

Commentary on candidate evidence

The candidate evidence has achieved the following marks for each question of the question paper.

Candidate 1

Question 1

The candidate was awarded **3 marks**.

The candidate's first point of understanding is 'halted a random person'. This was given **1 mark** (bullet 1 of the marking instructions).

The candidate's second relevant response is contained within the same sentence: 'praise what they were wearing.' This was also awarded **1 mark** as it addresses bullet 2 of the marking instructions.

The candidate's third point, 'her unconfident walk', was given **1 mark** for an understanding of 'slow, defeated steps' (bullet 6 of the marking instructions).

The candidate has now achieved the maximum marks for the question but goes on to offer, 'She was wearing such a beautiful outfit that I just felt the need to enlighten her,' which is a re-statement of their second point.

Question 2

The candidate was awarded **4 marks**.

The selection "stealth" was awarded **1 mark**. The comment which followed the reference, 'she does all of her deeds in secret', was also awarded **1 mark** for the idea of secretive (bullet 1 of the marking instructions).

The candidate's second selection, "anonymously", was given **1 mark**. The comment was awarded **1 mark** as it demonstrates understanding of not wanting any credit (bullet 10 of the marking instructions).

Question 3

The candidate was awarded **2 marks**.

The candidate's selection and identification of direction, "voluntary giving" links back', was given **1 mark**. The explanation which follows, 'to the previous paragraph all about doing good things for others', was also given **1 mark** as it addresses the idea of 'good deeds'.

The candidate's identification of a link forward and accompanying comment would also have been worth 2 marks, but maximum marks have been achieved.

Question 4

The candidate was awarded **4 marks**.

The candidate's first selection "boasters" was given **1 mark** (bullet 9 of the marking instructions). The comment 'suggests that people only do good to post on social media for bragging rights' was also awarded **1 mark**.

The second selection "drama" was given **1 mark**. The comment 'skit for other people's enjoyment' was given **1 mark** for the idea of entertainment.

Question 5

The candidate was awarded **3 marks**.

The candidate's first comment 'Vic follows the "pay it forward" acts"' relies on a direct lift from the passage. No marks were awarded.

The candidate's second comment, 'cash for transportation', was awarded **1 mark** (bullet 4 of the marking instructions).

The candidate's third response was given no marks as it is a re-statement of the point above.

The fourth point, 'being sneaky is the real way of becoming a kind person', was awarded **1 mark** for the idea of the necessity of secrecy (bullet 5 of the marking instructions).

The candidate's next point was given no marks because 'hidden random acts of kindness' repeats the point above.

The candidate's final point, 'fulfilled in life', was awarded **1 mark** for showing sufficient understanding of 'makes my heart feel really full.'

Question 6

The candidate was awarded **4 marks**.

The candidate offers a correct selection, "conceals", and was given **1 mark**. The comment that follows, 'suggests that they will only be praised if they do it secretly', was also given **1 mark** (bullet 5 of the marking instructions).

The candidate's second selection "unreciprocated" was given **1 mark**, and **1 mark** was also awarded to the comment 'suggests ...for someone else's benefit and not your own.' This is the idea of not expecting anything in return from bullet 7 of the marking instructions.

Question 7

The candidate was awarded **2 marks**.

The candidate's first point, 'enhances how someone views themselves', was given **1 mark** for demonstrating understanding of 'boost their own self-worth' (bullet 1 of the marking instructions).

The second point, 'The cure to not feeling fulfilled is to turn into a person who does kind things', was awarded **1 mark** for showing a good understanding of '...feel like their lives aren't worthwhile ...The antidote to this.'

The candidate's third point was given no marks because it relies on the word 'positivity' which is too close to a key word of the question.

Question 8

The candidate was awarded **2 marks**.

The candidate's first point, 'worried that they were dangerous', is worth **1 mark** for showing understanding of 'concerned they were poisonous' (bullet 1 of the marking instructions).

