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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
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- 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
<p>General Note: In all cases reasonable alternative answers which are not specifically mentioned in the marking scheme will be accepted, and either some of the marks or all of the marks for that question will be awarded. Candidates may use upper or lower case initial letters for transliterating Sanskrit proper nouns. By 'construal' is meant understanding the overall meaning of the words as a sentence and conveying this in the English translation.</p>			
1	Comprehension of a Sanskrit passage not in sandhi.		Answers to be given in English except for 1(g).
1(a)	beautiful [1] flowers [1]	2	Accept 'other [1] flowers [1]'.
1(b)	a forest [1]	1	
1(c)	'He [1] met [1] with an old [1] monkey [1]'. [1 mark construal]	5	
1(d)	'to throw [1] him [1] in the air [1]'	3	
1(e)	brother [1]	1	
1(f)	his great [1] form [1]	2	Accept 'his [1] form [1]' or 'a great [1] form [1]'.
1(g)	<p>अहं तव मोदगे वायुपत्रो नामेति कपिर्वदत् । तदा वायुपत्रं आत्मनो महद्वपं भीममदर्शयत् ।</p> <p>[1 mark for each sandhi as shown with underlinings, totalling 9 marks. 1 mark awarded for avoidance of unnecessary application of sandhi and correct application of the conventions of when to break the top line, the mark not being awarded if any errors are made in these respects.]</p>	10	
1(h)	'Having found [1] flowers [1] he brought [1] them [1] to Draupadī [1]'. [1 mark construal]	6	

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2	Translation of Sanskrit into English.		Answers to be given in English.												
2(a)	<p>A blind vulture (i) lived in a certain (ii) tree. Other birds (iii) gave him (iv) food. (v) Therefore the vulture (vi) protected the other birds. However (vii) once a hungry (viii) cat came (ix) there. All the birds were (x) afraid.</p> <p><i>Awarding marks for 2(b) and 2(c). Marks for each section should be awarded as follows, with due regard for accuracy and meaning:</i></p> <table border="1"> <tr> <td>5</td><td>Accurate translation with one slight error allowed</td></tr> <tr> <td>4</td><td>Mostly correct</td></tr> <tr> <td>3</td><td>More than half right</td></tr> <tr> <td>2</td><td>Less than half right</td></tr> <tr> <td>1</td><td>Little recognisable relation to the Sanskrit</td></tr> <tr> <td>0</td><td>No creditworthy material</td></tr> </table>	5	Accurate translation with one slight error allowed	4	Mostly correct	3	More than half right	2	Less than half right	1	Little recognisable relation to the Sanskrit	0	No creditworthy material	10	
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2(b)(i)	'The birds cried out. Having heard that the vulture asked 'Who is that coming?' Having seen the vulture the cat thought 'I shall be killed.'	5													
2(b)(ii)	The vulture said 'Why have you come?' The cat replied 'I stay on the bank of this river bathing daily, living a holy life.'	5													
2(c)(i)	The birds say that you are devoted to righteousness. I have come here to hear righteousness from you.	5													
2(c)(ii)	But you, a knower of the scriptures and knower of righteousness want to kill me.'	5													

Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance
3	Translation of English sentences into Sanskrit. <i>[1 mark for each Sanskrit word. 1 mark will be given for correct word order in each sentence. Total 15 marks.]</i>		Answers in Sanskrit using devanāgarī script.
3(a)	शिष्याः वालकम्प गृहात् अवरन् ।	5	
3(b)	अधूना अश्वः नगरम् आगमिष्यति ।	5	
3(c)	प्रवलम् नृपम् दृष्ट अनमत् ।	5	

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4	Comprehension of a Sanskrit passage in sandhi.		Answers to be given in English.
4(a)	in a forest [1]	1	
4(b)	an elephant [1]	1	
4(c)	The lion [1] said [1] to his servants [1] ‘Bring [1] food [1].’ <i>[1 mark construal]</i>	6	
4(d)	a crow [1]	1	
4(e)	The crow’s [1] body [1] was small [1].	3	Accept ‘Your [1] body [1] is small [1].’
4(f)(i)	They killed [1] him and ate [1] him.	2	
4(f)(ii)	They did it straight away. [1]	1	