

2026 MSCE ENGLISH 1 MARKING KEY

SECTION A

1. D
2. A
3. B
4. C
5. C
6. B
7. B
8. C
9. B
10. D
11. A
12. C
13. A
14. B
15. C
16. C
17. B
18. C
19. D
20. C
21. B
22. A
23. A
24. C
25. D
26. B
27. A
28. C
29. B
30. C



SECTION B

31. Introduction

- ✦ mention the area
- ✦ mention the purpose of the write up

body

- causes
 - ✦ poverty/economic hardship
 - ✦ price disparities
 - ✦ scarcity and shortages
 - ✦ corruption
 - ✦ lack of regulation and enforcement
 - ✦ cross-border trade
 - ✦ lack of awareness/ignorance
- effects
 - ✦ loss of government revenue
 - ✦ distorted market prices
 - ✦ unemployment
 - ✦ high crime and corruption rate
 - ✦ safety risks
 - ✦ etc
- solutions
 - ✦ increase fuel supply
 - ✦ improve fuel distribution
 - ✦ enforce laws and regulations
 - ✦ public awareness campaigns
 - ✦ etc

General formula for marking = 5 + (10 - N) + 25 = 40 marks

Where 5 = layout

10 = language, half a mark being deducted for each mistake

25 = content

20 to 25 = outstanding

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a. Full, on: $5 + (10 -) + 12$ to 14 = bare pass
3

b. Full, on/off: $5 + (10 -) + 10$
3

c. Full, off: $5 + (5 -) + 7$
2



d. Short, on: $5 + (5 -) + 10$ 3

e. Short, on/off: $5 + (5 -) + 7$ 2

f. Short, off: $5 + (5 -) + 5$ 1

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32. In the story, a character/characters hides a positive trait/behaviours/capabilities due to his/her humble looks/ behaviours but displays them at a time no-one else is able to offer solutions to a potential life threatening situation.

The story also portray

- setting
- characters
- conflict
- climax
- resolution
- point of view
- clear themes e.t.c.

General formula for marking = $(10 - N) + 30 = 40$ marks

Where 10 = language, half a mark being deducted for each mistake

30 = content 25 to 30 = outstanding

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a. Full, on: $(10 -) + 14$ to 16 = bare pass 3

b. Full, on/off: $(10 -) + 12$ 3

c. Full, off: $(5 -) + 10$ 2



d. Short, on: $(5 -) + 12$ 3

e. Short, on/off: $(5 -) + 10$ 2

f. Short, off: $(5 -) + 5$

END OF MARKING KEY