The candidate's second point, 'There wasn't a name of the person who gave them to her', was given **1 mark** for demonstrating understanding of 'anonymous gifts' or 'no stated sender' (bullet 2 of the marking instructions).

The third point, 'she did not want to digest them', would have been awarded 1 mark but maximum marks for this question have already been achieved.

Question 9

The candidate was awarded **2 marks**.

The candidate's selection "I just have to tell him" was given **1 mark**. The candidate's comment that this 'is an effective conclusion because it refers back to "...had to tell her"' was awarded **1 mark** (bullet 5 of the marking instructions).

In total, the candidate was awarded **26 out of 30 marks** for this question paper.

Candidate 2

Question 1

The candidate was awarded **2 marks**.

The candidate's first point was awarded **1 mark** for an understanding of 'the woman's ...slow, defeated steps' (bullet 6 of the marking instructions).

The candidate's second point 'she was surprised to receive a complement' was given no mark because the key word 'compliment' is taken from the passage.

The third point, 'She adored how she wore her clothes', was given no marks as there is no reference here to Marilyn Devonish's action of telling the woman (bullet 2 of the marking instructions).

The candidate's fourth point was given **1 mark** for 'she wasn't confident' (bullet 7 of the marking instructions).

Question 2

The candidate was awarded **4 marks**.

The candidate's first selection "Complements passed on" was given **1 mark** (bullet 7 of the marking instructions). The comment 'suggests you should repeat the act of kindness' was also awarded **1 mark**.

The candidate then offers a second selection, "unamed and untraceable". This was given **1 mark** (bullet 10 of the marking instructions). The candidate's analysis 'suggests she doesn't want recognition for her kindness' was awarded **1 mark**.

The candidate then quotes and offers analysis on "anonymously" (bullet 10 of the marking instructions). This was given no marks as maximum marks have been achieved. In any case, this part of the candidate's response covers the same ground as the point above.

Question 3

The candidate was awarded **1 mark**.

The first three selections made by the candidate were given no marks because the candidate has identified the wrong direction in each case. The candidate then goes on to make an appropriate selection and direction: "'improve a giver's own wellbeing" links forward.' This was given **1 mark**. However, the accompanying reference 'to "boost their own sense of self worth"' was awarded no marks as it is too far forward in the passage to be considered a structural link.

Question 4

The candidate was awarded **4 marks**.

The candidate's first reference "broadcasted" was given **1 mark** (bullet 6 of the marking instructions). The comment 'to ...recieve recognition' was also awarded **1 mark**.

The candidate's next selection, "attracted criticism", is incorrect and was awarded no marks.

The candidate's third selection, "humanitarian drama", was given **1 mark** (bullet 11 of the marking instructions). The comment 'suggests over the top' was awarded **1 mark** for the idea of sensationalism.

Full marks have now been achieved for this question. The candidate's fourth selection, "new breed", would not have been given a mark as the reference is incomplete: the whole of 'new breed of "good Samaritan"' is needed. The candidate's selection of "unwitting recipients" and analytical comment would have been given 2 marks, but maximum marks have already been awarded.

Question 5

The candidate was awarded **3 marks**.

The candidate's first point, 'She places some ...amounts of money attached to public transport shelters/stops' was given **1 mark**. The word 'money' is a lift from the passage, but the candidate has shown enough understanding of the writer's idea here to be awarded a mark (bullet 4 of the marking instructions).

The candidate's second point also addresses the content of bullet 4 of the marking instruction; therefore, no mark was awarded.

The candidate's third point, 'she did lots of random acts of kindness', is too vague: there is no sense of an understanding of the concept of commitment (as described in bullet 6 of the marking instructions).

The candidate's fourth point, 'something is better than nothing', was given **1 mark** for demonstrating an understanding of "Even small gestures, I really recommend them" (bullet 9 of the marking instructions).

