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MARK SCHEME

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MARKING INSTRUCTIONS**PREPARATION FOR MARKING
RM ASSESSOR**

1. Make sure that you have accessed and completed the relevant training packages for on-screen marking: *RM Assessor Online Training: OCR Essential Guide to Marking*.
2. Make sure that you have read and understood the mark scheme and the question paper for this unit. These are available in RM Assessor
3. Log-in to RM Assessor and mark the **required number** of practice responses (“scripts”) and the **required number** of standardisation responses.

MARKING

1. Mark strictly to the mark scheme.
2. Marks awarded must relate directly to the marking criteria.
3. The schedule of dates is very important. It is essential that you meet the RM Assessor 50% and 100% (traditional 40% Batch 1 and 100% Batch 2) deadlines. If you experience problems, you must contact your Team Leader (Supervisor) without delay.
4. If you are in any doubt about applying the mark scheme, consult your Team Leader by telephone, email or via the RM Assessor messaging system.

5. Crossed-Out Responses

Where a candidate has crossed out a response and provided a clear alternative then the crossed-out response is not marked. Where no alternative response has been provided, examiners may give candidates the benefit of the doubt and mark the crossed-out response where legible.

Rubric Error Responses – Optional Questions

Where candidates have a choice of question across a whole paper or a whole section and have provided more answers than required, then all responses are marked and the highest mark allowable within the rubric is given. Enter a mark for each question answered into RM Assessor, which will select the highest mark from those awarded. *(The underlying assumption is that the candidate has penalised themselves by attempting more questions than necessary in the time allowed.)*

Contradictory Responses

When a candidate provides contradictory responses, then no mark should be awarded, even if one of the answers is correct.

Short Answer Questions (requiring only a list by way of a response, usually worth only one mark per response)

Where candidates are required to provide a set number of short answer responses then only the set number of responses should be marked. The response space should be marked from left to right on each line and then line by line until the required number of responses have been considered. The remaining responses should not then be marked. Examiners will have to apply judgement as to whether a 'second response' on a line is a development of the 'first response', rather than a separate, discrete response. *(The underlying assumption is that the candidate is attempting to hedge their bets and therefore getting undue benefit rather than engaging with the question and giving the most relevant/correct responses.)*

Short Answer Questions (requiring a more developed response, worth two or more marks)

If the candidates are required to provide a description of, say, three items or factors and four items or factors are provided, then mark on a similar basis – that is downwards (as it is unlikely in this situation that a candidate will provide more than one response in each section of the response space).

Longer Answer Questions (requiring a developed response)

Where candidates have provided two (or more) responses to a medium or high tariff question which only required a single (developed) response and not crossed out the first response, then only the first response should be marked. Examiners will need to apply professional judgement as to whether the second (or a subsequent) response is a 'new start' or simply a poorly expressed continuation of the first response.

1. Always check the pages (and additional objects if present) at the end of the response in case any answers have been continued there. If the candidate has continued an answer there, then add the annotation 'SEEN' to confirm that the work has been seen and mark any responses using the annotations in section 11.
2. There is a NR (**No Response**) option. Award NR (No Response):
 - if there is nothing written at all in the answer space
 - OR if there is a comment which does not in any way relate to the question (e.g., 'can't do', 'don't know')
 - OR if there is a mark (e.g., a dash, a question mark) which is not an attempt at the question.

Note: Award 0 marks – for an attempt that earns no credit (including copying out the question).
3. The RM Assessor **comments box** is used by your Team Leader to explain the marking of the practice responses. Please refer to these comments when checking your practice responses. **Do not use the comments box for any other reason.**
4. *Assistant Examiners will send a brief report on the performance of candidates to their Team Leader (Supervisor) via email by the end of the marking period. The report should contain notes on particular strengths displayed as well as common errors or weaknesses. Constructive criticism of the question paper/mark scheme is also appreciated.*

5. For answers marked by levels of response:

To determine the level – start at the highest level and work down until you reach the level that matches the answer

To determine the mark within the level, consider the following

<i>Descriptor</i>	<i>Award mark</i>
On the borderline of this level and the one below	At bottom of level
Just enough achievement on balance for this level	Above bottom and either below middle or at middle of level (depending on number of marks available)
Meets the criteria but with some slight inconsistency	Above middle and either below top of level or at middle of level (depending on number of marks available)
Consistently meets the criteria for this level	At top of level

