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GCSE Spanish Listening Higher tier

Paper 2 Mark scheme

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SECTION A: LISTENING COMPREHENSION

Question number	Answer	Mark
1(a)	**The only correct answer is B – traditional** **A** is not correct because the building is not modern **C** is not correct because tall is not mentioned	**(1)**

Question number	Answer	Mark
1(b)	**The only correct answer is A – mountains** **B** is not correct because the sea is not mentioned **C** is not correct because a city view is not mentioned	**(1)**

Question number	Answer	Mark
1(c)	**The only correct answer is C - eating at the hotel** **A** is not correct because going cycling is not mentioned **B** is not correct because she is not going to go to the town today	**(1)**

Question number	Answer	Mark
2(a)	runnin	**(1)**

Question number	Answer	Mark
2(b)	walking	**(1)**

Question number	Answer	Mark
2(c)	laughing	**(1)**

Question number	Answer	Mark
2(d)	travel together	**(1)**

Question number	Answer	Mark
2(e)	meet family	**(1)**

Question number	Answer	Mark
3	A - nature D - safety E - free energy	**(3)**

Question number	Answer	Mark
4 (a)	**The only correct answer is C – maths** **A** is not correct because Toni is bad at speaking other languages **B** is not correct because Toni is bad in science	**(1)**

Question number	Answer	Mark
4 (b)	**The only correct answer is A – exams** **B** is not correct because there are no clubs next week **C** is not correct because there is no homework next week	**(1)**

Question number	Answer	Mark
4 (c)	**The only correct answer is B – comfortable** **A** is not correct because only the tie is not necessary **C** is not correct because it is not expensive	**(1)**

Question number	Answer	Mark
4 (d)	**The only correct answer is A – computer** **B** is not correct because he uses a tablet at home **C** is not correct because they don't have books	**(1)**

Question number	Answer	Reject	Mark
5(a)	false information/fake news		**(1)**

Question number	Answer	Reject	Mark
5(b)	30 minutes		**(1)**

Question number	Answer	Reject	Mark
5(c)	film reviews		**(1)**

Question number	Answer	Mark
6(a)	stomach ache	**(1)**

Question number	Answer	Mark
6(b)	**IN THIS ORDER** rest go to the doctors	 **(1)** **(1)**

Question number	Answer	Reject	Mark
7(a)	**Pros** Near to school/can walk to school		**(1)**
	Cons sharing a bedroom		**(1)**

Question number	Answer	Reject	Mark
7(b)	**Pros** large/big		**(1)**
	Cons **EITHER** only one bathroom **OR** queue to bathe/queue to have a bath/ queue to use the bathroom		**(1)**

Question number	Answer	Reject	Mark
7(c)	**Pros** beautiful garden		**(1)**
	Cons noise/noisy		**(1)**

Question number	Answer	Mark
8(a)(i)	**The only correct answer is B –** **Europe** **A** is not correct because Andrea wanted to go to Venezeula but the flights are expensive **C** is not correct because last year Andrea went to Asia	**(1)**

Question number	Answer	Mark
8(a)(ii)	**The only correct answer is A - her girlfriend** **B** is not correct because she wants to discover new places with few tourists **C** is not correct because it's the first time she is travelling without her family	**(1)**

Question number	Answer	Mark
8(a)(iii)	**The only correct answer is B - a local campsite** **A** is not correct because Andrea does not want to waste money on hotels **C** is not correct because Andrea does not want to waste money on private accommodation	**(1)**

Question number	Answer	Mark
8(b)(i)	**The only correct answer is C – popular** **A** is not correct because is it not too hot in Emilio's village **B** is not correct because people really like to go to his down in summer	**(1)**

Question number	Answer	Mark
8(b)(ii)	**The only correct answer is B - playing in the Street** **A** is not correct because helping his family is not mentioned **C** is not correct because there is no park	**(1)**

Question number	Answer	Mark
8(b)(iii)	**The only correct answer is A - listening to the elderly** **B** is not correct because the only thing the village is lacking is the sea **C** is not correct because relaxing at home is not mentioned	**(1)**

Question number	Answer	Mark
9(a)	B - renting a flat is hard C - young people have a monthly salary of 1,000 euros E - working abroad gives you independence.	**(3)**

Question number	Answer	Reject	Mark
9(b)(i)	in an architecture company		**(1)**

Question number	Answer	Reject	Mark
9(b)(ii)	**EITHER** it was quick **OR** she felt comfortable		**(1)**

Question number	Answer	Reject	Mark
9(b)(iii)	working from home (one day a week)		**(1)**

Question number	Answer	Reject	Mark
9(b)(iv)	wearing a suit		**(1)**

Assessment criteria for Section B: Dictation

SECTION B: DICTATION (10 marks)

Students will listen to a series of short extracts and will transcribe what they hear into Spanish. Students will be rewarded for each individual word spelled appropriately and which demonstrates knowledge and understanding of Sound Symbol Correspondences (SSCs).
The number of rewardable words will then be given a mark on a sliding scale of 1 to 10 as shown in the grid below.

