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**Wieġeb il-mistoqsijiet KOLLHA.  
ALL questions are to be answered.**

1. a. Identifika d-definizzjoni ta' 'role model' ħażina mis-silta li ġejja.  
a. Identify the definition of a negative role model from the passage below.

Jessica hija influencer popolari fuq il-midja soċjali. Fejn tidhol is-saħħa hija tippromwovi stili ħżiena, tinkoraġġixxi dieti estremi u titfa' ritratti editjati tagħha nnifisha. Il-kontenut tagħha wassal biex ħafna segwaċi żgħażaġħ bdew jkollhom dubji dwar id-dehra fiżika tagħhom u bdew jieħdu pariri ħżiena fuq id-dieta. Ħafna akkużawha li qed tippromwovi standards ta' sbuħija mhux realistiċi, iżda Jessica baqgħet tinsisti li għandha dritt tesprimi ruħha.

Jessica is a popular social media influencer. She promotes unhealthy behaviours, encourages extreme dieting and shares edited photos of herself. Her content has led many of her young followers to develop body image issues and take on harmful dieting advice. Many have accused her of promoting unrealistic beauty standards, yet she insists she has the right to speak her mind.

Jessica hija 'role model' ħażina għax... / Jessica is a negative role model because...

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- b. Identifika **ERBA'** kwalitajiet pożittivi minn dawn li ġejjin li Jessica setgħet ippromwoviet permezz tal-midja soċjali. Agħżel it-tweġiba t-tajba (✓).  
b. Identify from the following **FOUR** positive character qualities that Jessica could have promoted through social media. Tick the correct answer (✓).

L-integrità Integrity		Tieġu ħsieb lil haddieħor Care for others	
In-narcisizmu Narcissism		L-egoċentriżmu Self-Centred	
L-onestà Honesty		L-umiltà Humility	
L-egoizmu Selfishness		L-arroganza Arrogance	

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2. a. Aqra ż-**ŻEWĠ** testi li ġejjin. It-testi jiddeskrivu prattiċi mhux siguri fuq il-post tax-xogħol li jistgħu jwasslu għal ħsara mentali u fiżika. Mit-testi mogħtija, identifika prattiċi mhux siguri fuq il-post tax-xogħol li jwasslu għal ħsara mentali u fiżika.

a. Read the **TWO** texts provided below. Each text describes unsafe practices at the workplace that can lead to mental and physical harm. From the text given, identify unsafe practices at the workplace that lead to mental and physical harm.

i. Martha, 'senior manager' f'kumpanija magħrufa, qed taffaċċja ruħha ma' 'deadlines' mhux realistiċi u sigħat twal ta' xogħol. Ta' spiss qed tkun ma tiflaħx u stressjata iżda mhux tircievi l-ebda għajjnuna minn ta' fuqha. Martha issa qed tmur għand terapista għax żviluppat sintomi severi ta' ansjetà u għeja.

i. Martha, a senior manager at a well known company, is faced with unrealistic deadlines and long working hours. She finds herself constantly sick and stressed but receives no support from her managers. Martha is now seeing a therapist as she developed severe symptoms of anxiety and burnout.

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ii. John ħaddiem ġo fabbrika u dan l-aħħar kien involut f'incident fuq il-post tax-xogħol. Milli jidher, it-tagħmir li kien qed juża kien antik u mhux sigur. Mhux l-ewwel darba li talab tagħmir ġdid u modern, iżda l-manigment dejjem irrifjuta din it-talba. John issa qed isofri ġrieħi gravi f'dahru u qed isibha diffiċli biex jimxi. Din is-sitwazzjoni qed taffettwa l-ħila tiegħu li jaħdem u li jagħmel l-aktar affarijiet bażiċi ta' kuljum.

ii. John works at a factory and was recently involved in an accident at his workplace. Apparently, the equipment he was using was outdated and unsafe. It is not the first time that he has asked for new and upgraded equipment, but management has refused to listen to him. John is now suffering from a severe back injury and has trouble walking. This is affecting his ability to work and to do the most basic daily tasks.

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3. Aqra dan il-każ li ġej u wieġeb il-mistoqsijiet li ġejjin.

Read the case study below and answer the following questions.

