

### Cambridge O Level

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Paper 2 Translation and Reading Comprehension
MARK SCHEME
Maximum Mark: 55

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### **Generic Marking Principles**

These general marking principles must be applied by all examiners when marking candidate answers. They should be applied alongside the specific content of the mark scheme or generic level descriptions for a question. Each question paper and mark scheme will also comply with these marking principles.

#### **GENERIC MARKING PRINCIPLE 1:**

Marks must be awarded in line with:

- the specific content of the mark scheme or the generic level descriptors for the question
- the specific skills defined in the mark scheme or in the generic level descriptors for the question
- the standard of response required by a candidate as exemplified by the standardisation scripts.

### **GENERIC MARKING PRINCIPLE 2:**

Marks awarded are always whole marks (not half marks, or other fractions).

### **GENERIC MARKING PRINCIPLE 3:**

Marks must be awarded **positively**:

- marks are awarded for correct/valid answers, as defined in the mark scheme. However, credit is given for valid answers which go beyond the scope of the syllabus and mark scheme, referring to your Team Leader as appropriate
- marks are awarded when candidates clearly demonstrate what they know and can do
- marks are not deducted for errors
- marks are not deducted for omissions
- answers should only be judged on the quality of spelling, punctuation and grammar when these features are specifically assessed by the question as indicated by the mark scheme. The meaning, however, should be unambiguous.

#### **GENERIC MARKING PRINCIPLE 4:**

Rules must be applied consistently, e.g. in situations where candidates have not followed instructions or in the application of generic level descriptors.

### **GENERIC MARKING PRINCIPLE 5:**

Marks should be awarded using the full range of marks defined in the mark scheme for the question (however; the use of the full mark range may be limited according to the quality of the candidate responses seen).

### **GENERIC MARKING PRINCIPLE 6:**

Marks awarded are based solely on the requirements as defined in the mark scheme. Marks should not be awarded with grade thresholds or grade descriptors in mind.

	Annotations in RM Assessor
SEEN	stamp to annotate blank pages of script to confirm the examiner has seen the page
<b>✓</b>	correct
×	incorrect
λ	omission (e.g. word missing from the sentence)
?	indecipherable / incomprehensible
CON	contradiction
DET	detail
IR	irrelevant
DEV	development
IL	inaccurate language
REP	repetition (of language or content)
BOD	benefit of the doubt (i.e. response not covered by the mark scheme, but the examiner's judgement is that credit should be given)
L	good language
highlighter	

Please remember that schools can request copies of their marked scripts, with annotations and comments on, so please ensure that any annotations / comments that you use are fully justified by the mark scheme.

Wherever possible, please avoid commenting and keep annotations at a minimum.

	General Marking Instructions
Marks	Question 1: Enter a mark out of 10 in the mark input box. Place a tick on the script to indicate each correct marking unit (up to 10 units) according to the mark scheme.
	Question 2: Enter a mark out of 20 in the mark input box. Place a tick on the script to indicate each correct marking unit (up to 20 units) according to the mark scheme.
	<b>Question 3 onwards</b> : Enter a mark for each question in the appropriate mark input box. For answers not covered by the mark scheme, the annotation tool can be used. After marking the whole of the reading comprehension, enter a mark out of <b>5</b> in the mark input box for Language and Spelling.
No	There is a NR (No Response) option in <b>RM Assessor</b> .
response and '0' marks	<ul> <li>Award NR (No Response):</li> <li>If there is nothing written at all in the answer space or</li> <li>If there is only a comment which does not in any way relate to the question being asked (e.g. 'can't do' or 'don't know') or</li> <li>If there is only a mark which isn't an attempt at the question (e.g. a dash, a question mark).</li> <li>For all questions which the candidate has not chosen (see box above for more information).</li> </ul>
	Award 0: If there is any attempt that earns no credit. This could, for example, include the candidate copying all or some of the question, or any working that does not earn any marks, whether crossed out or not.
Batch dates	All scripts must be marked by the date specified.
Crossing out	<ul><li>(a) If a candidate changes his/her mind over an answer and crosses out an attempt, award a mark if the final attempt is correct.</li><li>(b) If a candidate crosses out an answer to a whole question but makes no second attempt at it, mark the crossed-out work.</li></ul>
Marking principles	Please note that it is not possible to list all acceptable alternatives in the mark scheme. You will need to consider all alternative answers and unexpected approaches in candidates' scripts, make a decision on whether they communicate the required elements, in consultation with you team leader if necessary (or with your product manager if you are a single examiner), and award marks accordingly.

