

## GCSE French

Unit 2 Reading Higher Mark scheme

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Version 1: Final Mark Scheme

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## **Higher Tier**

## **READING TESTS**

Notes on the Marking Scheme

Non-verbal Answers
Follow the mark scheme as set out.

## Verbal Answers

- 1. The basic principle of assessment is that candidates should gain credit for what they know, understand and can do. The following guidance should be borne in mind when marking.
  - (a) Credit should be given for all answers which convey the key idea required intelligibly and without ambiguity. A separate assessment of spelling, punctuation and grammar is not required on these papers because of the nature of the answers. However, these aspects are an integral part of assessing communication and marks cannot be awarded where errors in spelling, punctuation or grammar lead to a failure to communicate the required information **without ambiguity**.
  - (b) Where a candidate has given alternatives or additional information in an answer, the following criteria should be applied:
    - if the alternative/addition does not contradict the key idea or make it ambiguous, **accept**:
    - if the alternative/addition contradicts the key idea or makes it ambiguous,
       reject.
  - (c) Where numbered lines are given within a question/section of a question, credit should be given for correct answers, no matter which line they appear on.
  - (d) Where a question has more than one **section**, a candidate may include as part of the answer to one section the information required to answer another section. For instance, the information required to answer section (b) might be given as part of the answer to section (a). In such cases, credit should be given for having answered section (b), provided that no incorrect answer has been given for that section in the correct place.
  - (e) Where a question or part of a question carries more than one mark, candidates are given credit for all the correct answers they give, even if they have given incorrect answers as well, except where any of the latter contradicts a correct answer that they have given.
- 2. ...../.... means that these are acceptable alternative answers. (.....) means that this information is not needed for full marks.
- 3. In questions where candidates are asked to name, for example, three types of vegetable sold in the market, only the first three items they write down should be considered.
- 4. Accept
  - T/F/?
  - 4 /X/?
  - a mix and match approach using the above, where the response is clear and unambiguous (eg. T and 4 are both used by the candidate).

- 5. In multiple choice questions where candidates must choose <u>one</u> letter or number, they should automatically get no mark awarded if they give more than one. If the rubric instructs them to write one letter or number in the box and they do so, but write a second letter or number outside the box too, then the answer in the box should be considered.
- 6. No mark scheme can cover all possible answers. When in doubt:
  - look for the key idea, where this is appropriate.
  - **NFP** = no further penalty **t.c.** = tout court
- 7. Where a candidate has crossed out an answer and what was underneath remains legible then it should be assessed. Where part of an answer is crossed out then only what remains should be considered.
- 8. Where a candidate spells the answer in such a way that it is a word in the target language, no credit can be awarded.
- 9. If a candidate offers two different responses in English or in the target language eg dog (cat) or dog (chat) where the answer is dog, no credit can be awarded.

Q	Key idea	Accept	Mark	Reject/Notes
1 (a)	А		1	
Q	Key idea	Accept	Mark	Reject/Notes
1 (b)	F		1	
Q	Key idea	Accept	Mark	Reject/Notes
1 (c)	D		1	
Q	Key idea	Accept	Mark	Reject/Notes
1 (d)	С		1	
Q	Key idea	Accept	Mark	Reject/Notes
2 (a)	А		1	
Q	Key idea	Accept	Mark	Reject/Notes
2 (b)	С		1	
Q	Key idea	Accept	Mark	Reject/Notes
2 (c)	В		1	
Q	Key idea	Accept	Mark	Reject/Notes
2 (d)	E		1	

Q	Key idea	Accept	Mark	Reject/Notes
3 (a)	Р		1	
	Man idea	Account	Monte	Dais st/Notes
Q	Key idea	Accept	Mark	Reject/Notes
3 (b)	P/N	any acceptable variations	1	
Q	Key idea	Accept	Mark	Reject/Notes
3 (c)	N		1	
Q	Key idea	Accept	Mark	Reject/Notes
3 (d)	N		1	
Q	Key idea	Accept	Mark	Reject/Notes
4 (a)	Α		1	
Q	Key idea	Accept	Mark	Reject/Notes
4 (b)	Α		1	
Q	Key idea	Accept	Mark	Reject/Notes
4 (c)	L		1	
Q	Key idea	Accept	Mark	Reject/Notes
4 (d)	L+A	any acceptable variations	1	
Q	Key idea	Accept	Mark	Reject/Notes
4 (e)	L+A	any acceptable variations	1	

