6.7 Theme 3.3: The environment and where people live - Writing: 30-minute Pack

AQA 8692 · about 30 minutes

Total Marks

Name: _____ Date: ____ / ____ / _____

Question 1 is the Foundation tier task: write approximately 90 words in Spanish. Answer the question that matches your tier, or attempt both for practice. Question 2 is a short structured writing task: answer each bullet point with a short response in Spanish.

1 - cómo es el pueblo o la ciudad donde vives
- qué problemas medioambientales hay en tu zona
- una opinión sobre el reciclaje
- algo que haces tú para proteger el medio ambiente

(Total for Question 1 is 20 marks)

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2 You are answering a short survey for a Spanish environmental awareness campaign at school. Answer each question below with a short response in Spanish (one or two sentences).

(a) ¿Dónde vives? **(2)**

(b) ¿Reciclas en casa? **(2)**

(c) ¿Qué problema medioambiental te preocupa más? **(2)**

(d) ¿Qué vas a hacer para proteger el medio ambiente? **(2)**

(Total for Question 2 is 8 marks)

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Question 1

Content and communication (AO4, 10 marks)

Level 3 All four bullet points covered with relevant detail; the message communicates clearly throughout; the opinion on recycling is clearly expressed and justified.	**8-10**
Level 2 Most bullet points covered, though development may be thin on one or two; the message is mostly clear; an opinion is given but the justification may be brief or missing.	**4-7**
Level 1 One or two bullet points covered in a basic way; the message has some clarity but gaps in meaning may occur; little or no opinion is offered.	**1-3**
Level 0 No creditable content, or the response is entirely irrelevant to the task.	**0**

Range and accuracy of language (AO4, 10 marks)

Level 3 A good range of vocabulary and structures, including at least one opinion phrase and one connective beyond 'y'/'pero'; verbs are mostly correctly formed and agree with their subject; errors do not hinder understanding.	**8-10**
Level 2 Some variety of vocabulary and structures; verbs are mostly recognisable though with some agreement or spelling errors; meaning is usually clear despite errors.	**4-7**
Level 1 Limited, repetitive vocabulary and structures; frequent verb errors; meaning is sometimes unclear.	**1-3**
Level 0 Language too limited or inaccurate to communicate meaning.	**0**

Indicative content:

- A description of the town using ser/hay/estar, e.g. 'Vivo en un pueblo pequeño que está en el norte de España; hay un parque y un río cerca de mi casa'.
- Mention of a local environmental problem, e.g. 'En mi zona hay bastante contaminación del aire a causa del tráfico'.
- An opinion on recycling using an opinion phrase, e.g. 'Creo que reciclar es muy importante' / 'En mi opinión, no reciclamos lo suficiente'.
- A justifying clause introduced by 'porque', e.g. 'porque ayuda a reducir la cantidad de basura'.
- An action they take to protect the environment, using the present tense, e.g. 'Siempre apago las luces cuando salgo de una habitación' / 'Voy al instituto a pie en vez de en coche'.
- Use of 'hay que' or 'debemos' to express a general environmental obligation, e.g. 'Hay que cuidar el planeta'.
- A connective beyond 'y'/'pero', e.g. 'aunque', 'sin embargo', 'además', to link ideas within or across sentences.

Question 2

(a) Content: names a plausible type of settlement or place	**B1**
(a) Accuracy: vivir correctly conjugated in the first person	**B1**
(a) Answer: Vivo en un pueblo pequeño en el campo.	
(b) Content: gives a plausible yes/no answer with a relevant detail	**B1**
(b) Accuracy: reciclar correctly conjugated in the first person	**B1**
(b) Answer: Sí, reciclo el papel y el vidrio todas las semanas.	
(c) Content: names a plausible environmental problem	**B1**
(c) Accuracy: preocupar correctly conjugated to agree with the problem (gustar-type verb)	**B1**
(c) Answer: El problema que más me preocupa es el cambio climático.	
(d) Content: gives a plausible environmentally friendly action	**B1**
(d) Accuracy: ir a + infinitive correctly formed	**B1**
(d) Answer: Voy a usar menos plástico y a ir al instituto en bicicleta.	

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