The fifth point, 'attention seeking', was given no mark because the candidate does not specify who is 'attention seeking' (bullet 1 of the marking instructions).

The candidate's sixth point, 'finds it difficult to do some good deeds anonymously', was given no marks because the key word 'anonymously' is a lift from this area of the passage (bullet 5 of the marking instructions).

The seventh point, 'should be spontaneous/not planned out', is incorrect and was given no mark.

The candidate's eighth point, 'actions should be given to someone else not to who you recieved them from' was given **1 mark** for showing an understanding of the 'pay it forward' philosophy (bullet 2 of the marking instructions).

Question 6

The candidate was awarded **4 marks**.

The candidate's first reference, "Unreciprocated giving", was given **1 mark** (bullet 7 of the marking instructions). The candidate's comment 'suggests you shouldn't look for anything in return' was also given **1 mark**.

The candidate's next reference is "Do not your good works in public". This was awarded **1 mark** (bullet 8 of the marking instructions). The relevant comment 'good deeds should go unnoticed' was awarded **1 mark**.

The candidate then offers the reference "humble". This is correct (bullet 10 of the marking instructions), but maximum marks for this question have already been awarded. The comment 'suggests you should be fair do it out of the good of your heart' is not sufficiently precise and would not have been awarded a mark.

The candidate's final reference, "The list of cultures", is correct and would have been given 1 mark (bullet 3 of the marking instructions). Similarly, the analytical comment 'emphasises the ...variety...' would also have been awarded 1 mark.

Question 7

The candidate was awarded **3 marks**.

The candidate's first point, 'increases confidence in one's self', was given **1 mark** for showing an understanding of 'boost their own sense of self-worth' (bullet 1 of the marking instructions).

The candidate's second point, 'improves the happiness of everyone', was awarded **1 mark** (bullet 6 of the marking instructions). Here the candidate's word 'improves' shows understanding of the idea of 'much greater sense of.' The candidate goes on to add 'increases the moral globally.' This too was given **1 mark** (bullet 5 of the marking instructions).

The third point, 'everyone is more happy', and 'improves everyones mood' both repeat the ideas contained in bullet 5 of the marking instructions. No further marks can be awarded here.

The candidate's fourth point, 'makes you a better person', is close to bullet 1 of the marking instructions ('helps you feel better about yourself'), but the understanding is not quite right and no mark would have been given for this.

Question 8

The candidate was awarded **2 marks**.

The candidate's first point 'were contaminated' was awarded **1 mark** for showing an understanding of 'concerned they were poisoned' (bullet 1 of the marking instructions).

The candidate's second point, 'caused the reciever anxiety', was given **1 mark** for an understanding of 'she was quite paranoid' (bullet 3 of the marking instructions). The candidate goes on to say, 'She was continuously worried.' The intensifier 'continuously' here from 'continuously worried' would also have allowed 1 mark to be awarded for bullet point 3 if maximum marks hadn't already been achieved.

Question 9

The candidate was awarded **2 marks**.

The candidate offers a number of responses here. The candidate's first three selections are correct and any of them would be worth 1 mark. However, all accompanying comments are incorrect.

The candidate's fourth reference, "Oh my God", is not a relevant selection and was awarded no mark.

The candidate was awarded **1 mark** for their final selection, "I just have to tell him" (bullet 5 of the marking instructions). The candidate's comment 'even small gestures, I really recommend them' is appropriate and was given **1 mark**.

In total, the candidate was awarded **25 out of 30 marks** for this question paper.

Candidate 3

Question 1

The candidate was awarded **2 marks**.

The candidate's first point, 'She was rushing', was awarded **1 mark** for the idea of being in a hurry (bullet 4 of the marking instructions).

The second point, 'tell the woman she liked her outfit', was given no marks because it relies too much on words from the passage.

The candidate's third point, 'It cheered the woman up', was awarded **1 mark** for an understanding of Devonish's attempt to lift the woman's mood (bullet 6 of the marking instructions).