Mark	Number of rewardable words
10	28-30
9	25-27
8	22-24
7	19-21
6	16-18
5	13-15
4	10-12
3	7-9
2	4-6
1	1-3
0	0

Rewardable words encompass the following categories:

1. Words spelled exactly as in the transcript (NB: words in brackets are part of the rubric and are not part of the test):

    1. (La) amistad (te) aporta (mucha) alegría.
    2. (Mis) (amigos) (son) personas (muy) leales (y) cariñosas.
    3. Nos juntamos los viernes para salir.
    4. Vamos a un restaurante y conversamos.
    5. Todos somos grandes lectores de novelas.
    6. Mañana queremos ir a una presentación.

2. In acknowledgement that some SSCs have the same sound but different spellings, some common Spanish mis-spellings that do not change the pronunciation of the word are rewarded. For example:

    /b/ written with b or v

    vibir instead of vivir

    vastante instead of bastante

    /ll/ written with y or ll

    yevar instead of llevar

    mallo instead of mayo

    /ge//je/

    jente instead gente

    /gi//ji/

    jirar instead of girar

Non-rewardable words encompass the following categories:

3. Mis-spellings due to incorrect application of SSCs, even if the word looks recognisable, eg *gitarra* instead of *guitarra*. If in doubt, examiners should read the words the students have written out loud to themselves, using the correct SSC for the written symbols, to ensure that the spelling produces the correct sound. Examples of **sound spellings** that will **not** be rewarded:

Gitarra instead of guitarra
Gerra instead of guerra
dansa instead of danza
vethes instead of veces
huntas instead of juntas
pequenyo or pequeno instead of pequeño.
passar instead of pasar
addictivo instead of adictivo

Double consonant when the SSC is affected

ll (calla, cala)

rr (pero, perro)

4. Mis-spellings which are written phonetically, and which may contain appropriate SSCs, but which are so inaccurate that the words are unrecognisable if seen on their own in isolation, outside the context of the sentence, eg, sonyadorra *(soñadora)* outside the sentence *a veces es soñadora*. If in doubt, examiners should write the word out separately and ask themselves if they would understand the word if written in isolation.

5. **Higher tier only:** Spellings which do not follow associated spelling rules for key stress positions. For example:

- Words written without a required accent, for example:

  telefono instead of teléfono
  movil instead of móvil

- Words written with an accent where it is not required, for example:

  sociáles
  tiempó

NB: Only two words per higher dictation will assess key stress position.

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SECTION A
Listening comprehension

At the hotel

Question 1

F2: Ya he llegado al hotel. El edificio no es moderno, es tradicional. Las habitaciones son grandes. Se pueden ver las montañas desde la ventana. Hoy no voy a ir a la ciudad. Voy a cenar en el restaurante del hotel y descansar. Estoy cansada.

Free time

Question 2

M2: Antes pasaba mucho tiempo viendo la televisión y chateando online. Ahora me gusta correr y estar al aire libre. A mis padres les encanta caminar también. Mi familia es muy divertida y me río mucho con ellos. En mi opinión, reírse es excelente para la salud. Los fines de semana, a menudo hacemos viajes juntos pero el domingo que viene vamos a visitar a mis tíos para comer en su casa. Tengo ganas de verlos.

Living in a village

Question 3

M1: Es un placer vivir en mi pueblo por la naturaleza, pero no hay muchas actividades para los jóvenes. Desafortunadamente, el transporte es malo. Solo hay un autobús al día. Aquí no hay peligros y es seguro. Es una zona con viento y tenemos energía gratuita pero la gente no recicla.

School

Question 4

F1: ¿Toni?

M2: Saco buenas notas en matemáticas. Soy malo hablando otras lenguas y en ciencias. La próxima semana no tenemos deberes o clubs porque hay muchos exámenes.

F1: ¿Sara?

F2: No me importa llevar uniforme porque es cómodo y no es demasiado caro. Para mí, la corbata no es necesaria.

F1: ¿Alex?

