OIB History-Geography oral performance descriptors for 2021

AO1 Knowledge and understanding [8 marks]	AO2a Skills: analysis and evaluation [6 marks]	AO2b Skills: organisation and communication [6 marks]
8 Very good • Extensive, detailed and well-directed knowledge • Very good level of understanding • Demonstrates a "big picture" approach	**6 Very good** • Consistently analytical and evaluative in both talk and responses • Consistently provides valid and substantiated judgements • Well aware of patterns and perspectives	**6 Very good** • Structures talk effectively • Very good responses to questions • Precise use of subject terms; very good expression and delivery
6-7 Good • Good knowledge directed effectively • Good level of understanding • Development of ideas within a firm subject context	**5 Good** • Good ability to analyse and evaluate in both talk and responses • Provides valid and substantiated judgements • Good awareness of patterns and perspectives	**5 Good** • Talk is well structured • Responds well to most questions • Use of terms is accurate; good expression and delivery
5 Satisfactory • Appropriate knowledge • Satisfactory understanding • Ability to use subject context	**4 Satisfactory** • Analysis and/or evaluations are made • Judgements made and supported • Satisfactory awareness of patterns and perspectives	**4 Satisfactory** • Talk has a simple but clear structure • Responds appropriately to questions • Most terms are accurately used; satisfactory expression and delivery
4 Bare Pass • Basic knowledge • Basic understanding • Some elements of subject context	**3 Bare Pass** • Basic analysis/evaluation • Some judgements made • Some awareness of patterns and perspectives	**3 Bare Pass** • Talk has some structure • Some ability to frame responses to questions • Some terms are accurately used; passable expression and delivery
2-3 Weak • Weak knowledge • Limited understanding • Limited awareness of subject context even when prompted	**2 Weak** • Approach is descriptive • Makes assertions rather than judgements • Limited awareness of patterns and perspectives even when prompted	**2 Weak** • Some difficulty in structuring talk • Limited response to most questions • Considerable inaccuracy and irrelevance in use of terms; weak expression and delivery
0–1 Very weak • Very little relevant knowledge • Little or no understanding • Simple statement of a few basic facts in isolation	**0-1 Very weak** • No analysis or evaluation • No judgement, even when prompted • No awareness of patterns and perspectives	**0-1 Very weak** • Talk lacks structure • Has difficulty understanding and responding to questions • Expression and delivery break down

If an overall mark less than 10 is awarded, a comment **must** be written on the fiche, explaining why this mark was awarded.

A 'Very Weak' mark (0-5) should only be awarded in exceptional circumstances e.g. when the candidate fails to attempt one or more parts of the oral examination.

The marking should recognise the principle of 'best fit', e.g. two 'good' marks and a 'satisfactory' mark would be designated 'good' overall.