Summary report for candidates on the 2014 WACE examination in English as an Additional Language or Dialect Stage 3

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Examination score distribution - Practical

Examination score distribution - Written

Summary

Practical examination
The practical (oral) examination was worth 25% of the total examination score. The mean was 61.39% and candidate scores for the examination ranged from a minimum of 14.84% to a maximum of 97.68%. The standard deviation was 14.14%. The means for each of the three parts of the practical (oral) examination were: Part A: Introductory discussion 74.96%; Part B: Visual stimulus 67.92% and Part C: Course discussion 56.46%.

Written examination
The written examination was worth 75% of the total examination score. The written examination had a mean of 54.87%. Candidate scores for the written examination ranged from a minimum of 2.67% to a maximum of 88%. The standard deviation was 12.77%. The section means were: Section One: Listening 58.10%; Section Two: Reading and viewing 48.12% and Section Three: Extended writing 58.50%.

General comments

Practical examination
Advice for candidates
- As this is a formal examination a formal register is required. For example, using words such as: ‘Yeah, sure thing’, ‘cool’, ‘gotcha’ and other colloquialisms is not appropriate.
- Try to include sophisticated, rather than superficial ideas about the image in Part B. This is an opportunity to show the depth and breadth of your vocabulary and ordering of ideas in Standard Australian English.
- You are reminded to prepare for the examination, but must not rote learn for Part C. This part of the practical (oral) examination requires natural conversation with the marker.