

AM SYLLABUS (2018)

GERMAN

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Part I: Listening Comprehension - (45 minutes) - 25 points

Candidates will be required to answer **17** questions on texts of contemporary German. There will be **two** texts of not more than hundred words each. Items for the first text would have the multiple choice and true/false question format. In the second text, questions should be of the open-ended type. **10** questions of 1 mark each should be of the True/False format and another **3** questions of 1 mark each should be of the multiple choice format. **4** questions about text 2 should be of an open ended type and should carry **3** marks each.

Each text will be read out in this procedure:

- i. Examiner to read the text at a normal speed and candidates listen;
- ii. Candidates will be allowed 1 minute to read the questions;
- iii. Subsequently the examiner will read again the text at a normal speed;
- iv. Candidates will be allowed 5 minutes to answer the questions.

Part II: Reading Comprehension - (1 hour 45 minutes) - 75 points

A text of **400 – 500 words** will be set. Various kinds of tasks will be set and these will be divided into four different sections:

Section A: Vocabulary and Understanding (15 points)

In this section the following types of exercises may be set:

- replacing words or expressions without changing their meaning;
- replacing given words by opposites.

Section B: Questions on the Text (20 points)

Candidates are to answer a number of questions on the text. The questions are to be answered in complete sentences. An exercise will be set stating whether a statement is true or false.

Section C: Structures (20 points)

In this section the following type of exercises may be set:

- rendering direct speech into indirect speech and vice-versa;
- completing sentences using words given in brackets in 'raw' form;
- changing phrases into clauses and vice-versa.

Section D: Precis (20 points)

In this section the candidates are asked to give the gist of the set passage in their own words in one paragraph of 60-80 words.

PAPER III - Landeskunde and Literature (3 hours) (total 70 points)

Candidates are required to answer 5 questions on *Landeskunde* and 2 questions on *Literature*.

Landeskunde:

Questions **1- 5** on *Landeskunde* with reference to the cultural themes listed (vide list) carrying **8 points each (8 points × 5)**.

The objective of this part of the examination is to test the candidate's ability to show knowledge of aspects of civilization and culture of the German speaking countries. **Themes indicated further down in the list are to be taken from the reference books hereunder indicated:**