Question			Answer		Marks	Guidance
1	Unit	Target Language	English	Unit mark	10	
	1	කාලය යනු ලලාව තිලෙන සම්පත් අතරින් ඉතා අගනාම සම්පතකි	Time is one of the most precious resources in the world	1		
	2	කාලය කිසිලේත්ම නාේති ලනාකළ යුතු ය	Time should never be wasted	1		
	3	ලගවී ගිය කාලය නැවත ලො ගැනීම කල ලනාහැක	Elapsed time cannot be recovered	1		
	4	සැලසුම් කරන ලද කටයුතු සඳහා ඹෙ නියමිත ලේලාවට වැඩ කිරීම ඉතා වැදගත් ලේ	It is very important that you work on time for planned activities	1		
	5	ඹෙ නියමිත ලේලාවට වැඩ ලනාකරන්ලන් නම්	If you don't work on time	1		
	6	ඹෙලේ පමණක් ලනාව අන් අයලේ කාලය ද අපලත් යයි	It wastes not only your time but also other people's time	1		
	7	කණ්ඩායමක් සමඟ වැඩ කරන විට ඔෙ විනාඩියක් පුමාද වුවලහාත්	If you are a minute late when working with a group	1		

Question		,	Marks	Guidance		
1	Unit	Target Language	English	Unit mark		
	8	ඔලේ කණ්ඩායලම් අලනක් සාමාජිකයන්ලේ විනාඩිය ෙැගින් අපලත් යනු ඇත	a minute of each of your team members will be wasted	1		
	9	එවිට අපලත් ගිය සම්ුර්ණ කාලය වන්ලන් ඒ සියලු අපලත් ගිය කාලයන්ි එකතුවයි.	Then the total time wasted is the sum of all those wasted times	1		
	10	කාලලයන් නිසි පුලයජනන ගනිමින් එය නිසි පරිදි කළමනාකරණය කරගැනීම අතිශයින්ම වැදගත්ය	It is extremely important to make proper use of time and manage it properly	1		

Question		,	Answer		Marks	Guidance
2	Unit	English	Target Language	Unit mark	20	
	1	Children love flying kites in the sky	ළමයින් අහලේ සරුංගල් යැවීමට කැමතියි	1		
	2	On sunny days, flying kites can be seen at sea sides	ඡේව සිත දිනවලදී, මුහුදු ලවරලේ /මුහුදු අසල / පැතිවල සරුංගල් යැවීම දැකිය හැකිය	1		
	3	Also there are kite-sellers who sell kites	ඒ වලේම සරුංගල් විකුණන අය / සරුංගල් ලවළඳුන් දැකිය හැක / සිටියි	1		
	4	Most of these kites are made of plastic	ලමම සරුංගල් ලොලහාමයක් ප්ලාේටික් වලින් සාදා ඇත	1		
	5	In Sri Lanka children make kites using coconut sticks and tissue papers	ලුංකාලේ ළමයි ලපාල් ඉරටු සහ ටිෂූ කඩදාසි/ සේ ලකාළ / සේ කඩදාසි ලයාදාලගන සරුංගල් හදනවා	1		
	6	These kites are much lighter and colourful	ලමම සරුංගල් වඩා සැහැල්ලු හා වර්ණවත් ලේ/ පාට පාටින් යුතු ලේ	1		

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2	Unit	English	Target Language	Unit mark		
	7	Also, they are environmentally friendly	එලේම, ඒවා පරිසර ිතකාමී ය/ පරිසරයට ලහාදය	1		
	8	You do not have to worry about disposing them after use	භාවිතලයන් පසු ඒවා ෙැහැර කිරීම/ ඉවත දැමීම ගැන කරදර විය යුතු නැත	1		
	9	Making kites increases creativity in children	සරුංගල් සෑදීම දරවන්ලේ නිර්මාණශීලීත්වය වැඩි කරයි	1		
	10	They design their own kites in different shapes and different colours	ඔවුන් විවිධ හැඩලයන් / හැඩයන්ලගන් සහ විවිධ වර්ණවලින් / පාටවලින් ඔවුන්ලේම සරුංගල් නිර්මාණය කරයි	1		
	11	Flying kites has gone down with the usage of video games and mobile telephones	වීඩිලයජ කීඩා සහ නුංගම දුරකථන භාවිතයත් සමඟ සරුංගල් යැවීම අඩු වී ඇත	1		
	12	This has also increased a health risk in children	ලම් නිසා දරවන්ලේ ලසෞඛා අවදානමද / ලසෞඛා පුශ්න වැඩි වී ඇත	1		