M1: En historia siempre usamos los ordenadores. Hacemos muchos proyectos, pero no tenemos libros. En casa, uso la tableta.

Social media

Question 5

F1: ¿Javier?

M2: No uso las redes sociales ya que existe mucha información falsa.

Prefiero los periódicos.

F1: ¿Marta?

F2: Mis padres me limitan el tiempo que paso en las redes sociales. Solo tengo acceso durante treinta minutos cada día.

M1: ¿Miguel?

M2: Normalmente leo críticas de películas. La gente recomienda cosas muy interesantes en las redes.

Feeling sick

Question 6

M1: Hola. Te llamo porque no voy a ir al gimnasio. Mi pierna está mejor pero me duele el estómago. No he comido nada desde ayer, solamente he bebido agua. Parece que mi temperatura es normal. Mi madre dice que tengo que descansar. Creo que no necesito medicinas pero iré al médico esta tarde.

My house

Question 7

M1: ¿Carmen?

F2: Lo mejor de mi casa es que está a poca distancia de mi colegio. Por lo tanto, puedo ir andando fácilmente. Desafortunadamente, debo compartir mi habitación con mi hermanastra.

M1: ¿Luis?

M2: Vivo en un piso bastante amplio con mis padres y mis dos hermanos. No obstante, solamente hay un baño y por las mañanas hay que hacer cola para bañarse.

M1: ¿Nadia?

F1: Mi abuela y yo vivimos juntas desde hace un año. Su casa tiene un jardín precioso. Lo único malo es el ruido, dado que está al lado de una carretera enorme.

Summer holidays

Question 8

Question 8(a)

F1: ¿Andrea?

F2: El año pasado fui a Asia. Este verano quería ir a Venezuela pero los vuelos son caros. Por esta razón, he decidido viajar por Europa. La idea es visitar cinco países. En esta ocasión mi novia viene conmigo. Es la primera vez que viajo sin mi familia. Queremos descubrir lugares nuevos con pocos turistas. Acabamos de reservar la primera noche en un camping local. No queremos gastar dinero en hoteles o alojamiento privado.

Question 8(b)

F1: ¿Emilio?

M2: En vacaciones voy al pueblo de mis padres. No hace demasiado calor y a la gente le gusta mucho ir en verano. No hay ningún parque, pero paso los días jugando en la calle con mis amigos. El ambiente es muy familiar y todo el mundo se conoce. Me encanta sentarme fuera con la gente mayor y escuchar las historias de otras generaciones. Lo único que le falta al pueblo es el mar.

The world of work

Question 9

Question 9(a)

F1: Según una encuesta reciente, la mayoría de los jóvenes vive con sus padres después de terminar sus estudios. Alquilar un piso no es fácil, ya que los salarios son muy bajos. Normalmente los jóvenes ganan mil euros al mes. Por eso, muchos prefieren quedarse en casa con sus padres y ahorrar. Una minoría logra conseguir trabajo en el extranjero y tener más independencia. Los trabajos fuera de España están mejor pagados.

Question 9(b)

F1: Acabo de terminar la universidad. En mi caso, tengo suerte porque voy a trabajar en una compañía de arquitectura. La entrevista fue bastante rápida y me sentí capaz desde el principio. Las condiciones de trabajo son buenas, tanto el horario como lo que voy a ganar. Sin embargo, la ventaja más grande es que se puede trabajar desde casa un día a la semana. Lo que odio del puesto es tener que llevar traje para trabajar.

SECTION B

Dictation

Instructions

- You will listen to six short sentences.
- For sentences 1 and 2 you must write down the missing words that you hear in the gaps provided.
- For each gap you must write one word in Spanish.
- For sentences 3 to 6 you must write down the whole sentence that you hear in the spaces provided, in Spanish.
- For each sentence there will be between five and seven words.
- The number of each sentence will be announced.
- You will hear each sentence three times.

Question 10

You are going to hear someone talking about friendship.

Sentences 1 and 2: Write down the missing words in the gaps provided. In each gap you will write one word **in Spanish**.

Example: Para mí tener buenos amigos es importante.

1. La amistad te *aporta mucha alegría.
2. Mis amigos son personas muy *leales y *cariñosas.

Sentences 3, 4, 5 and 6: Write down the full sentences that you hear in the spaces provided, **in Spanish**.

Example: Me gustar pasar tiempo con ellos.

3. Nos juntamos los viernes para salir.
4. Vamos a un restaurante y conversamos.
5. Todos somos grandes lectores de novelas.
6. Mañana queremos ir a una presentación.

* Non-vocabulary list words

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