

Examen VWO 2008

tijdvak 2
dinsdag 17 juni
13.30 - 16.00 uur

Engels

Bij dit examen hoort een bijlage.

Dit examen bestaat uit 43 vragen.
Voor dit examen zijn maximaal 51 punten te behalen.
Voor elk vraagnummer staat hoeveel punten met een goed antwoord behaald kunnen worden.

Geef niet meer antwoorden (zinnen, redenen, voorbeelden e.d.) dan er worden gevraagd.
Als er bijvoorbeeld één zin wordt gevraagd en je antwoordt met meer dan één zin, dan wordt alleen de eerste zin in de beoordeling meegeteld.

Let op: beantwoord een open vraag altijd in het Nederlands, behalve als het anders is aangegeven. Als je in het Engels antwoordt, levert dat 0 punten op.

Tekst 1 Land reform

- 1p 1 Which of the following does Colin Kirk plead for in his letter?
- A Landownership should be subject to international rather than national law.
 - B Land taken from religious orders should be restored to them.
 - C Scottish legislation on land reform should also apply in the rest of the UK.
 - D The right to own land should be linked to the obligation to cultivate it.

Tekst 2 Letters: Consuming passions

- 1p 2 To which of the following do Paul Fieldhouse and Helen Steel both subscribe?
- A Responsibility for obesity ultimately lies with the consumers themselves.
 - B Tackling the problem of obesity includes addressing the part played in it by the food industry.
 - C The food industry would do itself a favour by promoting healthy choices.
 - D The media are reluctant to expose the influence of fast-food companies on people's eating habits.

Tekst 3 De volgende tekst...

- 4p 3 Geef van elk van de volgende beweringen aan of deze met betrekking tot de passage wel of niet juist is.
- 1 Harry neemt, al verkleed voor zijn rol, een kijkje in de zaal.
 - 2 Harry had verwacht dat Francis Urquhart de verkiezingen zou verliezen.
 - 3 Door de spanning vlak voor de opvoering ontstaat er ruzie tussen de toneelmeester en Harry.
 - 4 De veiligheid van de hoge gasten is te weinig een punt van discussie geweest.
 - 5 *Julius Caesar* wordt exclusief voor Francis en Elizabeth Urquhart en hun gasten opgevoerd.
 - 6 Geoffrey Booza-Pitt heeft eigen belangen bij de organisatie van de feestelijke gelegenheid.
 - 7 Het bedrijf dat de kaartjes heeft gefinancierd wordt daar in publicitair opzicht niets wijzer van.
 - 8 Het applaus bij binnenkomst van Francis en Elizabeth komt moeizaam op gang.
- Noteer het nummer van elke bewering, gevolgd door "wel" of "niet".

Tekst 4 Naturally, I'm not so wild about the concrete jungle

- 3p **4** Geef voor elk van de onderstaande citaten uit de alinea's 1 tot en met 4 aan of dit wel of niet ironisch is bedoeld.
- 1 "a forbidding concrete housing complex"
 - 2 "in order to reduce my litigation risk"
 - 3 "the verdant pastures of the subterranean car park"
 - 4 "a red, slinky and very cheeky fox"
 - 5 "the throw-away society's prolific output of rubbish"
 - 6 "entertain us daily with their melodic screeching"
- Noteer het nummer van elk citaat, gevolgd door "wel" of "niet".
- 1p **5** Which of the following fits the gap in paragraph 3?
- A Consequently
 - B Ironically
 - C To be fair
 - D To make matters worse
- "For this is the paradox, is it not?" (paragraph 6)
- 1p **6** Which of the following does the paradox refer to?
- A Damage caused by animals and a lack of effort to prevent this.
 - B Fear of animals and a preference for country life.
 - C Love of animals and abhorrence of their behaviour.
- 1p **7** Which of the following is true of the last sentence of paragraph 6 in relation to the point made previously in the paragraph?
- A It comments sarcastically on it.
 - B It further elaborates on it.
 - C It sheds a different light on it.
- 1p **8** What does paragraph 7 describe?
- A People wanting to live in the wilderness.
 - B Wild animals becoming dependent on people.
 - C Wild animals invading ever expanding urban areas.
- 1p **9** What is the writer's argument in paragraph 8?
- A ICT is causing alienation in communities that were once close-knit.
 - B In the information age work no longer requires people to live in cities.
 - C Modern society increasingly offers room for the individual and for personal choice.
 - D Pollution and hectic city life are driving people to the countryside.

