Belle Vue Girls School

Overview of assessment

* You will sit a writing test in May or June
* Students will be expected to demonstrate an ability to use the language for different purposes and in different settings, although these can relate to the same theme. The examination features two tasks.

**Section 1:** Short writing (30-70 words). In this section you will have a choice of 4 questions. You choose and answer ONE question only.

**Section 2:** Long writing (120 -150 words). In this section you will have a choice of 4 questions. You choose and answer ONE question only.

* Time: One hour.

Mark scheme and success criteria: Section 1

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**Communication and content**

- Very detailed and fully relevant response to the stimulus.
- No ambiguity.
- Clear ability to narrate, describe, express opinion and expand.
- Excellent linking of the piece into a whole.
- Coherent and pleasant to read.
- Detailed response to the stimulus but there may be minor omissions.
- Clear and coherent, with only occasional lapses.
- Reasonable attempt to link the piece into a whole.
- Evidence of description, opinion and expansion.
- Pedestrian or alternatively somewhat over ambitious.
- Most of the task is completed and relevant information is conveyed, although there may be some omissions and/or irrelevancies.
- Comprehensible overall, with some lapses.
- Evidence of ability to go beyond minimal response.
- Begins to expand ideas and express opinions.
- Some attempt to link piece into a whole.
- Main points conveyed, but may be major omissions and/or irrelevancies.
- Some ambiguity.
- Short responses, with no descriptions and minimal opinions.
- Sentences mostly written in isolation.
- Not easy to read.
- Little relevant information is conveyed.
- Much ambiguity and omission.
- Substantial degree of irrelevancy and incoherence.
- Very limited, rarely comprehensible to native speaker.
- No language worthy of credit.

**Knowledge and application of language**

- Wide range of appropriate vocabulary and structures, including some complex items.
- Consistently competent use of more complex structures and different tenses.
- Clear ability to manipulate language and to produce longer, fluent sentences with ease.
- Good variety of appropriate vocabulary and structures.
- Some attempt to use ambitious structures with a fair measure of success.
- Unambiguous use of different verb tenses.
- Generally at ease with subordination.
- Adequate but predictable range of vocabulary and structures.
- Correct syntax in simple, short sentences.
- Some longer sentences where syntax is not always correct.
- May include different tenses or time frames, perhaps with some ambiguity.
- Some examples of subordination.
- Limited and/or repetitive range of vocabulary or structures.
- Predominantly uses short sentences.
- Some attempts at tenses, but many mistakes.
- Language is basic and sometimes inappropriate to the task.
- Very limited range of basic structures.
- Frequently resorts to non-target language.
- Rarely offers complete sentences.
- No language worthy of credit.

**Accuracy**

- Very accurate, though not necessarily faultless.
- Consistently good spelling and manipulation of language.
- Secure when using more complex language with only a few minor errors.
- Generally accurate language.
- Most spelling and verb forms correct.
- When more complex structures are attempted, accuracy can be more variable.
- A fair number of errors made, including some basic, but communication overall unaffected.
- Straightforward and familiar language fairly accurately spell and manipulated.
- Verbs more correct than incorrect.
- The work is clearly more accurate than inaccurate.
- Many basic errors, but main points communicated.
- Simple "pre-learnt" stereotypes correct.
- Frequent misspellings.
- Frequent incorrect verb forms.
- Consistently inaccurate language and misspellings frequently impede basic communication.
- Only isolated examples of accurate language and verb formation.
- No language worthy of credit.

**Section A:** Short writing (30-70 words) in Arabic.  

(20 marks)
(b) You have been appointed as the main organiser of your school sports day. Write a plan in Arabic explaining:
The different sports and games that will be offered
The way you will organise the day and the help you will need to make it successful

Note: Your answer will mostly be written in the future tense. You might also use the past tense and the present tense to write about sports you practiced last week or sports you will play or practice in the future. Opinions will be in the present tense.
Add generic language (descriptions, opinions with reasons, connectives, time phrases, tenses, intensifiers) to achieve higher grades.

Suggestions:
You will be writing about different sports and events
You will be using time phrases. In the morning there will be (Fee asabaah sayakoonu hunaaka), and in the afternoon there will be (fee almasaa’ sayakoonu hunaaka)
Write about group sports and individual sports and compare them
Describe the different sports you will organise and give opinions and reason on these sports
الرياضة مفيدة وصحية جدا وأنا أمارس الرياضة والتمارين مرتين في الأسبوع مع أصدقائي ومع عائلتي.

في السنة الماضية نظمت يوما رياضيا في المدرسة. كان اليوم الرياضي في عطلة نهاية الأسبوع في الصباح في مدرستي وكان يوما ممتعا ومفيدا جدا وكان الجو مشمس وجميل جدا. استمتع كل التلاميذ باليوم الرياضي و بكل المسابقات الرياضية.

في اليوم الرياضي نظمت مسابقة كرة القدم ومسابقة كرة الطائرة وأيضا مسابقة السباحة. طلبت مساعدة أستاذة اللغة العربية وأستاذة العلوم وأستاذة الرياضة.

في السنة القادمة سوف أنظم يوم موسيقي في المدرسة بمساعدة أستاذة الموسيقى، هي لطيفة جدا. سوف تحضر فرق موسيقية وسيكون يوما ممتعا.