Maria Alvarez, immigranta ta' 58 sena mill-Gwatemala, marret l-Amerka bl-għan li ssib opportunitajiet aħjar. Mal-wasla tagħha, hija ntalbet tipprovdi aktar informazzjoni dwarha stess. Peress li xi wħud mid-dokumenti tagħha ma kinux f'posthom kienet qed tesperjenza problemi legali u soċjali kontinwament. L-istatus legali tagħha fl-Amerka kien ukoll kwistjoni inkwetanti. Għal din ir-raġuni, ġiet imċaħħda mis-servizzi bażiċi tas-saħħa u l-opportunitajiet ta' xogħol. Barra minn hekk, ma kinitx taf titkellem bl-Ingliż, u dan għamilha aktar diffiċli għaliha biex tikkomunika.

B'konsegwenza t'hekk Maria spiċċat taħdem f'impjegi b'pigi baxxi u b'kundizzjonijiet iebsa. Anke jekk kienet taf li dan huwa ingust, beżgħet titkellem għax beżgħet li setgħet tintalab titlaq mill-pajjiż.

*Adattat minn:publicseminar.org*

Maria Alvarez, a 58-year-old immigrant from Guatemala, arrived in America in search of better opportunities. Upon her arrival, she was asked to provide further information about herself. Since some of her documentation was not in place, she was experiencing constant legal and social problems. Her legal status in America was also an issue of concern. For this reason, basic healthcare services and opportunities for employment were denied to her. Furthermore, she could not speak English, and this made it difficult for her to communicate.

As a result, Maria worked in low paying jobs, facing tough working conditions. Even though she knows this is unjust, she was afraid to speak up because she feared she might be asked to leave the country.

*Adapted from:publicseminar.org*

a. Maria hija membru tas-soċjetà bla vuċi? Agħti r-raġunijiet għat-tweġiba tiegħek.

a. Is Maria a voiceless member of society? Give reasons for your answer.

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- b. Carlos DeLuna nstab ħati ingustament għal reat li ma wettaqx. Spjega l-ħtieġa li l-ligijiet jirregolaw l-azzjonijiet li huma maħsuba biex itemmu l-ħajjet il-bniedem.
- b. Carlos DeLuna was wrongfully convicted for a crime he did not commit. Explain the need for laws to regulate the actions intended to end human life.

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- ċ. Identifika **ŻEWĠ** azzjonijiet oħra minn dawn li ġejjin li jtemmu ħajjet il-bniedem. Agħżel it-twegiba t-tajba (✓).
- c. Identify from the following **TWO** other actions other than capital punishment that end human life. Tick the correct answer (✓).

Il-Propjetà Property		L-ewtanasje Euthanasia	
L-Anti-Diskriminazzjoni Anti-Discrimination		Il-ħajja Assistita Assisted Living	
L-abort Abortion		L-ordni pubblika Public Order	

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- d. Spjega l-ħtieġa għal-ligijiet biex jirregolaw il-bijoteknoloġiji.
- d. Explain the need for laws to regulate biotechnologies.

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- e. Identifika d-definizzjoni tal-duttrina tal-effett doppju billi tindika jekk id-dikjarazzjonijiet li ġejjin humiex Veru (V) jew Falz (F).
- e. Identify the definition of the doctrine of double effect by indicating if the following statements are True (T) or False (F).

i.	Id-duttrina tippermetti ħsara mhux intenzjonata jekk l-azzjonijiet jimmiraw li jiksbu ġid morali akbar. The doctrine permits unintended harm if the actions aim at achieving a greater moral good.	
ii.	Kull att huwa morali jekk jirrizulta f'effetti pożittivi. Any act is moral if it results in positive effects.	



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**Wieġeb il-mistoqsijiet KOLLHA.**  
**ALL questions are to be answered.**

**Taqsim A – Wieġeb il-mistoqsijiet KOLLHA.**  
**Section A – Answer ALL questions.**

1. Aghżel it-tweġiba t-tajba. Aqta' linja taħt t-tweġiba t-tajba.  
 Choose the correct answer. Underline the correct answer.

- a. Komunità miftuħa hija komunità li hija: i. inkluziva ii. esklussiva.  
 a. An open community is a community that is: i. inclusive ii. exclusive.

