Criterion B – Comprehending Written and Visual Text -- Mark Scheme

Questions:

1. Based on the written text, what is the importance of sports in school? Strand i 2 points

2 points for 2 reasons, 1 point for 1 reason

Answers from the text:

- They help in fostering the much-needed team spirit among students.
- They help in inculcating a sportsman spirit in them and serve as an effective way of bringing together, children from diverse cultural backgrounds.

Other possible answers: 1 point for 2 reasons, 0.5 point for 1 reason

2. Based on the **written text**, why is it very important to incorporate (包含,体现) some leisure or recreational activities in the school's weekly schedule? Strand i 2 points

2 points for 3 reasons, 1 point for 2 reasons, 0.5 point for 1 reason

Answers from the text:

- School education is much more than that. In fact, it is about helping the students learn the important lessons of life.
- It aims at their overall development which includes inculcating good values in them.
- Devoting their entire day to only studies, defeats the purpose of effective school education.

Other possible answers: 1 point for 2 reasons, 0.5 point for 1 reason

3. What does the **visual text** show you? Explain **the images and text** in your own words. Strand i **3 points**

1 point for describing the images

1 point for describing the words in the images.

1 point for showing their understandings in their own words

Answers will vary, but as long as the answer is well supported with information from the text full points will be rewarded.

Possible answer:

I can see there are five images in this text. Image 1 shows us a girl is writing her homework or drawing something. Image 2 displays a disabled boy is playing basketball. Image 3 describes a girl who is reading a book. Image 4 shows a girl who is skating. And the last image shows that a school boy won a champion in a spots competition.

Based on the visual text, I can see three important words: freedom, self-discovery and growth.

4. What type of **written text** is this? Explain and give reasons for your answers. Strand ii2 **points**

1point for the type of the written text.

1 point for providing reasons/supporting details.

Possible answers:

This is an expository text which shows the sports and leisure activity in a logical ways with facts and examples, not including personal opinion.

5. What is the purpose of the written text **AND** the visual text? Please explain your answers based on the **TWO** texts. Strand ii **4 points**

1point for the purpose of the written text.

1 point for the purpose of the visual text.

2 points for providing reasons/supporting details from the two texts. Answers will vary, but as long as the answer is well supported with information from the text full points will be rewarded.

Possible answers:

The written text explains the importance of sports and leisure activities in school education. The visual text demonstrates the relationship among freedom, self-discovery and growth.

6. "These two texts are targeting young audiences." Support or oppose this statement using examples from the texts. Strand ii 3 points

1point for an opinion (support/oppose/I think/In my opinion)

2 points for providing reasons/supporting details from the two texts. Answers will vary, but as long as the answer is well supported with information from the text full points will be rewarded.

7. Do you think school sports need **not** be limited to the school playground? Why? Strand iii 2 **points**

0.5 point for an opinion (agree/disagree)

1.5 points for detailed explanations

Answers will vary, but as long as an opinion is stated, and the answer is well supported with details based on their understanding, full points will be rewarded.

Possible reasons:

- You can organize team games and outdoor sports on picnics and make school trips a fun-filled and learning experience for the students.
- You can arrange camping activities for students or take them on a mountaineering or rock climbing expedition.
- You could have them participate in extreme sports. In this case though, it should be ensured that the required safety measures are taken. Adventure sports involve a risk.

8. According to **the written text**, "Sports and leisure are **the best means** to find hidden (潜在的) talent, cultivate (培养) bright minds and encourage innovation (创新)." Do you agree or disagree? Why? Strand iii **3 point**

1point for an opinion

2points for detailed explanations (1 point for general answers)

Answers will vary, but as long as an opinion is stated, and the answer is well supported with details based on their understanding, full points will be rewarded.

9. As a student, do you think **the written and visual text** could change your attitude about leisure activities? Why do you think so? Strand iii **3 points**

1point for an opinion

2points for detailed explanations (1 point for general answers)

Answers will vary, but as long as an opinion is stated, and the answer is well supported with details based on their understanding, full points will be rewarded.