

Section A Suggested LORMS Marking Scheme

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| 1(a)) | <p>Study Source A.</p> <p>Why did the government official make this speech? Explain your answer.</p> <p>Skill Targeted: Inference</p> | [5] |
| L1 | <p>Answers based on provenance or description of source</p> <p>E.g. He made this speech because he was the government official.</p> | 1 |
| L2 | <p>Because of the context</p> <p>i.e. no use of source content</p> <p>E.g. He made this speech because some Singaporeans feel that new immigrants have not integrated sufficiently into society. (discomfort with inflow of foreigners)</p> | 2 |
| L3 | <p>Infers Sub Message of source</p> <p>E.g focus on the importance of immigrants in strengthening the economy.</p> | 3 |
| L4 | <p>Infers Main Message of the source: valid interpretation Or Infers outcome/impact</p> <p>Successful integration</p> <p>Immigrants are important in maintaining harmony</p> | 4 |
| L5 | <p>Infers Purpose of the source, supported</p> <p>Award higher marks for more developed answers.</p> <p>The government official made this speech to convince the immigrants at the ceremony that immigrants play an important role in maintaining harmony in Singapore. This is evident in “The peace and harmony that we enjoy today did not come about by sheer chance, and we cannot take it for granted”. This means that everyone has to contribute to building a cohesive and harmonious society in Singapore as it is important for the progress of the country.</p> <p>The government official made this speech as there has been unhappiness as Singaporeans feel that the new immigrants do not integrate themselves sufficiently.</p> <p>Hence, this speech was made to convince the immigrants so that they will take the initiative to integrate themselves so as to maintain harmony in Singapore.</p> | 5 |
| 1(b)) | Study Sources B and C. | [7] |

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| | How similar are these sources? Explain your answer. | |
| L1 | Use of content but no valid matching | [1] |
| L2 | Similarity/difference because of provenance/source type/topic | [2] |
| L3 | Similarity OR difference of content E.g. Both source are similar in stating that immigrants have been integrated into Singapore's society. This is evident in B which states that Mdm Angie "has been actively involved in the community" and that she "explains policies such as Medishield Life and the Silver Support Scheme to seniors". This is also evident in C which states that "two of these new immigrants have joined the group and families have met, chit chatted and have turned from cohabitators to friends". This means that in both sources, the immigrants have successfully adapted to life in Singapore. OR E.g. Both source are different in stating how the new immigrants have been integrated into society. Source B states that the new immigrants took the initiative to volunteer and get to learn and interact with others while Source C states that new citizens started initiating conversations with their neighbours and broke the ice. This is evident in B which states "being a volunteer helped me to integrate better and get to know others better" and in C which states "A smile, a few words and before I knew it, the same people who made snide remarks were saying hey these new folks are ok really". | [3-4] |
| L4 | Similarity AND difference of content Award 6 marks for well-supported similarity and difference. | 5-6 |
| L5 | L3 + Similarity in terms of purpose of sources E.g. Both sources are similar in their purpose. The purpose of both sources is to convince Singaporeans that new immigrants are doing their part in integrating into Singapore's society so that Singaporeans would change their minds about the new immigrants and put in effort and help these new immigrants integrate well into society. | 7 |

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| 1(c) | Study Source D. Are you surprised by Source D? Explain your answer. | 6 |
| L1 | Surprised because of provenance, unexplained | 1 |
| L2 | Surprised because of generalised context (without focus on content) E.g. I am surprised that such a book will be launched to highlight desirable social norms. | 2 |

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| L3 | L2 + Cross-reference/Context | 3 |
| L4 | L2 + Purpose | 4 |
| L5 | Surprised/not surprised based on valid inference <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Government has put in effort - Integration is unsuccessful | 5 |
| L6 | L5 + Developed evaluation (cross-reference/purpose) <p>I am not surprised as this is by the People's Association Integration Council. The purpose of Source D is to encourage Singaporeans and foreign immigrants to develop desirable social norms so that they will be better able to understand each other and achieve successful integration. Hence, this is expected and I am not surprised.</p> | 6 |

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| 1(d) | Study Sources E and F. Which of these two sources is more useful as evidence about new immigrants in Singapore? Explain your answer. | [7] |
| L1 | Undeveloped provenance | [1] |
| L2 | Content <p>Both sources are equally useful as both are similar in stating that immigrants are not sufficiently integrated into Singapore society.</p> <p>Source E is useful as it suggests that some immigrants are putting in effort to integrate into Singapore's society.</p> <p>Source F is useful as it suggests that some immigrants are not putting in effort to integrate into Singapore's society.</p> | [2-3] |
| L3 | Cross-reference <p>CR to Source B, C or BI</p> | [4-5] |
| L4 | Developed evaluation of one source <p>Source F is an excerpt of a song by a popular Singaporean podcaster. He has presented a subjective perspective, one that is very critical of the curry incident and the foreign immigrants. As he is a popular podcaster, he wants to criticize the immigrant family and convince the Singaporeans that foreign immigrants are not making an effort to integrate into Singapore's society so that they can pressure the government to review the foreign</p> | 6 |

