Social Sciences: Geography · Grade 4

Memorandum · Term 1–2

TOTAL 68 MARKS

Marking guidelines

1. Award the full mark for a correct answer, even if the learner words it differently.
2. For map questions the answer must come from the map or the key.
3. Where a question asks for an opinion, award the mark for any answer with a sensible reason.
4. Where a question asks for two or more items, award one mark per correct item.
5. Do not deduct marks for spelling, provided the answer can be read.

Question	Answer	Marks	Marking note
QUESTION 1 · Places where we live · 10 marks			
1.1	Four kilometres away = rural; A bus every fifteen minutes = urban; Three schools = urban	**3**	*1 mark each.*
1.2	Shops at the end of the street; three schools within walking distance; a regular bus; street lights.	**2**	*Any two. 1 mark each.*
1.3	Farm: it is quiet, there is space, fresh air, and you can grow your own food. City: shops, schools and clinics are close, there is transport, and there is more work.	**2**	*1 mark each.*
1.4	They must wake up much earlier; they spend money on petrol; Thabo cannot easily stay for sport after school; a parent must be free to drive; if the car breaks down he cannot get to school.	**3**	*Any three. 1 mark each.*
QUESTION 2 · Map skills · 11 marks			
2.1	The key (or legend).	**1**	
2.2	The school = A1; The dam = D4; The houses = B1, C1 and D1	**3**	*1 mark each. Any one house block is accepted.*
2.3	The river and the dam.	**2**	*1 mark each.*

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2.4	East (1); South (1).	**2**	*1 mark for east (houses from school), 1 mark for south (road from houses). Do not accept 'south-east'.*
2.5	1 mark: the key explains what each symbol means. 1 mark: symbols are small pictures or shapes that do not explain themselves. 1 mark: without a key the reader would have to guess and could read the map wrongly.	**3**	*1 mark for 'it explains the symbols', 1 mark for the reason, 1 mark for a clear answer.*
QUESTION 3 · Plans and views · 4 marks			
3.1	From above (a bird's-eye view).	**1**	
3.2	A plan is drawn from above and uses symbols; a photograph shows the place as the eye sees it.	**1**	
3.3	The door; the windows; the desks; the teacher's table; the board; the cupboard.	**2**	*Any two. 1 mark each.*
QUESTION 4 · The world and its oceans · 8 marks			
4.1	Pacific; Atlantic; Indian. 1 mark each.	**3**	*The three largest. Do not give marks for the Southern or Arctic Ocean.*
4.2	Atlantic Ocean (west); Indian Ocean (east). 1 mark each.	**2**	
4.3	Africa.	**1**	
4.4	Any two: Asia; Europe; North America; South America; Australia (Oceania); Antarctica.	**2**	
QUESTION 5 · The provinces of South Africa · 10 marks			
5.1	Nine (9)	**1**	
5.2	Any four: Western Cape; Eastern Cape; Northern Cape; Free State; KwaZulu-Natal; Gauteng; North West; Limpopo; Mpumalanga.	**4**	*1 mark each.*
5.3	Cape Town = Western Cape; Durban = KwaZulu-Natal; Johannesburg = Gauteng	**3**	*1 mark each.*
5.4	Largest: Northern Cape. Smallest: Gauteng.	**2**	*1 mark each.*
QUESTION 6 · Settlements and landmarks · 10 marks			
6.1	A place where people live, such as a farm, a town or a city.	**1**	

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6.2	farm → village → town → city	**2**	*2 marks for the full correct order farm → village → town → city; 1 mark if only two neighbouring items are swapped.*
6.3	A city has many more people; many more buildings, shops and factories; big hospitals and universities; busy roads and public transport.	**2**	*1 mark each.*
6.4	Something that stands out and helps you recognise a place or find your way.	**1**	
6.5	Table Mountain = natural; A bridge = made by people; The Orange River = natural; A church tower = made by people	**4**	*1 mark each.*
QUESTION 7 · The grid on a map · 7 marks			
7.1	To find a place quickly. Each block has a letter and a number, so you can say exactly where something is.	**2**	*1 mark for 'to find a place', 1 for the letter and number.*
7.2	The school = B2; The shop = C3; The dam = A4	**3**	*1 mark each.*
7.3	The letter first (the column) and then the number (the row), for example B2.	**2**	*1 mark for letter first, 1 mark for a correct example (e.g. B2).*
QUESTION 8 · Resources · 8 marks			
8.1	Something from nature or from our surroundings that people use to live or to work.	**2**	*1 mark for 'something we use', 1 for 'from nature'.*
8.2	Water → drinking, washing, irrigation; Wood → building, furniture, making fire; Soil → planting crops; Stone → building and roads	**4**	*1 mark each.*
8.3	Many resources run out or get dirty if we waste them. For example: if we waste water or pollute a river, there is less clean water for everyone.	**2**	*1 mark for the reason, 1 for the example.*

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