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INTERNATIONAL ENGLISH LANGUAGE / BUSINESS EXAMS FOR SPEAKERS OF OTHER LANGUAGES

Masters Level Marking Scheme / Section F: Composition

MARKS	CRITERIA
21-25	<p>High level of English literacy.</p> <p>Sophisticated range of appropriate vocabulary and structures.</p> <p>Successful realisation of the task set. Shows some depth in discussion.</p> <p>Logical and skilful organisation of ideas, including an introduction and a conclusion. Concepts linked coherently both at sentence and at text level.</p> <p>For the lower level of this band there may be one or two small errors such as spelling or slight awkwardness of expression.</p>
17-20	<p>Good variety of generally appropriate vocabulary and structures with minimal errors.</p> <p>There may be several awkward/misplaced expressions; spelling errors, and at the lower end of the band minimal grammatical slip ups.</p> <p>Good realisation of the task, even if not sophisticated.</p> <p>Good structure to the composition; reasonable cohesion and use of linking devices.</p>
13-16	<p>Simple language, adequate but not ambitious. Errors in syntax and vocabulary but communication established.</p> <p>Some attempt at organisation.</p> <p>Satisfactory realisation of the task.</p>
8-12	<p>Candidate fails to address the task adequately. Basic errors of vocabulary and syntax, in fact very little control of structures other than simple ones. Little or no convincing organisation and inadequate use of linking strategies and devices. May be short, or very repetitive.</p> <p>A reader would not be convinced of the candidate's mastery of the subject or the language needed to discuss it.</p>
Below 8	<p>Incoherent. Or too short, or no real attempt to discuss the issues, or very repetitive. Poor expression of ideas. Poor organisation, if any.</p>

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