6. Annotations:

Annotation	Meaning
	Indicates a blank page on which the candidate has made no mark of any kind
SEEN	Indicates a page on which there is some writing or drawing which is not credited, e.g. a plan for Q5-6
	Indicates correct answers (Q1) relevant evidence (Q2) explanations and development (Q3-4) effective language or structure (Q5-6)
	Indicates explanations that may have some validity but are not clearly or fully explained (Q2-4)
	Indicates incorrect answers (Q1) irrelevant evidence (Q2) incomplete quotations (Q3-4) missing elements of a clause (Q5-6)
	Indicates valid similarities between the texts (Q2) words or phrases that connect the two texts (Q4)
	Indicates subject terminology used to describe features of language or the quotation of individual key words (Q3)
	Indicates subject terminology used to describe features of structure or a general reference to structure (Q3)
	Indicates a word or phrase which is evaluative (Q4)
	Indicates evidence taken from part of the text not specified in the question (Q3) sections of a response which are incoherent (Q5-6)
	Indicates misinterpretations of the text (Q2-4) errors in spelling, punctuation, grammar

7. Subject-specific Marking Instructions

INTRODUCTION

Your first task as an Examiner is to become thoroughly familiar with the material on which the examination depends. This material includes:

- the specification, especially the assessment objectives
- the question paper and its rubrics
- the unseen texts
- the mark scheme.

You should ensure that you have copies of these materials.

You should ensure also that you are familiar with the administrative procedures related to the marking process. These are set out in the OCR booklet **Instructions for Examiners**. If you are examining for the first time, please read carefully **Appendix 5 Introduction to Script Marking: Notes for New Examiners**.

Please ask for help or guidance whenever you need it. Your first point of contact is your Team Leader.

Rubric Infringement

Candidates may infringe the rubric in the following way:

- answering two questions from Section B.

If a candidate has written two answers for Section B, mark both answers and award the highest mark achieved.

ASSESSMENT OBJECTIVES

Candidates are expected to demonstrate the following in the context of the content described:

AO1	Identify and interpret explicit and implicit information and ideas. Select and synthesise evidence from different texts.
AO2	Explain, comment on and analyse how writers use language and structure to achieve effects and influence readers, using relevant subject terminology to support their views.
AO3	Compare writers' ideas and perspectives, as well as how these are conveyed, across two or more texts.
AO4	Evaluate texts critically and support this with appropriate textual references.
AO5	Communicate clearly, effectively and imaginatively, selecting and adapting tone, style and register for different forms, purposes and audiences. Organise information and ideas, using structural and grammatical features to support coherence and cohesion of texts.
AO6	Candidates must use a range of vocabulary and sentence structures for clarity, purpose and effect, with accurate spelling and punctuation.

WEIGHTING OF ASSESSMENT OBJECTIVES

The relationship between the components and the assessment objectives of the scheme of assessment is shown in the following grid:

	% of GCSE (9–1)						
	AO1	AO2	AO3	AO4	AO5	AO6	Total
J351/01 <i>Communicating Information and Ideas</i>	6.25	7.5	3.75	7.5	15	10	50%
J351/02 <i>Exploring Effects and Impact</i>	2.5	11.25	3.75	7.5	15	10	50%
Total	8.75	18.75	7.5	15	30	20	100%

USING THE MARK SCHEME

Please study this Mark Scheme carefully. The Mark Scheme is an integral part of the process that begins with the setting of the question paper and ends with the awarding of grades. Question papers and Mark Schemes are developed in association with each other so that issues of differentiation and positive achievement can be addressed from the very start.

This Mark Scheme is a working document; it is not exhaustive; it does not provide ‘correct’ answers. The Mark Scheme can only provide ‘best guesses’ about how the question will work out, and it is subject to revision after we have looked at a wide range of scripts.

The Examiners’ Standardisation Meeting will ensure that the Mark Scheme covers the range of candidates’ responses to the questions, and that all Examiners understand and apply the Mark Scheme in the same way. The Mark Scheme will be discussed and amended at the meeting, and administrative procedures will be confirmed. Practice scripts will be issued at the meeting to exemplify aspects of candidates’ responses and achievements; the Practice scripts then become part of this Mark Scheme.

Before the Standardisation Meeting, you should read and mark in pencil a number of scripts, in order to gain an impression of the range of responses and achievement that may be expected.