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- b. Liema **WAHDA** mid-dikjarazzjonijiet li ġejjin tfisser tolleranza. Immarka t-tweġiba t-tajba bi ✓.  
 b. Which **ONE** of the following statements defines tolerance. Mark the correct answer with ✓.

i.	It-tolleranza tfisser li tweġeb għad-differenzi b'moħħ magħluq. Tolerance responds to differences with a closed mind.	
ii.	It-tolleranza tfisser li taqbel mal-opinjonijiet ta' kulhadd. Tolerance means agreeing with everyone's opinions.	
iii.	It-tolleranza tfisser li tippermetti lin-nies jesprimu lilhom infushom liberament, anke meta ma jaqblux. Tolerance allows people to express themselves freely, even when they disagree.	

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2. Iddeskrivi forom ta' estremiżmi li jwasslu lis-segwaċi tagħhom iwettqu atti ta' vjolenza.  
 Describe forms of extremism that lead their supporters towards committing acts of violence.

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3. Agħti d-definizzjoni tal-valur tal-ħajja fil-kuntest tal-valur intrinsiku u strumentali.  
 Give a definition of the value of life in the context of intrinsic and instrumental value.

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4. Mit-tliet prattiċi li ġejjin, identifika dawk li jirreferu għall-fastidju u d-diskriminazzjoni fuq il-post tax-xogħol. Aghżel it-twegiba t-tajba (✓).  
 Identify from the following three practices that refer to harassment and discrimination in the workplace. Tick the correct answer (✓).

Pagi differenti għal nies minn pajjiżi differenti Unequal Pay for people from different countries	<input type="checkbox"/>	Sistemi ta' feedback trasparenti Transparent feedback systems	<input type="checkbox"/>
Modi miftuħa ta' komunikazzjoni Open communication channels	<input type="checkbox"/>	Timijiet ta' tmexxija diversi Diverse leadership teams	<input type="checkbox"/>
Distribuzzjoni ġusta tax-xogħol Fair workload distribution	<input type="checkbox"/>	Nies b'diżabilità m'caħħda minn impjegi Not hiring people with a disability	<input type="checkbox"/>
Opportunitajiet ingusti ta' promozzjoni minħabba l-ġeneru Unfair promotion opportunities based on gender	<input type="checkbox"/>	Postijiet tax-xogħol aċċessibbli Accessible work environments	<input type="checkbox"/>

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5. Iddekrivi l-karatteristiċi ta' komunità.  
 Describe **TWO** characteristics of a community.

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6. Spjega fil-qosor għaliex ċerti affarijiet tħosshom li jagħtuk valur f'ħajtek.  
Explain briefly why you consider certain things as giving value to your life.

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**(Total: 25 marka) (Total: 25 marks)**

**Taqsim B – Wieġeb il-mistoqsijiet KOLLHA.**  
**Section B – Answer ALL questions.**

7. Aqra dan il-każ li ġej u wieġeb il-mistoqsijiet li ġejjin.  
Read the case study below and answer the following questions.

Tom huwa utent attiv fuq il-midja soċjali. Spiss jikteb fuq blogs u jitfa' r-ritratti tiegħu fuq pjattaformi bħal Instagram. Riċentament, sħabu tal-klassi bdew iħallulu messaġġi kattivi u kummenti offensivi fuq il-pjattaformi tal-midja soċjali. Lil Tom bdew jagħtuh laqmijiet u jinsultawh personalment. Biex tgħaxxaq, kien qed jiġi bbuljat personalment. Kien hemm żewġ subien tawh bil-ponn f'wiċċu u heddewh li jekk jirrapportahom jerġgħu jagħmulu l-istess. Din is-sitwazzjoni kienet qed tagħmlu anzjuż u stressjat filwaqt li bdiet taffettwalu wkoll l-istima tiegħu nnifsu. Wieħed mill-istudenti ra dan kollu u rrapporta lill-iskola. Ftit wara l-bullies ġew mwissija iżda dawn ċaħdu li għamlu xi ħaġa ħażina.