Q	Key idea	Accept	Mark	Reject/Notes
5 (a)	Positive: likes being frightened	Scary / frightening  It makes you scared / fun to be scared / likes the scary part	1	Reject: Stupid <b>tc</b> likes the thrill / shock
	Negative: always the same thing / plot / story	It's predictable / they're all similar	1	Reject: Ref to choice (chose)

Q	Key idea	Accept	Mark	Reject/Notes
5 (b)	Positive: happy / good / nice end(ings)	The ending is uplifting It all turns out right / well / perfect	1	Reject: (I like it when) everyone is happy (no ref to ending)
	Negative: unrealistic / not real	nothing like / not true to real life	1	Reject: Not true <b>tc</b> Note: Ignore ref to incorrect person

Q	Key idea	Accept	Mark	Reject/Notes
5 (c)	Positive: helps to / gives a chance to learn / understand a (new / different) language	Helps to learn / understand English Helps to develop language skills A way of learning a new language	1	Reject: Learn a new language <b>tc</b>
	Negative: no(t enough) time to read subtitles / translations / captions	difficult to read / follow subtitles spend time reading subtitles	1	Reject: (Having to read) subtitles Note: must refer to subtitles subtitles tc

Q	Key idea	Accept	Mark	Reject/Notes
6 (a)	Α		1	
Q	Key idea	Accept	Mark	Reject/Notes
6 (b)	С		1	
Q	Key idea	Accept	Mark	Reject/Notes
6 (c)	А		1	
Q	Key idea	Accept	Mark	Reject/Notes
6 (d)	В		1	
	Key idea	Accept	Mark	Reject/Notes
7 (a)	F	X	1	
Q	Key idea	Accept	Mark	Reject/Notes
7 (b)	Т	✓	1	
Q	Key idea	Accept	Mark	Reject/Notes
7 (c)	?		1	
Q	Key idea	Accept	Mark	Reject/Notes
7 (d)	F	X	1	
Q	Key idea	Accept	Mark	Reject/Notes
7 (e)	Т	✓	1	

Q	Key idea	Accept	Mark	Reject/Notes
7 (f)	F	X	1	

Q	Key idea	Accept	Mark	Reject/Notes
7 (g)	?		1	

Q	Key idea	Accept	Mark	Reject/Notes
8 (a)	С		1	

Q	Key idea	Accept	Mark	Reject/Notes
8 (b)	А		1	

Q	Key idea	Accept	Mark	Reject/Notes
8 (c)	Н		1	

Q	Key idea	Accept	Mark	Reject/Notes
8 (d)	G		1	

Q	Key idea	Accept	Mark	Reject/Notes
8 (e)	E		1	

Q	Key idea	Accept	Mark	Reject/Notes
9 (a)	People don't / no longer recognise her / she is not / no longer in the public eye She no longer has / doesn't have to talk to people she doesn't know	She can go out /shopping without having to talk to people <b>she doesn't know</b> / without being bothered / recognised  She now has a normal life / can get on with her life	1	Reject: Her public has forgotten her She doesn't talk to people She can be herself Ref to courses / lessons

Q	Key idea	Accept	Mark	Reject/Notes
9 (b)	Her (best) friend only got to know what her husband was like after two years of marriage / didn't know what her husband was like before / when she married him.	Her (best) friend's <u>bad</u> experience Her (best) friend's marriage hasn't turned out well	1	Reject: (because of) her (best) friend's marriage (too vague) Ref to marriage being over / divorced / they split up Note: Accept behaviour for character

Q	Key idea	Accept	Mark	Reject/Notes
9 (c)	It will be like / as good as her (older) <b>sister</b> 's (marriage) / she will be as happy as her (older) sister.	She will have a loving family / husband and children / she will be loved and have children.	1	Reject: she will have a happy marriage (requires amplification) ref to wrong person e.g. younger sister / friend / twin sister (even if Caroline mentioned)

Q	Key idea	Accept	Mark	Reject/Notes
9 (d)	She couldn't trust people to keep their promises / people don't / didn't keep their promises.	Not to believe everything that is promised	1	Reject: Ref to friends & family
	People were attracted to her because she was a celebrity / she wasn't appreciated for who she was.		1	Reject: People only associating her with her success

Q	Key idea	Accept	Mark	Reject/Notes
9 (e	He didn't have to face / experience the problems of being famous / she had	He avoided (the downside of) fame	1	Reject: He got to carry on with his normal life

**Total 45 marks**