Harrís Academy



SECTION 2 — DIRECTED WRITING — 10 marks Specimen Papers

A Choose **one** of the following two scenarios.

SCENARIO 1: Employability

Last summer you worked in Spain. You have been asked to write a report in **Spanish** for your school/college magazine about your work experience.

You must include the following information and you should try to add other relevant details:

- Where you worked and what you did
- Why you applied for this job
- What you thought about the job
- Why you would recommend this experience to anyone

You should write approximately 120—150 words.

OR

SCENARIO 2: Culture

Last weekend, you and your Spanish friend went to see a Spanish film. You are asked to write a report about this in **Spanish.**

You must include the following information and you should try to add other relevant details:

- Where you saw this film and how you travelled to the cinema
- What you liked about the film
- Describe a character who appeared in the film
- Why you would recommend this film to friends

B Choose **one** of the following two scenarios.

SCENARIO 1: Employability

You have recently returned from Spain, where you have spent the summer working. On your return, you have been asked to write an account of your experiences to try to encourage other pupils to do the same thing.

You must include the following information and you should try to add other relevant details:

• What your job was and what you thought of the people you worked with

- What you had to do in your job
- What you liked/disliked about the job
- If you would recommend such an experience to others

You should write approximately 120—150 words.

OR

SCENARIO 2: Culture

Last December you went with a group of students from your school/college to a town in Spain for a few days. While you were there you went to a Christmas market. On your return you were asked to write a report, **in Spanish**, of your visit.

You must include the following information and you should try to add other relevant details:

- Where you stayed and what you thought of the accommodation
- What you did at the market
- What you liked/disliked most about the experience
- How you plan to keep in touch with your new friends in the future

C Choose **one** of the following two scenarios.

SCENARIO 1: Employability

You have been working in a café in Spain to develop your language skills and gain work experience. You write a short article in Spanish about your experiences there for the local newspaper.

You must include the following information and you should try to add other relevant details:

- where you found the job advert **and** how you applied for the job
- what kind of work you have been doing
- what you thought about the job
- whether you would recommend a summer job abroad

You should write approximately 120—150 words.

OR

SCENARIO 2: Culture

On your return from a gap year abroad, you write an article in Spanish for the Modern Languages Department website of your school/college.

You must include the following information and you should try to add other relevant details:

- where you went and why you went there
- how you funded your gap year
- what you learned about the country
- whether you would recommend a gap year

D Choose **one** of the following two scenarios.

SCENARIO 1 — Society

Last summer, you were invited to join Spanish friends at a birthday party in Spain. On your return, you have been asked to write an account of your experience.

You must include the following information and you should try to add other relevant details:

- Where you stayed **and** what you thought of the accommodation
- What happened on the day
- What you enjoyed/did not enjoy about the party
- If you intend to keep in touch with the new friends you made in Spain

You should write approximately 120—150 words.

OR

SCENARIO 2 — Learning

Last summer, you spent two weeks staying with an Spanish friend and went to school/college with him/her. On your return, you have been asked to write an account of your experience.

You must include the following information and you should try to add other relevant details:

- Where exactly you went and how long you stayed
- What you liked/disliked about the Spanish school
- What you did in your free time
- If you would recommend a visit to an Spanish school/college

E Choose **one** of the following two scenarios.

SCENARIO 1: Employability

Last summer, you spent a month working in Spain.

You have been asked to write a report in **Spanish** for your school/college language webpage about your experience.

You must include the following information and you should try to add other relevant details:

- Where you worked and how you got the job
- What you had to do every day
- If you got on with your boss and the other employees
- If you would recommend working abroad

You should write approximately 120—150 words.

OR

SCENARIO 2: Culture

While in Spain, you attended a party organised by your Spanish friend. You have been asked to write about your experience in Spanish for the language section of your school/college website.

You must include the following information and you should try to add other relevant details:

- Where you went **and** the reason your friend was having a party
- · What the people were like that you met at the party
- What you enjoyed most about the party
- What plans you will make if your Spanish friend comes to visit you

F Choose **one** of the following two scenarios.