*Adattat minn <https://www.socjalna-akademia.si.com>*

Tom is an active user on social media. He frequently posts on blogs and shares his photos on platforms like Instagram. Recently, his classmates started posting hurtful messages and offensive comments on his social media platforms. Tom was being called names and insulted personally. To make matters worse, he was being bullied in person: two boys hit him in the face and threatened to do it again if he reported them. This situation was making him anxious and stressed while also affecting his self-esteem. One of the students witnessed such an incident in person and reported it to the school. Soon after, the bullies were talked to, but they denied that they did anything wrong.

*Adapted from <https://www.socjalna-akademia.si.com>*

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- a. Tom huwa vittma ta' cyberbullying. Minn dak li qrajt, identifika d-definizzjoni ta' 'cyberbullying'.
- a. Tom is a victim of cyberbullying. From the case study, identify the definition of cyberbullying.

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- b. Semmi **TLIET** forom ta' uġiġh fiżiku jew psikoloġiku.
- b. List **THREE** forms of physical or psychological harm.

- i. \_\_\_\_\_ (1)
- ii. \_\_\_\_\_ (1)
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- ċ. Spjega l-effetti tal-ħsara ta' cyberbullying.
- c. Explain the harmful effects of cyberbullying.

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- d. Iddeskrivi modi kif għandek tghin lill-vittmi ta' cyberbullying.  
d. Describe ways to support the victims of cyberbullying.

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- e. Iddeskrivi mod **WIEHED** kif nistgħu nuru rispettt lejn ħaddieħor.  
e. Describe **ONE** way how we can show respect towards others.

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8. a. X'inh i d-differenza bejn li tieħu ħsieb lilek nnifsek u li tieħu ħsieb lill-oħrajn?  
a. What is the difference between the care for oneself and the care for others?

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- f. Argumenta kif ir-relazzjonijiet ta' dipendenza jistgħu jinbidlu u saħansitra jkunu bil-kontra.  
f. Argue how relationships of dependence can change and even be reversed.

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9. a. Agħti **TLIET** eżempji ta' kif tiproteġi l-ħajja umana.  
a. Give **THREE** examples of protecting human life.

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- ċ. Aqra ż-żewġ testi mogħtija hawn taħt. Wara li taqrahom, identifika l-modi kif għandna nittrattaw lill-oħrajn b'dinjità u rispett.
- c. Read the two texts given below. After reading the passages, identify the ways we should treat others with dignity and respect.

- i. Mary, seftura f'dar, taffaċċja abbużi verbali kuljum. Min iħaddimha ma jħallihex tistrieħ u minkejja li taħdem sigħat twal, taqla' paga ingusta għax-xogħol li tagħmel. Din is-sitwazzjoni tħalliha vulnerabbli u mingħajr saħħa biex ta' xejn.
- i. Mary, a household worker, faces verbal abuse daily. Her employers deny her breaks and despite working long hours, she receives no fair pay for the work she does. This leaves her vulnerable and powerless.

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- ii. Mark, persuna li tuża sigġu tar-roti, huwa eskluż mill-attivitajiet lokali fil-komunità tiegħu. Il-kunsill lokali mhux jagħti kas il-bżonnijiet tiegħu. Il-bankini bla rampi, b'hekk qed jagħmlu l-aċċess impossibbli.
- ii. Mark, a wheelchair user, is excluded from local activities in his community. The local council is not considerate of his needs: the pavements do not have ramps, making access to places impossible.

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- d. Iddeskrivi d-dritt li tiġi ttrattat b'rispett u dinjità.
- d. Describe the right to be treated with respect and dignity.

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- e. Spjega kif tista' tikkontribwixxi b'mod pozittiv f'hajjet haddiehor.
  - e. Explain how you can contribute positively to the life of others.

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7. a. Iddeskrivi sitwazzjonijiet fejn in-nies jagħzlu li jissagrifikaw pjaċiri personali tagħhom għall-ġid tal-oħrajn.

a. Describe situations where people choose to sacrifice their personal pleasure for the good of others.

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b. Iddiskuti jekk il-kuntentizza hijiex relatata mal-ġid materjali.

b. Discuss whether happiness is related to material wealth.

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ċ. Iddiskuti kif l-etika dwar il-kura personali tista' tkun proġett li persuna twettaq għat-titjib tagħha nnifisha.

c. Discuss how the ethics of self-care can be a project one undertakes for the improvement of oneself.

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