The fourth point, 'She didn't really need to tell her', again depends too much on the wording of the passage and was given no mark.

Question 2

The candidate was awarded **4 marks**.

The candidate's first selection is "angel of good deeds". This was given **1 mark**, and **1 mark** was awarded to the accompanying comment 'bring hope and light' as it conveys the idea of benevolence (bullet 2 of the marking instructions).

The candidate then quotes "the point is not to be known". This was given **1 mark**. The comment 'not to tell others' was also awarded **1 mark** (bullet 10 of the marking instructions).

Question 3

The candidate was awarded **0 marks**.

The candidate refers to a correct selection, "improve a givers own wellbeing", but does not identify the direction of the link correctly. No marks can be awarded.

Question 4

The candidate was awarded **4 marks**.

The candidate's first reference, "rebranding acts of kindness", was awarded **1 mark**. The comment 'changing the meaning' was also given **1 mark** for the idea of deliberate distortion (bullet 10 of the marking instructions).

The candidate's second reference "boasters" was awarded **1 mark** (bullet 9 of the marking instructions). The comment 'only donating to make themselves look good' was also given **1 mark**.

Question 5

The candidate was awarded **3 marks**.

The candidate's first point, 'She believes people will want to do good for others if good is done to them', was given **1 mark** for demonstrating understanding of the idea contained in 'the happy recipient of a good deed will be prompted to go on and perform a good deed' (bullet 2 of the marking instructions).

The second point, 'She doesn't commit acts of kindness specifically to peoples faces', was given **1 mark** for showing understanding of 'secrecy is both the key to being a genuine good Samaritan' (bullet 5 of the marking instructions).

The candidate's third point, 'She doesn't want people to know what she's doing', covers the same ground as the point above and was therefore given no mark.

The fourth point, 'She wants everyone to commit acts of kindness', relies too much on key words from the passage. No mark was awarded.

The candidate's fifth point, 'feels fulfilled', was given **1 mark** (bullet 10 of the marking instructions). The candidate's choice of the word 'fulfilled' shows an understanding of 'it makes my heart feel really full.'

The candidate's final point, 'She does small, simple gestures', was given no mark as the significant words 'small' and 'gestures' are taken directly from the passage.

Question 6

The candidate was awarded **4 marks**.

The candidate was given **1 mark** for the reference "Do not your good works in public" (bullet 8 of the marking instructions). The comment 'people shouldn't do good for others to see' also given **1 mark**.

The candidate was given **1 mark** for the selection "the left hand does not know what the right hand has given" (bullet 6 of the marking instructions), and **1 mark** was awarded for the comment 'only for the giver to know about' which addresses the idea of keeping intentions secret.

Question 7

The candidate was awarded **2 marks**.

The candidate's first point, 'makes people feel better about themselves', was given **1 mark** (bullet 1 of the marking instructions).

The candidate's second point was awarded no marks as it does not show sufficient relevant understanding.

The candidate's third point, 'brings pure happiness', was given **1 mark** for demonstrating understanding of 'much greater sense of joy' (bullet 6 of the marking instructions).

Question 8

The candidate was awarded **1 mark**.

The candidate's first point, 'people can be scared about an anonymous person doing nice things for them', was given no marks as the key word 'anonymous' is taken from the passage.

The candidate's second point, 'people may need to come forward about their attempts at kindness', addresses the idea of 'I had to confess all' (bullet 5 of the marking instructions) and was given **1 mark**.

Question 9

The candidate was awarded **2 marks**.

The candidate makes a correct selection, "I just have to tell him", and was given **1 mark** (bullet 5 of the marking instructions). The comment 'creates an effective conclusion because it links back to the first paragraph about Devonish complimenting someone where she says "I just had to tell her"' was also awarded **1 mark**.

In total, the candidate was awarded **22 out of 30 marks** for this question paper.