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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 descriptors 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.

	Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance
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Note

The mark scheme cannot cover all points that candidates may make for all of the questions. In some cases candidates may think of very strong answers which the mark scheme has not predicted. These answers should be credited according to their quality. If examiners are in any doubt about an answer they should contact their Team Leader or Principal Examiner. For answers marked by levels of response:

- (a) Mark grids describe the top of each level.
- (b) **To determine the level** start at the highest level and work down until you reach the level that matches the answer.
- (c) **To determine the mark within the level**, consider the following:

Descriptor	Award mark			
Consistently meets the criteria for this level	At top of level			
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)			
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)			
On the borderline of this level and the one below	At bottom of level			

AO1 Research, analysis and evaluation	analyse arguments to understand how they are structured and on what they are based analyse perspectives and understand the different claims, reasons, arguments, views and evidence they contain synthesise relevant and credible research/text in support of judgements about arguments and perspectives critically evaluate the strengths, weaknesses and implications of reasoning in arguments and overall perspectives critically evaluate the nature of different arguments and perspectives
	critically evaluate the nature of different arguments and perspectives use research/text to support judgements about arguments and perspectives

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1(a)	Identify two ways in which educated women can bring about change in society as argued by the author of Document 1. Credit 1 mark each for correct versions of the following: They can become more involved in the economy. They can become more involved in political process. Credit 0 marks for breaking the cycle of oppression, abuse or poverty of women (as these are the results of education in general). for being more aware of their other rights (as this is a motive to change society). for lead to a better world today and in future generations (as this is the result of change).	2· 1	Do not credit answers: taken from the candidate's own knowledge. with no creditworthy material.

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1(b)	Identify and explain <u>two</u> barriers by the author of Document 1. Credit 1 mark each for up to two Credit 1 mark each for up to two Accept correct versions of the folle Identification girls' education not valued Males are responsible for taking decisions in women's lives co-education not accepted Also accept: increased population	correct explanations. owing: Explanation	2. (1+1)	 Credit answers: that do not separate identification from explanation e.g. 'Increased population is a barrier ✓ because where there are more children in a family with little income, they prefer to educate the boys.√' Do not credit answers: taken from the candidate's own knowledge. for the explanation which is directly copied from the text without any paraphrasing or use of candidate's own words with no creditworthy material.

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2	 Assess the strengths and weaknesses of the author's argument in Document 1 about women being deprived of education in Pakistan. Use the levels-based marking grid opposite to credit marks. No set answer is expected and examiners should be flexible in their approach. Candidates may include some of the following: Strengths The following strengths of the reasoning/evidence all strengthen the support for the author's argument about women being deprived of education in Pakistan: use of an expert source – As an UN agency UNESCO should have access to accurate information about global education and Pakistan's education statistics as part of this. personal insight – As a female writing in Lahore, the author probably has insight into the barriers to girls' education and rights, to inform her judgements. clear structure of argument – She gives several conclusions about education being 'the only tool' and girls facing the 'highest barriers to education'. believable evidence – It is plausible that 60% of those never going to school are girls, because of the religious beliefs and cultural traditions mentioned. use of relevant examples – The author gives clear, relevant examples of life skills taught to girls in schools and gives a relevant example of Multan where plans of female education have not been put into practice. clear image – The author clearly illustrates the size of the problem by comparing it to the size of the population in Lahore, a large city in Pakistan. motive to be accurate – The author writes in Pakistan Today which is open to criticism by the public if evidence is misleading. So she has a motive to provide accurate, balanced evidence to preserve the professionalism of the paper.	10	Use the levels-based marking grid below and the indicative content in the left- hand column to credit marks. For each bullet give a level (that can include split levels e.g. L2/L1) to inform the overall level and mark within the available range. These should be placed at the end of the answer with the overall level in the right-hand margin. (Use X for Level 0) Note: Level 3 involves the impact of the evidence upon the claim – a key characteristic There is no requirement to use technical terms to access any level and candidates will NOT be rewarded for their use unless they link them directly to the assessments made. Level 3 8–10 marks Both strengths and weaknesses are assessed. Assessment of argument and evidence is sustained and a judgement is reached. Assessment explicitly includes the impact of specific evidence upon the claims made. Communication is highly effective – explanation and reasoning accurate and clearly expressed	

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2	 Allow and credit several practical solutions – The author gives three realistic measures to provide girls' education involving NGOs, awareness and annual research. (This is part of the solution leading on from women being deprived of education). Weaknesses The following weaknesses of the reasoning/evidence all weaken the support for the author's argument about women being deprived of education in Pakistan: lack of balance – The author presents the failings of women's education in Pakistan, without any recognition of arguments that might counter this. lack of discussion of other solutions to women's rights – The author presents education as <i>the only tool</i>' to break the cycle, which ignores the other possible options that might be available. limited evidence – UNESCO is the only named source used which limits the authority of her claims which appear to be her opinions. bias – The author presents women's skills and courses in a negative light, when they may be seen as prized life and business skills. emotional language – The author – as a female writing in Pakistan she may have a vested interest to exaggerate the negatives of females' education in order to draw attention to it. lack of author's expertise – As a reporter the author may lack the specialist knowledge to make informed judgement about the best solutions to women's rights and the role of education. Allow and credit vague, unsupported conclusion – The author assumes that the other pioneering paths have succeeded. She does not give an indication of what these were and puts Pakistan within the category of pioneers of educational reforms without supporting why this should be so in her argument. 		 Level 2 4–7 marks Answers focus more on either the strengths or weaknesses, although both are present/identified. Assessment identifies strength or weakness of argument with little explanation. Assessment of argument is relevant but generalised, not always linked to specific evidence or specific claims. Communication is accurate – explanation and reasoning is limited, but clearly expressed Level 1 1–3 marks Answers show little or no assessment of argument/s. Assessment if any is simplistic. Evidence may be identified and weakness may be named. Communication is limited – response may be cursory or descriptive. Credit 0 marks where there is no creditable material. (Use X in the level summary)