In your marking, you will encounter valid responses which are not covered by the Mark Scheme: these responses must be credited. You will encounter answers which fall outside the 'target range' of Level of Response Bands for the paper which you are marking. Please mark these answers according to the marking criteria.

Please read carefully all the scripts in your allocation and make every effort to look positively for achievement throughout the ability range. Always be prepared to use the full range of marks.

INFORMATION AND INSTRUCTIONS FOR EXAMINERS

- 1 The practice scripts provide you with *examples* of the standard of each band. The marks awarded for these scripts will have been agreed by the Team Leaders and will be discussed fully at the Examiners' Standardisation Meeting.
- 2 The specific task-related notes on each question will help you to understand how the band descriptors may be applied. However, these comments do not constitute the mark scheme. They are some thoughts on what was in the setter's mind when the question was formulated. It is hoped that candidates will respond to questions in a variety of ways and will give original and at times unexpected interpretations of texts. Rigid demands for 'what must be a good answer' would lead to a distorted assessment.
- 3 Candidates' answers must be relevant to the question. Beware of prepared answers that do not show the candidate's thought and which have not been adapted to the thrust of the question. Beware also of answers where candidates attempt to reproduce interpretations and concepts that they have been taught but have only partially understood.
- 4 Candidates' answers should demonstrate knowledge and understanding of the texts. This knowledge will be shown in the range and detail of their references to the text. Re-telling sections of the text without commentary is of little or no value.

INSTRUCTIONS TO EXAMINERS:**A INDIVIDUAL ANSWERS**

- 1 The indicative content indicates the expected parameters for candidates' answers but be prepared to recognise and credit unexpected approaches where they show relevance.
- 2 Using 'best-fit', decide first which set of Level of Response Band Descriptors best describes the overall quality of the answer. Once the band is located, adjust the mark concentrating on features of the answer which make it stronger or weaker following the guidelines for refinement.
 - **Highest mark:** If clear evidence of all the qualities in the band descriptors is shown, the HIGHEST Mark should be awarded.
 - **Lowest mark:** If the answer shows the candidate to be borderline (i.e. they have achieved all the qualities of the bands below and show limited evidence of meeting the criteria of the band in question) the LOWEST mark should be awarded.
 - **Middle mark:** This mark should be used for candidates who are secure in the band. They are not 'borderline' but they have only achieved some of the qualities in the band descriptors.
- 3 Be prepared to use the full range of marks. Do not reserve (e.g.) high Level 6 marks 'in case' something turns up of a quality you have not yet seen. If an answer gives clear evidence of the qualities described in the band descriptors, reward appropriately.

B TOTAL MARKS

- 1 Transfer the mark awarded to the front of the script.
- 2 The maximum mark for the paper is **80**.

1 Look at lines 1-9.

- a) Give **two** phrases that describe what Mrs. Auld taught Frederick Douglass.
- b) Give **one** phrase which describes what Mr. Auld did when he found out.
- c) Explain **one** way Mr. Auld thinks learning to read would harm Frederick Douglass.

Question		Answer	Marks	Guidance
1	(a)	Give one mark for each of the following: (Mrs Auld very kindly commenced to teach me) the A, B, C (she assisted me in learning) to spell (words of three or four letters)	2	Give marks for quotations only Do not accept 'words of three or four letters' only
1	(b)	Give one mark for the following: (Mr. Auld found out what was going on, and at once) forbade Mrs. Auld to instruct me further (telling her, among other things, that it was unlawful, as well as unsafe)	1	Give a mark for a quotation or a paraphrase Do not accept 'it was unlawful it was unsafe to teach a slave to read'
1	(c)	Give one mark for any one of the following: - spoil the best slave in the world - become unmanageable / only purpose is to obey his master - of no value to his master - discontented and unhappy	1	Give one mark for a quotation or explanation

The response space should be marked from left to right on each line and then line by line until the required number of responses have been considered.

Question 2

Both writers describe their thoughts and feelings about reading. What are the similarities between their thoughts and feelings? Draw on evidence from both texts to support your answer. (6 marks)

AO1ii: Select and synthesise evidence from different texts.

Where the candidate's answer consistently meets the criteria, the higher mark should be awarded.

