**HML ab initio language Admissions Test - Marking Scheme**

**CANDIDATE……………………………………………. TOTAL SCORE (/48)**

**Section A.**

**Question 1. What are the main points of the author’s argument? Do you agree or disagree? Explain your answer.**

**Comprehension, summary and response (16 marks) Subtotal out of 16: \_\_\_\_**

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|  | **Comprehension** | **Summary** | **Organization of ideas** | **Response to passage** |
| **4** | ☐ Clear comprehension of all aspects of the passage | ☐ Very effective summary of main points | ☐ Well structured answer | ☐ Intelligent and cogent response to passage |
| **3** | ☐ Good comprehension of the passage | ☐ Competent summary of main points | ☐ Generally clear organization of ideas | ☐ Convincing response to passage |
| **2** | ☐ Gaps in comprehension of passage with some irrelevant material | ☐ Summary misses some key ideas | ☐ Some attempt to organize ideas | ☐ Fair but unambitious response to passage |
| **1** | ☐ Significant misunderstandings in comprehension of passage | ☐ Limited summary showing a number of deficiencies | ☐ Disorganized | ☐ Limited response to passage |

**2. How does the writer persuade us of his point of view? Please give examples from the text to support your answer.**

**(Total of 16 marks available) Subtotal out of 16: \_\_\_\_**

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|  | **Analysis** | **Evidence** | **Expression** | **Organization** |
| **4** | ☐ Perceptive analysis of a range of techniques (even if specialized terms are not used) | ☐ Highly effective and detailed examples indicated | ☐ Expression is precise, fluent and very persuasive | ☐ Answer is complete, with ideas organized very effectively |
| **3** | ☐ Competent analysis of a range of techniques (even if specialized terms are not used) | ☐ A number of effective examples indicated | ☐ Expression is fairly precise and fluent | ☐ Answer is reasonably full, with ideas structured coherently |
| **2** | ☐ Some techniques identified | ☐ Some relevant examples indicated | ☐ Expression is reasonably clear but little or no evidence of more complex vocabulary or syntax | ☐ Answer is a little sketchy; some evidence of an attempt to organize ideas |
| **1** | ☐ Very basic response, demonstrating limited or no awareness of relevant techniques | ☐ Few or no relevant examples indicated | ☐ Very basic expression which sometimes hampers the communication of ideas | ☐ Answer is overly brief and/or poorly organized |

**Section B.**

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| **Question number** | **Marks available** | **Marks awarded** |
| **1** | 3 |  |
| **2** | 6 |  |
| **3** | 1 |  |
| **4** | 3 |  |
| **5** | 3 |  |

**Subtotal out of 16: \_\_\_\_**