- 1p **10** Which of the following is/are in line with paragraph 9?
- 1 Progress has led to a desire for the familiarity of the past.
 - 2 People are willing to exchange prosperity for a materially sober way of life.
- A** Only 1.
B Only 2.
C Both 1 and 2.
D Neither 1 nor 2.

“But here is another paradox.” (alinea 10)

- 1p **11** Uit welke twee delen bestaat deze paradox?
- 1p **12** Which of the following is true of paragraphs 11 and 12?
- A** They emphasise that wildlife in Britain is still quite abundant.
 - B** They illustrate that the forces of nature are beyond human control.
 - C** They make clear that only the strongest animals of prey can survive in modern Britain.
 - D** They question the initiatives promoting the more extreme forms of wildlife in Britain.
 - E** They ridicule people for whom small and harmless animals lack all fascination.

Tekst 5 The fall of the Roman Empire

“If Rome hasn’t been saved by its guardian deities, it’s because they are no longer there.” (regels 7-8)

- 1p **13** Wat wordt bedoeld?
Geef antwoord door op je antwoordblad de volgende zin aan te vullen:
Als de Romeinen ... , dan zou het Romeinse Rijk ...
- 2p **14** Geef van elk van de volgende personen aan of hij wel of niet een causaal verband legt tussen de val van het Romeinse Rijk en de aanvaarding van het Christendom.
- 1 Edward Gibbon, de schrijver van *The Decline and Fall of the Roman Empire*
 - 2 Peter Heather, de schrijver van het gerecenseerde boek
 - 3 Ron Smith, de schrijver van het artikel
- Noteer het nummer van elke persoon, gevolgd door “wel” of “niet”.
- 1p **15** Which of the following fits the gap in line 16?
- A** Besides
 - B** However
 - C** Therefore

- “Gibbon’s ... soulmates” (lines 17-18).
- 1p **16** Who are meant?
- 1 “Romans ... cult” (line 7)
 - 2 “pagan commentators” (line 12)
- A** Only 1.
B Only 2.
C Both 1 and 2.
- 1p **17** Which of the following is **not** in line with Ron Smith’s review of Peter Heather’s book?
- A** The book is based on a combination of academic approaches.
B The book makes some sweeping statements on the basis of questionable claims.
C The book turns assorted bits of historical material into a coherent tale.
- 1p **18** Hoeveel argumenten geeft de schrijver voor “Not so new, it seems to this general reader.” (regel 39)?
Noteer het aantal.

Tekst 6 Hedging against the horsemen

- 1p **19** Which of the following is in agreement with what is stated in paragraphs 1-3?
- A** Effective aid to African peasants may come in an unlikely form.
B The famine problem can only be tackled by the countries affected by it.
C The media pay attention to only the most famine-stricken areas in Africa.
D Western countries may not really be interested in solving the problem of famine in Africa.
- “Some kind ... to help.” (beginning of paragraph 4)
- 1p **20** How?
- A** It could be used to help peasants build up a reserve for emergencies.
B It could enable the WFP to provide food when crop failure is imminent.
C It could make agriculture in the third world countries less reliant on rainfall.
D It could make the WFP less dependent on income from donors.
- “Some kind ... to help.” (begin ainea 4)
- 1p **21** Welk mogelijk nadeel van dit soort verzekering wordt in het vervolg van de tekst aan de orde gesteld?
Citeer het betreffende zinsgedeelte.