Level 3 (5–6 marks)	A detailed response which shows a secure ability to synthesise appropriate ideas and evidence from both texts, showing perceptive understanding of their thoughts and feelings about reading , including conceptual ideas.
Level 2 (3–4 marks)	A response which shows some ability to make connections between ideas and evidence from both texts, showing clear awareness of their thoughts and feelings about reading . The ideas and evidence selected may not be equal across both texts.
Level 1 (1–2 marks)	A response which shows limited ability to select and make connections between evidence from both texts, showing a little awareness of their thoughts and feelings about reading . The evidence selected is likely to focus on more obvious, surface features of the texts and may be imbalanced across the texts.
0 marks	No response or no response worthy of credit.

Question 2 Guidance

Give credit for answers that synthesise evidence from both texts. Higher-level responses will draw together and synthesise perceptive ideas, using appropriate evidence from both texts. Lower-level responses will make straightforward connections between points and use some relevant evidence. Give credit for the quality of the response and the skill shown in the ability to synthesise appropriate ideas and evidence. Higher-level responses will draw on conceptual ideas whereas lower-level responses will select and comment on more obvious features.

Candidates may refer to some of the following points:

- both writers see reading as important/valuable/powerful/positive – reward just once if the same idea is repeated
- both desired to read/were passionate about reading
- loved to read/enjoyed reading
- both were desperate to read/ determined to read
- both felt discouraged at times from reading
- both saw reading as a way of overcoming their problems, e.g. gaining freedom (Text 1) escape and sanctuary (Text 2)
- both see reading as a way to learn things/ gain knowledge

Do not reward the same idea twice.

Do award marks if the descriptors for Level 3 have been met even if fewer than three similarities have been identified.

Question 3

Look at lines 12-27. Explore how Michiko Kakutani uses language and structure to describe the ways books affect people. Support your ideas by using relevant subject terminology. (12 marks)

AO2: *Explain, comment on and analyse how writers use language and structure to achieve effects and influence readers, using relevant subject terminology to support their views.*

Where the candidate's answer consistently meets the criteria, the higher mark should be awarded.

Level 6 (11–12 marks)	- A skilled analysis which demonstrates a sophisticated appreciation of how the writer has used language and structure to achieve effects and influence the reader. Candidates' analysis of both language and structure is consistent and detailed. - Precisely–selected and integrated subject terminology deployed to enhance the response.
Level 5 (9–10 marks)	- An analysis which demonstrates a perceptive understanding of how the writer has used language and structure to achieve effects and influence the reader. Candidates' analysis of both language and structure is reasonably detailed and balanced. - Well–chosen subject terminology integrated into explanations.
Level 4 (7–8 marks)	- A developed explanation which shows a secure understanding of how the writer has used language and structure to achieve effects and influence the reader. Candidates comment on the effects of both language and structure, but the explanation may not be entirely balanced. - Relevant terminology should be used to develop ideas.
Level 3 (5–6 marks)	- A clear explanation which shows a general understanding of how the writer has used language and structure to achieve effects and influence the reader. Candidates refer to language and structure but may not give a full explanation of the effects of both. - Some use of relevant subject terminology to support ideas.
Level 2 (3–4 marks)	- A straightforward commentary which shows some understanding of how the writer has used language and structure to achieve effects and influence the reader. Candidates are likely to refer more fully to either language or structure and note some features without explaining the effects. - Some use of subject terminology, though it may not always be relevant.
Level 1 (1–2 marks)	- A descriptive response which shows limited awareness of how the writer has used language and structure to achieve effects and influence the reader. - Little or no use of subject terminology.
0 marks	No response or no response worthy of credit.

Question 3 Guidance

Give credit for answers that link aspects of language and structure with how they are used to convey **how books affect people**, supported by close and relevant reference to the text.

Give credit for accurate use of relevant terminology integrated into responses, which shows a precise understanding of features and their effect in this text.

Candidates must refer to the use of language and structure in their response. A response which does not achieve a reasonable balance between references to language and to structure cannot achieve the higher levels, as indicated in the level descriptors.

Candidates may refer to some of the following points:

- cereal boxes, appliance manuals, supermarket circulars (three-part list)
- hungry for words (metaphor)
- using my bedroom as their portal into the real world where they might wreak havoc and destruction. (metaphor)
- black histories and dystopian futures (contrast)
- outsiders trying to figure out who they were and where they belonged (syntactic parallelism)
- strangers in a strange land (metaphor)
- learning how to navigate worlds where few of the usual rules applied (metaphor)
- our contentious and fragmented world (adjectives)
- a startling window on history (metaphor)
- an all-access pass to knowledge both old and new (metaphor)
- and, most of all, books can catalyse empathy (metaphor)
- something more and more precious in an increasingly polarized and tribal world (repetition)

Do NOT award marks for comments based on references to material from outside the specified lines.

