

GENERAL COMMENTS

Paper four is a school based component that is centered at school where by the candidates are being given topics of their cultural backgrounds and select their preferred topic. After candidates collected their data the examiner should collect it for marking at the centre and marked scripts would be sent for external moderation. All marked scripts have to be scanned and create a folder in the USB.

COMMENTS ON INDIVIDUAL QUESTIONS

1. Selection of the research topic

Most of the candidates were aware of the general topics where they derived their specific topic.

Most of the candidates demonstrated an understanding of selecting a researchable topic.

2. Introduction

Most of the candidates were able to define their topics. This gave a clear picture that candidates knew the topics chosen.

3. Interest in the cultural topics

Some of the candidates explained what drove them to select such specific topic which is good, while others tried to explain the problem phased during their data collection. Here candidates are expected to express what made them to choose the topic, eg. [Eyi ya tumangeda nge; yininke eyi: yina pumbwa, yina limuka, kumoneka uwaawa, kukeregenyesa ...]

4. Main research objective/questions

Some candidates stated their research objectives well. The formulation of their leading questions towards the objectives was relevant. But, some candidates objectives and questions did not correlate.

5. Presentation of findings

Some candidates were eager to demonstrate the understanding of summing up all the data collected and able to distinguish them in different methods they used when collecting them, that was good. Some candidates they turned to write objective question as headings.

6. Discussions and analysis of findings

Some candidate maintained their research objective/questions accurately, references were made to connect the major points with their own opinions. The progression of the theme was maintained, even though some candidates wrote out of their research topics. Still some candidates showed a good understanding whereby they made research question as headings.

7. Conclusions

Those candidates whose selected researchable topic were able to tell that they got what they aimed in their research, and candidates elicited what they had acquired.