Solutions and Evaluation Criteria

1 General Knowledge

No:	Correct answer:	Explanation of the scoring:
1.1	c)	1 point for correct selection, 0 points for incorrect selection
1.2	d)	1 point for correct selection, 0 points for incorrect selection
1.3	a)	1 point for correct selection, 0 points for incorrect selection
1.4	d)	1 point for correct selection, 0 points for incorrect selection
1.5	b)	1 point for correct selection, 0 points for incorrect selection
1.6	a)	1 point for correct selection, 0 points for incorrect selection
1.7	c)	1 point for correct selection, 0 points for incorrect selection
1.8	a)	1 point for correct selection, 0 points for incorrect selection
1.9	Rhodesia	2 points for a correct answer, 0 points for an incorrect answer
1.10	Ammonia, NH₃	2 points for a correct answer, 0 points for an incorrect answer

2 Mathematics and Logical Thinking

2.1 Solution: To find out, we can look at the situation in each minute: In the first minute, he climbs 3 meters up (3 meters). Then he rests for a minute and slides down 2 meters (1 meter). In the third minute, he climbs 3 meters up again (4 meters). Then he rests for another minute and slides 2 meters down (2 meters). In the fifth minute, he climbs up another 3 meters (5 meters). Then he rests for a minute and slides 2 meters down (3 meters). In the seventh minute, he climbs another 3 meters (6 meters). Then he rests for a minute and slides 2 meters down (4 meters). In the ninth minute, he climbs up another 3 meters (7 meters). Then he rests for a minute and slides 2 meters down (5 meters). In the eleventh minute, he climbs another 3 meters (8 meters). Then he rests for a minute and slides 2 meters down (6 meters). In the thirteenth minute, he climbs another 3 meters (9 meters). Then he rests for a minute and slides 2 meters down (7 meters). Finally, in the fifteenth minute, he climbs the last 3 meters (10 meters).

So, after **15 minutes** he is at the top of the rope.

Points are awarded depending on whether the solution was explained (2 points) and whether the solution is correct (2 points)

2.2 Solution: To find the fastest time, we need to get the cachers through the tunnel efficiently by having the slowest and fastest cachers go together. First, cacher 1 and 2 go through the tunnel together (2 minutes). Then Cacher 1 brings back the flashlight (1 minute). Next, cachers 3 and 4 go through the tunnel together (6 minutes). Cacher 2 brings back the flashlight (2 minutes). Finally, cacher 1 and 2 go through the tunnel together again (2 minutes). The total time is 2 + 1 + 6 + 2 + 2 = 13 minutes.

So, the fastest time for all cachers to get through the tunnel is 13 minutes.

Points are awarded depending on whether the solution has been explained (4 points) and whether the solution is correct (2 points). There is a more obvious solution that lets the fastest cacher run there and back. You end up with 15 minutes. If this solution is suggested, 2.5 points can be awarded.

3 Everyday Life and Creativity

- **3.1 Solution:** It is based on a story from Berlin where a man created **an artificial traffic jam on Google Maps** even though the roads were clear. The correct answer is anything that mentions the traffic jam in any way **(3 points)**. If a funny and creative alternative answer is given, **1 point** may be awarded.
- **3.2 Solution:** It is about the invention of **QR codes**, this answer can be logically deduced by correctly associating the Go playing field and the game pieces (3 points).
- **3.3 Solution:** The abstract pattern of the **periodic table of elements (PSE)** is shown here and the motif is dedicated to the discovery by the scientist Dmitri Mendeleev **(4 points)**.
- **3.4 Solution:** A diaper on the beach can be very practical **for storing valuables**. The items wrapped in the diaper are protected from theft, as it looks more like a used diaper and does not arouse any interest among thieves **(4 points)**. If a funny and creative alternative answer is given, **2 points** may be awarded.
- **3.5 Solution:** After the cake has been baked and removed from the oven, the protruding piece can be cut off with the object adapted to the round cake tin and **checked for quality and taste** without destroying the round shape of the cake (4 points).

4 Oral Exam

The leader asks the participant to present the solution to **task 2.2**. It does not matter whether the solution presented is correct or not. If the person is unwilling or unable to present anything, **0 points are awarded**. After the time has elapsed, the presentation ends abruptly. Otherwise, the presentation is scored as follows:

Feature of the presentation:	Explanation of the scoring:
Speech rate	0 - 1 points depending on the flow of speech
Gestures and eye contact	0 - 1 points depending on observation
Clarity of speech	0 - 2 points depending on the observation (accents excluded!)
Reasoning	0 - 3 points depending on the structure and clarity of the argumentation
Quick thinking	0 - 3 points depending on observation and reaction

The results are to be entered manually in a separate Excel sheet after evaluation.