Question 4

‘Both texts show the surprising ways that other people helped the writers to read.’ How far do you agree with this statement? In your answer you should: discuss what we learn about how people helped the writers; explain how far you agree that the help the people gave was surprising; compare the ways the texts present the surprising ways that other people helped the writers to read. Support your response with quotations from Text 1 and Text 2. (18 marks).

Mark the response out of 12 marks (AO4) **and** out of 6 marks (AO3) using the two sets of level descriptors below; add the two marks together to award a total mark out of 18. Where the candidate’s answer consistently meets the criteria, the higher mark should be awarded.

AO3 (6 marks) Compare writers’ ideas and perspectives as well as how these are conveyed across two or more texts.		AO4 (12 marks) Evaluate texts critically and support this with appropriate textual references.	
Level 6 (6 marks)	• A detailed, interwoven comparison which explores writers’ ideas and perspectives and how they are conveyed.	Level 6 (11–12 marks)	sustained critical evaluation demonstrating a perceptive and considered response to the statement full explanation of the impact of the texts on the reader comments are supported by apt, skilfully selected and integrated textual references
Level 5 (5 marks)	• A sustained comparison of writers’ ideas and perspectives and how they are conveyed.	Level 5 (9–10 marks)	informed critical evaluation showing a thoughtful response to the statement clear consideration of the impact of the texts on the reader comments are supported by persuasive textual references
Level 4 (4 marks)	• A developed comparison of writers’ ideas and perspectives and how they are conveyed.	Level 4 (7–8 marks)	developed evaluative comments addressing the statement some comments about the impact on the reader comments are supported by well–chosen textual references
Level 3 (3 marks)	• A clear comparison of writers’ ideas and perspectives which begins to consider how they are conveyed.	Level 3 (5–6 marks)	clear evaluative comments some awareness of the impact on the reader comments are supported by appropriate textual references
Level 2 (2 marks)	• A response which identifies main points of comparison between writers’ ideas and perspectives.	Level 2 (3–4 marks)	straightforward evaluative comments a little awareness of the impact on the reader comments are supported by some appropriate textual references
Level 1 (1 mark)	• A response which makes simple points of comparison between writers’ ideas and perspectives.	Level 1 (1–2 marks)	limited description of content comments are supported by copying or paraphrase.
0 marks	• No response or no response worthy of credit.	0 marks	no response or no response worthy of credit

Question 4 Guidance

This question assesses AO4 and AO3. AO4 is worth 12 marks and AO3 is worth 6 marks. The first two bullet points of the question prompt candidates to evaluate the text (AO4) and the third bullet point prompts candidates to compare the texts (AO3).

Candidates may construct their answer in response to the bullet points in combination, and integrate their evaluative and comparative commentary throughout; this is a valid approach which may achieve the highest levels for AO4 and AO3.

Give credit for critical evaluation of 'how far' the candidate agrees with the statement that **reading brings people together**. Accept all valid evaluations which are supported by appropriate, integrated references to both texts. For example, some candidates may consider one text to be more powerful than the other.

Candidates may compare these points in response to AO3:

- Mrs Auld - more helpful because she directly teaches Douglass
- Kakutani's mother - less helpful because she bans reading at dinner
- Mr Auld – less helpful because he stops his wife from teaching Douglass
- Kakutani's father – indirectly helpful because he builds the playhouse
- The white boys – more helpful because they teach in exchange for bread
- The bullies – less helpful but they do drive Kakutani into the library

Candidates may evaluate these ideas in response to AO4:

Douglass

- Mrs Auld - surprising because she is the slave-owner's wife
- Mr Auld – surprising because banning Douglass makes him want to read
- White boys – surprising because younger and of different skin colour

Kakutani

- Her mother – surprising because dining room table ban encourages wider reading
- Her father – surprising because playhouse not meant to be for reading
- The bullies – surprising unintentionally drive her into library where she can read

Section B**5 Write a letter to a headteacher advising them how to encourage their students to read.**

You should:

- explain why some students do not spend time reading
- describe the benefits of reading for students
- advise the headteacher how to encourage students to read.

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OR

6 Write a speech persuading young people to take part in an activity that brings together people from different backgrounds.