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3	 To what extent is the author's solution to girls' rights in Document 2 more convincing than that offered by the author in Document 1? No set answer is expected and examiners should be flexible in their approach. Candidates may include some of the following: More Convincing possible greater expertise – Bansal (Doc 2) as a senior gender equality advisor, probably has more expertise to make informed solutions about girls' rights than Khalid (Doc1) who is a journalist providing mostly personal opinion. wider perspective – Bansal (Doc 2) presents a wider global solution with girls' views from Equador, Nicaragua, Pakistan, Zimbabwe, Canada about the problems and solutions, whereas Khalid (Doc1) focuses on a national solution for Pakistan. wider perspective – Bansal (Doc 2) looks at the perspectives of changing local, national and global attitudes through peer and community support, whereas Khalid (Doc1) narrowly focuses upon education reforms as being <i>'the only tool'</i> to change society's attitudes to females' rights. more balanced argument – Bansal (Doc 2) presents the solutions to negative issues within the positive context of past successes, progress already made and the national and global efforts already made in girls' rights. However, Khalid (Doc 1) presents the solution giving only the context of the negative background. uses more personal experience – Bansal (Doc 2) uses the views of girls and young women to give personal insights into the solutions, whereas Khalid (Doc 1) simply gives her own opinion with a solution of education reforms. uses more sourced evidence – Bansal (Doc 2) uses views from around the globe, Equador, Nicaragua, Pakistan, Zimbabwe and Canada to reach solutions, whereas Khalid (Doc 1) uses unsourced claims and her own opinion. 	14	Use the levels-based marking grid below and the indicative content in the left- hand column to credit marks. For each bullet give a level (that can include split levels e.g. L2/L1) to inform the overall level and mark within the available range. These should be placed at the end of the answer with the overall level in the right-hand margin. (Use X for Level 0) There is no requirement to use technical terms to access any level and candidates will NOT be rewarded for their use unless they link them directly to the assessments made. Level 3 10–14 marks The judgement is sustained and reasoned. Alternative perspectives have sustained assessment. Critical evaluation is of key issues raised in the passages and has explicit reference. Explanation and reasoning is highly effective, accurate and clearly expressed. Communication is highly effective – clear evidence of a structured cogent argument with conclusions explicitly stated and directly linked to the assessment.

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3	 Less convincing more bias in evidence – Bansal (Doc 2) provides opinions about the problem and solutions from a survey of questions which focused upon negative issues in 'barriers to girls' freedoms', whereas Khalid (Doc 1) reports UNESCO's more factual information. stronger motive – Bansal (Doc 2) may have a stronger motive to exaggerate or be selective in what she reports to make a strong case that girls are dissatisfied with their rights, because she works for an agency which looks for solutions, working to improve the rights of children. However, Khalid (Doc 1) is a journalist so can simply report the situation and pose a solution. Neither more or less convincing Same Solutions posed – Both seek solutions to the lack of girls' rights. Structured argument – Both have reasons which in part lead to the conclusion. Unsupported elements – Both have conclusions that pose solutions which introduce elements not mentioned previously. Bansal (Doc 2) introduces the International day of the Girl to elicit support, and Khalid (Doc 1) introduces the idea of pioneers of education reforms. Different Different perspectives – Bansal (Doc 2) seeks a global solution for girls' rights, whereas Khalid (Doc 1) seeks a solution for the girls in Pakistan. Different perspectives – Bansal (Doc 2) focuses on the need to change attitudes by laws, policies, community and peer support, whereas Khalid (Doc 1) focuses on education to do this. 		 Level 2 5–9 marks Judgement is reasoned. One perspective may be focused upon for assessment. Evaluation is present but may not relate to key issues. Explanation and reasoning is generally accurate. Communication is accurate – some evidence of a structured discussion although conclusions may not be explicitly stated, nor link directly to the assessment. Level 1 1–4marks Judgement, if present, is unsupported or superficial. Alternative perspectives have little or no assessment. Evaluation, if any, is simplistic/undeveloped. Answers may describe a few points comparing the two documents. Relevant evidence or reasons may be identified. Communication is limited. Response may be cursory. Credit 0 marks where no creditable material. (Show as X on the levels summary)

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3	Judgement Candidates should critically assess perspectives and the use of examples and evidence in order to reach a judgement.			
	In doing this they might conclude that Bansal's argument (Doc 2) is stronger because of greater balance and more expert sources and a wider perspective. Alternatively, they might conclude that overall, despite Khalid's (Doc 1) narrower focus, her argument is more convincing because of her relative neutrality.			
	Credit should be given to any alternative judgement on the basis of the assessment and reasoning.			