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## **German Listening and Discursive Writing**

FRIDAY, 05 MAY

11:00 AM — 12:20 PM

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**Total marks — 70**

### **SECTION 1 — LISTENING — 30 marks**

Attempt ALL questions.

You will hear two items in **German**. Before you hear each item, you will have one minute to **study the questions**. You will hear each item twice, with an interval of one minute between playings. You will then have time to answer the questions before hearing the next item. Write your answers clearly, in **English**, in the answer booklet provided. In the answer booklet you must clearly identify which question you are attempting.

### **SECTION 2 — DISCURSIVE WRITING — 40 marks**

Attempt ONE question.

Write your answer clearly, in **German**, in the answer booklet provided. In the answer booklet you must clearly identify which question you are attempting.

**You may use a German dictionary.**

Use **blue** or **black** ink.

Before leaving the examination room you must give this booklet to the Invigilator; if you do not, you may lose all the marks for this paper.



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## SECTION 1 — LISTENING — 30 marks

Attempt ALL questions

## Item 1

Listen to the following news broadcast about digital technology in schools, then answer, in **English**, the questions below.

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| (a) Digitalisation is rapidly changing our society. What examples show technology makes our lives easier? State any <b>two</b> things. | 2 |
| (b) What has a recent study about technology in German schools shown?  | 1 |
| (c) Digital learning has recently become more important on the political agenda.   |   |
| (i) Why is this?   | 1 |
| (ii) What effect has this had on teachers and pupils? State any <b>one</b> thing.  | 1 |
| (d) (i) What are the advantages of digital learning in school? State any <b>two</b> things.  | 2 |
| (ii) What are the disadvantages? State any <b>two</b> things.  | 2 |
| (e) How much money is the German government investing over the next five years to support digital learning?                            | 1 |

## Item 2

Listen to the discussion between Julia and Christian about school in Germany and then answer, in **English**, the questions below.

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|---|---|
| (a) Why is Julia nervous? State any <b>one</b> thing.   | 1 |
| (b) In what ways did Julia prepare for her exams? State any <b>two</b> things.                                | 2 |
| (c) What does Julia say about the past school year? State any <b>two</b> things.                              | 2 |
| (d) Christian says he always hated school.  |   |
| (i) Why is this? State any <b>three</b> things.   | 3 |
| (ii) What types of things does Christian think you should learn at school? State any <b>two</b> things.       | 2 |
| (e) Why does Julia think school is an important part of society? State any <b>two</b> things.                 | 2 |
| (f) Why does Christian think that exams are not the best way to assess pupils? State any <b>three</b> things. | 3 |
| (g) In what ways does Christian think that the school system can be improved? State any <b>four</b> things.   | 4 |
| (h) What does Julia suggest he does?  | 1 |

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**SECTION 2 — DISCURSIVE WRITING — 40 marks**

**Attempt ONE question**

Write an essay in **German**, of about 250–300 words, discussing **one** of the following statements.

**3. Society**

Klimawandel ist das größte Problem des 21. Jahrhunderts.

**4. Learning**

Englisch und Mathe sind die wichtigsten Fächer auf dem Stundenplan.

**5. Employability**

Teilzeitjobs haben negative Auswirkungen auf das Lernen.

**6. Culture**

Junge Leute schauen lieber Filme zu Hause als ins Kino zu gehen.

**[END OF QUESTION PAPER]**