You should:

- describe the activity you want to do
- explain how this activity will bring together people from different backgrounds
- persuade other students to help you organise this activity.

SKILLS:

Mark the response out of 24 marks (AO5) **and** out of 16 marks (AO6) using the two sets of level descriptors below; add the two marks together to award a total mark out of 40. Where the candidate's answer consistently meets the criteria, the higher mark should be awarded.

AO5: Communicate clearly, effectively and imaginatively, selecting and adapting tone, style and register for different forms, purposes and audiences. AO5: Organise information and ideas, using structural and grammatical features to support coherence and cohesion of texts.		AO6: Use a range of vocabulary and sentence structures for clarity, purpose and effect, with accurate spelling and punctuation.	
Level 6 (21–24 marks)	- The form is deliberately adapted to position the reader, showing a sophisticated control of purpose and effect. (AO5) - Tone, style and register are ambitiously selected and deployed to enhance the purpose of the task. (AO5) - There is a skilfully controlled overall structure, with paragraphs and grammatical features used to support coherence and cohesion and achieve a range of effects. (AO5)		
Level 5 (17–20 marks)	- The form is confidently adapted and shows a secure understanding of purpose and audience. (AO5). - There is a sustained use of tone, style and register to fulfil the purpose of the task. (AO5) - There is a controlled overall structure, with paragraphs and grammatical features used to support coherence and cohesion and achieve particular effects. (AO5)		
Level 4 (13–16 marks)	- The form is adapted to show a clear understanding of purpose and audience. (AO5) - Tone, style and register are chosen to match the task. (AO5) - There is a well-managed overall structure, with paragraphs and grammatical features used to support coherence and cohesion, and sometimes for effect. (AO5)	Level 4 (13–16 marks)	- An ambitious range of sentence structures is used to shape meaning and create impact. - Accurate punctuation is used to enhance clarity and achieve particular effects. (AO6) - Vocabulary is precise and subtle, expressing complex ideas with clarity. - Spelling of irregular and ambitious words is accurate, with very occasional lapses. (AO6)

Level 3 (9–12 marks)	- The form is sustained and shows clear awareness of purpose and audience. (AO5) - Tone, style and register is appropriate for the task, with some inconsistencies. (AO5) - There is a clear overall structure, with paragraphs and grammatical features used, mostly securely, to support coherence and cohesion. (AO5)	Level 3 (9–12 marks)	- A wide range of sentence structures is used for deliberate purpose and effect. - Punctuation is consistently accurate and is used to achieve clarity. (AO6) - Vocabulary is sometimes ambitious and used convincingly for purpose and effect. - Spelling, including complex regular words, is accurate; there may be occasional errors with irregular and ambitious words. (AO6)
Level 2 (5–8 marks)	- The form, which is mostly appropriate for purpose and audience, is generally maintained. (AO5) - There is an attempt to use a tone, style and register appropriate to the task. (AO5) - There is some evidence of overall structure, with some use of paragraphs and grammatical features to support coherence and cohesion. (AO5)	Level 2 (5–8 marks)	- A range of sentence structures is used, mostly securely, and sometimes for purpose and effect. - Punctuation is generally accurate with occasional errors. (AO6) - Vocabulary is appropriate and shows some evidence of being selected for deliberate effect. - Spelling is generally accurate with occasional errors with common and more complex words. (AO6)
Level 1 (1–4 marks)	- There is some attempt to use a form appropriate for purpose and audience. (AO5) - There is a limited attempt to use a tone, style and register appropriate for the task. (AO5) - There is some attempt to structure the response, with limited evidence of paragraphs or grammatical features to support coherence and cohesion. (AO5)	Level 1 (1–4 marks)	- Simple sentences are used with some attempt to use more complex structures. - Some punctuation is used but there is a lack of control and consistency. (AO6) - Vocabulary is straightforward and relevant with - Mostly accurate spelling of simple words. (AO6)
0 marks	No response or no response worthy of credit.	0 marks	No response or no response worthy of credit.

Mark Scheme Assessment Objectives (AO) Grid

Question	AO1	AO2	AO3	AO4	AO5	AO6	Total
1a	2	0	0	0	0	0	2
1b	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
1c	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
2	6	0	0	0	0	0	6
3	0	12	0	0	0	0	12
4	0	0	6	12	0	0	18
5/6	0	0	0	0	24	16	40
Totals	10	12	6	12	24	16	80

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