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| | immigration policy. As he has a hidden agenda, Source F is less reliable and less useful than Source F. | |
| L5 | L4 + Developed evaluation of both sources Source E is from an interview with a German immigrant who spoke objectively about the issue on immigrants integrating in Singapore. He has provided a balanced perspective, stating that foreigners are not putting in effort to integrate into society and locals are not welcoming of foreigners and are not helping them integrate into society. He wants to convince both parties to put in more effort so that the immigrants can seamlessly integrate into society and both parties can learn more about each other. As such, Source E is reliable and thus more useful than Source F. | 7 |

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| 1(e) | "Diversity has positive impacts." | [10] |
| L1 | Writes about statement, no valid source use | 1 |
| L2 | Yes/No, supported by valid source use E.g Yes – Source A, B, C, D No – Source A, E, F <ul style="list-style-type: none"> If same explanation is used for both sources on the same side, then can only award marks for ONE source (the better explained source) | 2-4 |
| L3 | Yes + No, supported i.e. Both elements of L2. Note: Consideration on number of sources used and the quality of analysis in deciding on marks in L2 and L3. **To score additional 2 marks, candidates can take any one of these 3 routes: | 5-8 |

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| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Through analysing at least one source in relation to its reliability, utility or sufficiency. • By sharing examples from their contextual knowledge. • By giving a balanced conclusion/resolution <p>This allows scope for candidates to decide what comes more naturally for them, and will invite meaningful thinking, without making any of the above a direct requirement.</p> | |
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| <p>(a) Extract 1 highlights the popularity of Personal Mobility Devices (PMDs) and recent calls for tougher action against reckless users of PMDs.</p> <p>your opinion, what can be done to curb reckless use of PMDs to ensure safety of pedestrians? Explain your answer using two recommendations. [7]</p> | | |
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| Level | Descriptor | Marks |
| L1 | Describes the topic | 1 |
| L2 | Identifies/describes suggestion <i>Award 2 marks for identifying 1 recommendation and 3 marks for identifying 2 recommendations</i> <i>Award 3 marks for describing 1 recommendation and 4 marks for describing 2 recommendations</i> | 2-4 |

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| L3 | <p>L2 + Explanation <i>Award 5-6 marks for explaining one recommendation.</i> <i>Award 6-7 marks for explaining two recommendations.</i></p> <p>Eg. One way curb reckless use of PMDs is by introducing compulsory course and license to continue using PMDs granted after passing the course. For example, such users reported or found to use their PMDs recklessly will have to go through safe-riding modules which will teach them or heighten the awareness on safety use for self and other path users. They will then complete a short quiz at the end of the programme and awarded licenses. As a result of this, they are more aware and prioritise safety. Hence, this would cause them to avoid potential danger as make pathway safer for all users.</p> <p>Other possible suggestions: Heavier penalties Public education Compulsory license i.e users must go through compulsory safe-riding course to attain license Encouraging public to report errant users Control the number of PMDs in Singapore Ban PMDs in certain areas where incident of accidents is high</p> | 5-7 |

| (b) Do you think contributing to the needs of the disadvantaged is more significant than shaping policy formulation in working for the good of society? | | |
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| Level | Descriptor | Marks |
| L1 | Writes about the topic without addressing the question | 1-2 |
| L2 | <p>Describes the factors Award 3m for describing one factor Award 4m for describing two factors</p> | 3-4 |
| L3 | <p>Explains the factors Award 5-6m for explaining one factor Award 6-7m for explaining two factors</p> <p>Contributing to the needs of fellow citizens is an important role by citizens in contributing to the good of society because specific areas of needs of fellow citizens can now be addressed as they can pool their own additional resources to meet the specific needs. For example, individual Ms Bernice Wong</p> | 5-7 |

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| | <p>befriended and inspired needy children from rental flats in Yishun. She did this by organizing activities and even helping them in their school work. She has also invited a few friends to join her in her effort to reach out to these children who often had little guidance and supervision from. <i>As a result of such voluntary help from individuals such as Ms Wong, vulnerable groups in society can overcome challenges and be more positive with the assistance from others in society. Their needs are better met and they would be able to live better in Singapore.</i></p> <p>Influencing government decisions is also another important role as government may overlook certain areas and inputs from citizens would help to ensure policies turn out to impact most in society positively. For example, citizens should participate in public consultations conducted by the various ministries. Some of the ministries have invited public to physically attend such sessions while others would allow public to send in their views online via the REACH website. These consultations included concerns on GST, National wages and zero waste masterplan in Singapore etc. <i>As a result of such involvement from the citizens, government would be able to make a more balanced decisions using data and information provided. This would then make decision- making/ administering of resources in Singapore fairer and effective.</i> Thus, making it important.</p> | |
| L4 | L3 plus weighs the relative importance of each factor | 8 |