- 1p 22 Which of the following arguments supports “the scheme’s feasibility”, judging from paragraph 6?
- A Big finance likes to spread its risks.
 - B The scheme can count on warm support in tropical countries.
 - C The scheme would prevent large-scale famine.
 - D Western insurance companies have enough funds to cope with weather catastrophes.
- 1p 23 What argument against the view of “sceptics” does paragraph 7 contain?
- A A civil war may be more devastating than bad weather.
 - B Bad weather and bad government are equally hard to tackle.
 - C The higher its agricultural productivity, the less likely a country is to have bad government.
 - D There are no clear criteria for the quality of government.
- 1p 24 What does paragraph 9 describe?
- A The circumstances in which Ethiopian peasants produce their food.
 - B The reasons why Ethiopian agriculture needs to be modernised.
 - C The reasons why it is hard for Ethiopian peasants to break out of poverty.
- 1p 25 Which of the following applies to the way *The Economist* treats the WFP’s ideas?
- A It is rather critical towards them, bringing up possible problems.
 - B It takes a neutral stand, weighing the pros and cons.
 - C It takes a positive attitude, refuting possible counterarguments.

Tekst 7 Boys and girls wear their political hearts...

Kies bij iedere open plek in de tekst het juiste antwoord uit de gegeven mogelijkheden.

- 1p 26
- A ambiguous
 - B delicate
 - C financial
- 1p 27
- A a medium
 - B an age group
 - C a political brand
 - D a type of music
- 1p 28
- A credibility
 - B musical ability
 - C political prestige

1p 29

- A alternatives
- B good reasons
- C no excuses
- D precedents

1p 30

- A controversial
- B innocent
- C intelligent
- D politically correct

1p 31

- A electronic
- B genuine
- C manufactured
- D standard

1p 32

- A a lack of publicity
- B a lot of musical training
- C a very long shelf life
- D a wide audience

1p 33

- A ironic
- B naive
- C not fair
- D not surprising

1p 34

- A appreciate this
- B do the same
- C have any political interest
- D still listen to their music

Tekst 8 Whaling troubles

1p 35

- What becomes clear about Iceland's government from paragraphs 1-3?
- A It has discontinued its commercial whaling programme in favour of a scientific one.
 - B It has had to take conflicting interests into account when deciding on a whaling policy.
 - C It has reduced Iceland's whaling activities in the face of public opposition.
 - D It is in two minds as to the economic benefit of whaling.

- 2p **36** Op welke twee gronden verdedigt Stefan Asmundsson (alinea 4) de geplande walvisvangst?
- 1p **37** Which of the following becomes clear about Konrad Eggertsson from paragraphs 6 and 7?
1 He has reservations about the government plans.
2 He is determined to continue whaling regardless of government policy.
A Only 1 is true.
B Only 2 is true.
C Both 1 and 2 are true.
D Neither 1 nor 2 is true.
- 1p **38** What is the main point made in paragraphs 8 and 9?
A Iceland has a historical right to resume its whaling activities.
B Balancing environmental and commercial interests has always been Iceland's prime concern.
C Whaling has traditionally played a small role in Iceland's economy.
- 1p **39** Which of the following becomes clear from paragraphs 10 and 11?
A Iceland's stance on whaling is emotional rather than rational.
B International interference has made Iceland's whaling issue difficult to handle.
C The Icelanders consider whaling an essential part of their cultural heritage.
D Whaling has always been a delicate issue between Iceland and Denmark.
- “the two interests” (alinea 16, laatste zin).
- 2p **40** Welke twee belangen worden bedoeld?
- 1p **41** What is the main purpose of the article?
A To advocate restrictions with regard to the killing of whales in Icelandic waters.
B To criticise Iceland's decision to resume whaling for scientific purposes.
C To explain Iceland's dilemmas with regard to whaling.

Lees bij de volgende opgaven steeds eerst de vraag voordat je de bijbehorende tekst raadpleegt.

Tekst 9 Brain scans reveal the secret of revenge

- Brain Scans Reveal The Secret of Revenge (kop tekst 9)
- 1p **42** Citeer de eerste twee woorden van een zin uit de tekst waaruit blijkt wat het “geheim” is dat door hersenscans is onthuld.

Tekst 10 Different shine

“Boot polish jingle blackens Dickens’ tale of woe” (onderkop)

1p 43 Waarover ging deze “tale of woe”?

Bronvermelding

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