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Paper 2 Reading MARK SCHEME Maximum Mark: 36

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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.

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Section 1 Exercise 1

Question	Answer	Marks
1	A	1
2	C	1
3	В	1
4	C	1
5	В	1

Section 1 Exercise 2

Question	Answer	Marks
6	В	1
7	A	1
8	E	1
9	C	1

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Section 1 Exercise 3

Question	Answer	Marks
10	A	1
11	C	1
12	D	1

Section 2 Exercise 1

Question	Answer	Marks
13	郊区	1
14	走路	1
15	武术	1
16	便宜	1

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Section 2 Exercise 2

- In this exercise, reward the candidate for being able to locate the answer in the passage.
- Ignore extra material (whether Chinese is accurate or inaccurate) unless the Mark Scheme specifies otherwise
- Accept lifting unless it is specifically refused in the Mark Scheme.
- READ SECTION 3: GENERAL MARKING PRINCIPLES

Question	Answer	Guidance	Marks
17	新年	Reject 去了一个新年	1
18	认识的人不多	Reject 上认识的人不多	1
19	太甜	Reject Long lifting: 我不怎么喜欢蛋糕,太甜了,但特别 爱吃春卷,所以拿了很多。	1
20	苦苦的		1
21	肚子疼	Reject 肚了疼 Long lifting: 吃完以后,我开始肚子疼。大家马上送我去 看医生。	1
22	坐出租车		1
23 (i)	吃药		1
23(ii)	(多)休息	Reject (多)体息	1

Note: For questions with 2 interchangeable answers: 2 correct answers on line 1, line 2 blank = 2; 2 correct answers on line 1, line 2 wrong = 1 (or vice versa)

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Section 3 Exercise 1

Question	Answer	Marks
24	C	1
25	В	1
26	A	1
27	A	1

Section 3 Exercise 2

Look for signs of genuine comprehension. Usually, candidates who lift **indiscriminately** fail to demonstrate comprehension and will not score the mark. However, **careful** lifting of the details required to answer the question does demonstrate comprehension and should be rewarded. This Detailed Mark Scheme provides specific guidance but in cases not covered, see General Marking Principles, Section 3.10

In this section, take into account the whole of the candidate's answer. We are still applying the sound-alike rule.

READ SECTION 3: GENERAL MARKING PRINCIPLES

FOR ANSWERS NOT COVERED BY MARK SCHEME, ANNOTATION TOOL MAY BE USED, e.g. INV or BOD

REFUSE DIRECT SPEECH HOWEVER IT IS PRESENTED.

Question	Answer	Guidance	Marks
28	旅游	Reject 学开车	1
29	学开车/练习开车	Reject 开车	1
30	公共交通不方便		1
31	上个月	Reject 几个月前	1
32	换三次公共汽车/坐公共汽车		1
33(i)	上下班不会像以前那么累	Reject 不会像以前那么累/上下班不会累	1
33(ii)	周末也可以开车出去玩	Reject 可以开车出去玩	1
34	不怕堵车		1

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