

2.2 REVIEW OF CANDIDATES' RESPONSES FOR PART 1

Question 1

You received an email from your friend, Diana who plans to help a classmate, Julia move into her new house.

Hi,

Julia and her family are moving into their new house this Sunday. We should lend them a hand. Let's go there together. Where should we meet and what time works best for you? I'm still thinking about how we can help them. Any ideas? Should we bring anything?

*Let me know what you think.
Diana*

Write an email to your friend in about 80 words in the space provided.

Question 3

You recently saw this notice in a teen magazine.

Write Away!

Do you enjoy playing online games? Tell us about an online game you enjoy! Share with us why you like playing online games and explain how you balance your time between playing online games and doing schoolwork.

The best article will receive gift vouchers from Maju Games Store.

Write your article.

Examples of answer by candidates with high achievement

i. **Content**

All content is relevant to the task and well-explained.

Example 1: Do you enjoy playing online games? Tell us about an online game you enjoy.

I am not a big gamer, however there is one game that I hold close to my heart and that is Rhythm Hive. If you love music, or specifically k-pop, you will love this game too!

Example 2: Share with us why you like playing online games.

I enjoy playing this game because it helps me release stress from my hectic school life. I usually listen to music to de-stress but playing...

Example 3: Explain how you balance your time between playing games and doing school work.

my favourite hit songs from my favourite group, Enhyeon. On the other hand, I know I still have responsibilities to uphold so I always set a timer when I start playing. I usually play for no more than two hours. This enables me to manage my time efficiently and hit those books right away.

ii. **Communicative Achievement**

The candidate produces a text that uses the conventions of an article to hold the target reader's attention and communicates straightforward ideas appropriately. The response fits the format of an article. Ideas are expressed clearly. There is no misunderstanding or blurring of the ideas put forward. The tone, register and format are all correctly used.

Example 1: Tone

which heightens your chance of getting high scores. The picture displayed on the cards are insanely gorgeous as they feature the comeback photos of your favourite idols. What a sight! Recently, they updated it to have

iii. **Organisation**

The essay is generally well-organised as it uses an introduction to explain the topic well and a conclusion to tie up all the points effectively. A variety of cohesive devices is also used.

Example 1: I am not a big gamer, however...

I am not a big gamer, however there is one game that I hold close to my heart and that is Rhythm Hive. If you love music,

Example 2: Additionally, ...

Additionally, you can collect cards with different experience levels which heightens your chance of getting high scores. The picture displayed

iv. **Language**

The candidate uses a range of everyday vocabulary and some less common lexis which are appropriate to the task.

Merits / Good phrases:

Example 1: hold close to my heart.

I am not a big gamer, however there is one game that I hold close to my heart and that is Rhythm Hive. If you love music,

Example 2: ...kill two birds with one stone

This game helps me kill two birds with one stone.

The candidate uses a range of simple and some complex grammatical forms with a good degree of control.

Example 1: Although, what makes it challenging is the mode of levels change from time to time along with the difficulty level.

win! Although, what makes it challenging is the mode of levels change from time to time along with the difficulty level. It definitely keeps you on

Example 2: On the other hand, I know I still have responsibilities to uphold so I always set a timer when I start playing.

my favourite hit songs from my favourite group, Enhyphen. On the other hand, I know I still have responsibilities to uphold so I always set a timer when I start playing. I usually play for no more than two

WRITE YOUR OWN IDEAS ON THE TOPIC OF ONLINE GAMES