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English for Police Examination: General Description

| PART 1<br>Listening<br>(approx. 10 minutes)                  | <ul> <li>Task type: Multiple choice</li> <li>Format: ten unrelated dialogues of about 30 seconds' duration, each followed by a 3-option multiple choice item</li> <li>The candidates listen to a short dialogue, then choose the correct statement from three that are based on the dialogue. The recordings are dialogues between two interacting speakers (conversations, interviews, discussions, etc.).</li> <li>Task Focus: identifying detail, understanding and interpreting information, specific information, gist,</li> </ul>  |
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|  | detail, main idea, function, purpose, attitude, opinion, etc.<br>Marking Scheme: 10 items x 2 points = 20 points   |
|  | NOTE: Each part is heard twice.  |
| PART 2<br>Knowledge of<br>Linguistic Means<br>(15 minutes)   | Task type:       Multiple choice         Format:       18 4-option multiple choice sentences         Task Focus:       lexical         Marking Scheme:       18 items x 2 points = 36 points   |
|  | <b>Topic areas:</b> describing people; describing vehicles; describing property; directions; emergency calls; traffic stops; road accidents; pickpockets; burglary; muggings; fraud; grand theft auto; disturbing the peace; assault & battery; prostitution; controlled substances; identity theft; crowd control; terrorism; homicide; crime prevention; police equipment; police vehicles; police weapons; communications; first aid; traffic direction; patrolling; interviewing victims/witnesses; police ranks; police departments; investigating; searching; arresting; processing  |
| PART 3<br>Knowledge of<br>Language Functions<br>(10 minutes) | Task type:       Multiple choice         Format:       16 2-option multiple choice exchanges         Task Focus:       lexico-grammatical         Marking Scheme:       16 items x 1 point = 16 points   |
|  | <i>Functions:</i> describing a person/a location/a series of events/past events/an emergency/conditions/a situation/speeds; confirming details; asking for repetition/help/agreement/a professional opinion; getting more information; giving directions; apologizing; checking on someone's condition; warning someone; explaining a decision/requirements/the seriousness of a crime; offering assistance; reminding someone; pressing for more information; reprimanding someone; calming angry people; stating possible charges; talking about cause and effect/capabilities/repeat offenders; commending someone's actions; assigning tasks; warning a suspect; reassuring someone; advising victims/suspects; expressing doubt; listing items/pros and cons/choices; accepting a task; disagreeing with an opinion; firmly declining requests; ordering drivers out of cars; assessing a crime scene |
| PART 4<br>Reading<br>(10 minutes)                            | Task type:       Multiple choice – True/False/Doesn't say         Format:       Three short texts (60-100 words each) containing factual information related to the field of police; the first two texts are followed by two 3-option multiple choice questions each, while the third text is followed by two True/False/Doesn't say questions.         Task Focus:       understanding detail, specific information, implication, attitude, reference and meaning         Marking Scheme:       6 items x 3 points = 18 points  |
|  | <b>NOTE:</b> All the texts are related to the specific field of study.   |
| PART 5<br>Writing Awareness<br>(15 minutes)                  | <ul> <li>Task type: A gapped or jumbled text of approx. 200 words</li> <li>Format: Gapped text – a text with five gaps to be filled with either one sentence from a choice of three or, one pair of sentences from a choice of six or, an appropriate word or, information from two short texts. Jumbled text – seven or eight paragraphs, of which five are to be organized into a text.</li> <li>Task Focus: Recognition of writing features and language as required in their field of studies.</li> <li>Marking Scheme: 5 items x 2 points = 10 points</li> <li>NOTE: The candidate may be asked to complete an officer's notes, a police bulletin, a stolen vehicle report, a stolen property report, a lost property form, an emergency response record,</li> </ul>  |
|  | a traffic ticket, an accident report, a dispatch report, a witness statement, a search summary,<br>an arrest report, an arrestee intake form, a processing report, a newspaper article, a captain's<br>orders, a permit application, an upgrade request form, a police survey or a customer feedback<br>form. This task is based on elements of writing that the candidates will need to produce in the field<br>of police for professional purposes.  |
| Duration: 60 minutes   | Marks: TOTAL: 100 points   |
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