless obtained critical success/acclaim.	Accept: even so/despite this			
5	Peu de temps après, sa célébrité s'était étendue	Shortly afterwards, his fame had spread	Must be pluperfect			
6	et le cinéma américain lui a proposé des rôles.	and (the) American cinema offered him roles/parts.	Accept: suggested roles to him			
7	L'acteur a reçu un grand nombre de récompenses.	The actor (has) received a large number/many awards/prizes/rewards.				
8	Marquée de scandales en tous genres,	Marked by scandals of all kinds,				
9	sa vie privée a été tempétueuse.	his private life has been stormy/tempestuous/he (has) had a stormy private life.				
10	Depuis quinze ans, il vit avec la romancière Clémentine Igou.	For (the last) 15 years, he has lived/been living with the novelist/writer/author Clémentine Igou.	Reject: wrong number of years/ since 15 years/ present tense			