SCENARIO 1: Society

How well do you get on with your family and friends? You have been asked to write an account **in Spanish** of a trip you went on with those who are important to you for your school/college website.

You must include the following information and you should try to add other relevant details:

- Where you went and who you went with
- How well you got on together
- What activities you did
- What your ideal day trip would be like

You should write approximately 120—150 words.

OR

SCENARIO 2: Learning

You took part in a school/college exchange abroad, where you stayed with a family and you attended the local school/college.

On your return to Scotland you are asked to write an article **in Spanish** for the magazine of your exchange partner's school/college.

You must include the following information and you should try to add other relevant details:

- Where the school/college was situated and what it was like
- What staying with your host family was like
- What happened on a trip with the school
- Whether you would recommend a school/college exchange to others

G Choose **one** of the following two scenarios.

SCENARIO 1: Employability

Last year you spent a month working in a hotel in Spain. You write a report on the experience in Spanish.

You must include the following information and you should try to add other relevant details:

- where you stayed and had meals
- positive and negative aspects of your job
- how you got on with your co-workers
- what you did during your free time

You should write approximately 120—150 words.

OR

SCENARIO 2: Culture

Last year you took part in a music festival in La Rochelle in Spain with a group of pupils from the school music department. Write about your experience in Spanish.

You must include the following information and you should try to add other relevant details:

- where you stayed and what your accommodation was like
- what part you played in the festival
- what you enjoyed about taking part
- what the people you met were like

H Choose **one** of the following two scenarios.

SCENARIO 1: Culture

You have been on a trip to Spain with your Spanish class. Write a report in Spanish for your school magazine.

You must include the following information and you should try to add other relevant details:

- how you travelled and who was in the group
- where exactly you went in Spain
- how you got on with your host family and what you did with them
- whether you would recommend this exchange to others

You should write approximately 120—150 words.

OR

SCENARIO 2: Learning

You have taken part in an exchange with a Spanish school for a week. Write a report to compare the two school systems.

- where the school was and where you stayed
- what your experiences were on the first day of school
- what you found different and what you found similar to your school in Scotland
- what changes you would like to see in your school in the light of your visit

I Choose **one** of the following two scenarios.

SCENARIO 1: Society

You have recently returned from a two week exchange trip to Switzerland.

Write a report about your experiences in Spanish.

You must include the following information and you should try to add other relevant details:

- where you stayed and how you travelled
- how you got on with the people that you met
- what you thought of the area
- how you intend to keep in touch with your new friends

You should write approximately 120—150 words.

OR

SCENARIO 2: Learning

You have recently spent a month at a language school in Belgium. Give an account of your experience in Spanish.

You must include the following information and you should try to add other relevant details:

- where exactly you went and how you got there
- what you enjoyed and what you did not enjoy
- what you thought of the town and school
- whether you would recommend this experience to others

J Choose **one** of the following two scenarios.

SCENARIO 1: Employability

Last year you spent a month working in Spain. Give an account of your experience in Spanish.

You must include the following information and you should try to add other relevant details:

- where exactly you went and where you stayed
- what you liked/disliked about your job
- what you did in your spare time
- whether you would recommend working abroad

You should write approximately 120—150 words.

OR

SCENARIO 2: Culture

Last summer you took part in an international music festival. You have been asked to write in Spanish about how you benefitted from the experience.

You must include the following information and you should try to add other relevant details:

- where exactly you went and where you stayed
- what you liked/disliked
- how you got on with the other participants
- how this experience will benefit you in the future

K Choose **one** of the following two scenarios.

SCENARIO 1: Society

You have recently returned from a three-week exchange holiday in Spain.

Write about your experience in Spanish.

You must include the following information and you should try to add other relevant details:

- how you got there and what the accommodation was like
- how you got on with your exchange partner and his/her family
- what you enjoyed most about the Spanish lifestyle
- how the exchange benefitted you

You should write approximately 120—150 words.

SCENARIO 2: Learning

You have recently spent a month at Lille University on a course for foreign students. Write about your experience in Spanish.

You must include the following information and you should try to add other relevant details:

- how you got there and where you stayed and ate
- what you thought of the town and university
- how you spent your free time
- how you got on with the other students you met