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2	Unit	English	Target Language	Unit mark		
	13	Most of them prefer to play indoors	ඔවුන්ලගන් ලොලහඡ ලදලනක් ගෘහේථව / නිලවේ තුල ලසල්ලම් කිරීමට කැමැත්තක් දක්වයි	1		
	14	Flying kites is a physical activity	සරුංගල් යැවීම / පියාසර කරවීම ශාරීරික කියාකාරකමකි	1		
	15	It helps children to be active	එය දරවන්ට කිුයාශීලී වීමට / කිුයාකාරීව තැබීමට උපකාරී ලේ	1		
	16	Lack of physical activities has caused obesity among children	ශාරීරික කිුයාකාරකම් ලනාමැතිකම ළමුන් අතර තරොරකමට / තරොර වීමට / ේුලතාවයට /මහත්වීමට ලේතු වී ඇත	1		
	17	Healthy children will lead to a healthier nation	නිලරජගී දරවන් නිලරජගී නාතියක් ඇතිවීමට ලේතුලේ / මුලුරයි /මග පාදයි	1		

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uestion			Answer		Marks	Guidance
2	Unit	English	Target Language	Unit mark		
	18	A healthier society will lead a country to success	ලසෞඛා සම්පන්න සමානයක් රටක් සාර්ථකත්වය කරා ලගන යනු ඇත	1		
	19	The adults need to teach children how to make kites	සරුංගල් හදන හ ටි ව ඩ්ටියන් විසින් දරවන්ට කියා දිය යුතුයි	1		
	20	They should encourage children to take part in outdoor activities to be healthy	ලසෞඛා සම්පන්නව සිටීම සදහා එළිමහන් කුියාකාරකම්වලට සහභාගී වීමට ඔවුන් දරවන් දිරිමත් කළ යුතුය	1		

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3	අලිඇතුන් වාසය සඳහා අවශය ලේශගුණික තත්වයන් ාව සෑම රටකම නාම ත	1	
4	(1) රඹුක්කන (2) පින්නව	2	One mark for each word
5	වසර එක්දහේ නවසිය හ ත්තෑ පලේදී	1	
6	(1) තනිව ජීවත්විය නාහ කි සහ (2) අොාධයන්ට ක්ූ අලීන් රැකෙ ාග නීම සදහා	2	One mark for each
7	මහඔය	1	
8	අක්කර විසිපහක්	2	Two marks for full answer
9	සියයකට ආසන්න පුමාණයක්	1	
10	සුංචාරකයින් අලිඇතුන් න රඹීමට පුිය කිරීම	1	
11	(1) අලිඇතුන් ඉතා ඟින් ද කෙ ා ග නී ම් පහසුව මන්ම (2) අලීන් ලේ හ සිරීම් නිරීක්ෂණය කිරීමට බීම	2	One mark for each
12	දවසට දවරක් අලීන් ගඟ වත දිය නෑම සඳහා ගනයනු ෙන දර්ශනය	2	The full answer attracts 2 marks, and a partial answer gets 1
13	මිනිේ නනාවාස	2	Two marks for full answer
14	අලීන් සුංඛ්යාව අඩු වමින් යයි	1	
15	වද වීමට ක්ූ සතුන් පු දදයක් සට අනාගතලේ අලීන් නම් නාකිරීමට කටයුතු කිරීම	2	The full answer attracts 2 marks, and a partial answer gets 1

	Language and Spelling
5 (Excellent)	<ul> <li>Clear, carefully chosen language with complex syntax where appropriate.</li> <li>Varied, precise vocabulary.</li> <li>Relevant material from the text is rephrased in a sophisticated manner.</li> <li>Hardly any or no technical errors.</li> </ul>
4 (Good)	<ul> <li>Clear, appropriate language.</li> <li>Appropriate vocabulary.</li> <li>Relevant material from the text is rephrased well.</li> <li>Few technical errors.</li> </ul>
3 (Adequate)	<ul> <li>Language generally appropriate, but unsophisticated and generally simply syntax.</li> <li>Adequate vocabulary.</li> <li>Evidence of copying word for word from text.</li> <li>Some technical errors.</li> </ul>
2 (Weak)	<ul> <li>Unsophisticated language, not always appropriate. Very simply syntax with some clumsiness.</li> <li>Thin vocabulary.</li> <li>General reliance on copying from text.</li> <li>A number of technical errors.</li> </ul>
1 (Poor)	<ul> <li>Thin, inappropriate use of language.</li> <li>Confused and obscure.</li> <li>Indiscriminate copying from the text may occur.</li> <li>Many errors.</li> </ul>
0	Nothing worthy of credit.