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**MARK SCHEME for the May/June 2011 question paper
for the guidance of teachers**

3015 FRENCH

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Paper 1 (Translation and Composition),
maximum raw mark 60

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General Instructions for Marking Questions 1 and 2

Marks: Communication:	5 marks
Language:	20 marks
Impression:	<u>5 marks</u>
Total:	<u>30 marks</u>

1. Relevance

The essay should, in the opinion of the examiner, be a genuine attempt to answer the question, whether from pictures or rubric. All relevant material should be accepted, even if the candidate has misinterpreted the story or parts of it.

2. Padding

Any material which is clearly irrelevant or deliberately evasive of the subject should be included in the word-count but should be bracketed and ignored in the marking. The word PAD should be written in the left-hand margin.

3. Tenses

Accept either PERFECT or PAST HISTORIC as the narrative tense, **where this is appropriate**. Ignore and accept inconsistencies.

4. Counting words

The definition of a 'word' in the essay questions is any group of letters (including hyphens and apostrophes) between two spaces. Numbers written as figures count as one word. If written as words, follow normal rules. Proper nouns and names count as one word.

5. Titles

Ignore any title supplied by the candidate for both word-counting and marking. In letters, ignore any address and date – start the word count at the prescription.

6. Short essays

These present no problem. They gain fewer ticks.

7. Long essays

The first 150 words ONLY will be assessed for BOTH language AND communication. Put // after the 150th word and ignore everything thereafter. HOWEVER, if the 150th word is part of a following marking unit and is a scoring word, allow it if the unit is correct – Avec // les enfants = 1 Ils// sont partis = 0 Ils sont// partis = 0

8. Marking units

Marking units, which may consist of a single word or a group of words, will be ticked, in accordance with the detailed Language Mark Scheme, if all elements are correct. Please tick ABOVE the marking unit ensuring it is clear to what the tick relates.

Please note that mistakes with accents and hyphens are **not penalised**. Please remember not to penalise punctuation errors, including use/misuse of capitals and splitting words (le super marché) and combining them (pendantque). Please see p. 1, para 8 for treatment of apostrophes.

The exception to this rule is the final –é on the past participle of an –er verb, or of être, which will lose the mark – *il est alle* = 0; *il a été* = 0. Similarly, an unwanted – é on a Present Tense will lose the mark – *il resté* = 0.

Please tolerate *Il est allè* and *elle est alleé* (native speakers are frequently vague in formation and placing of accents).

The rule concerning accents will also apply to Qu. 3.

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9. Plus and Minus symbols

If an examiner feels that a candidate has been excessively rewarded (possibly by gaining ticks repeatedly for identical or nearly identical material) or that s/he has not received all the credit s/he deserves (outstanding vocabulary which only gets one tick or a very brave attempt that gets no tick at all), s/he should indicate this with a – or a + in the right-hand margin.

10. Immediate Repetition

No credit is given for immediate repetition. “Mon Dieu! Mon Dieu!” = 1. Repeated use of particular structures or lexical items should be credited each time, but use minus symbol and bear in mind for Impression mark.

11. Repeated Errors

Repeated vocabulary errors are not treated as consequential in questions 1 and 2. Examiners can compensate by using + symbols in the right-hand margins.

12. Scoring

Language: Draw a line across the page after the first ten ticks and do not count these first ten in the total. An essay with 10 ticks or fewer will score 0. Count subsequent ticks up to a maximum of **60** and divide the total by **3** (round up or down to the nearest whole number – see separate scale on p. 9 for reference). This gives a maximum mark of 20.

Impression: The 5 marks will often be awarded in direct proportion to the Language mark gained, but there is flexibility to move up or down, particularly to reflect the + and – symbols in the right-hand margin. Note that, as the ratio is 1:4, it will sometimes be necessary to make a decision as to whether the Impression mark should go up or down. For example, in the absence of other evidence, a mark of 12 would be awarded an Impression mark of 3; 13 – 3; 14 – 3 or 4; 15 – 4 and so on.

Communication: Five marks are available.

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Marking credit points

1 Verbs

Subject (noun or pronoun) + finite verb correct.

L' amie est arrivée = 1; ils se sont arrêtés = 1.

In compound tenses, failure to make the past participle agree will lose the mark, as will a wrong agreement.

Elle est allé = 0 Elle s'est lavé = 0 Elle s'est lavée les mains = 0

La voiture que (1) j'ai acheté = 0.

Please note that a mistake in the noun invalidates the unit.

Ma amie est arrivée = 0 Cet femme a dit = 0

Negative: Totally correct. Ils n'ont pas vu = 2

Verb correct, mistake in negative. Ils n'ont vu pas = 1. Ils ne ont pas vu. = 1

If there is any mistake in the subject/verb unit, no mark is awarded for the negative. Ils n'ont pas voir = 0. Le fille ne parle pas = 0.

Interrogative: Totally correct. As-tu vu? = 2; Tu as vu? = 2; Est-ce que tu as vu? = 2.

Verb correct but no inversion (or no ? after non-inversion in the interrogative). Tu as vu = 1

If there is any mistake in the subject/verb unit, no mark is awarded for the interrogative. A-t-il fais? = 0 Le fille, est-elle arrivée? = 0

Inversion: Totally correct. "Oui", a-t-il dit = 2. Peut-être (1) viendra-t-il ... = 2

Verb correct but no inversion. "Non", il a répondu = 1

Verb is wrong. "Pierre!" a-t-il crier = 0

Interrogative negative: Totally correct. N'a-t-il pas vu? = 3; Il n'a pas vu? = 3;

Est-ce qu'il n'a pas vu? = 3.

Verb correct, mistake in either negative or interrogative: = 2

Ne a-t-il pas vu? = 2 Il n'a pas vu (When there should be inversion or ?) = 2

Verb correct, wrong negative and inversion = 1

Il n'a vu pas (When there should be inversion or ?) = 1

Verb is wrong. N'a-t-il pas voir? = 0.

Imperative = 1. Viens! = 1; Dépêche-toi! = 1 Negative imperative = 2; Ne sors pas = 2.

Verb is wrong. Ne sort pas = 0

Participle (past or present) = 2; (En) quittant = 2; (Etant) arrivés = 2; Ayant quitté = 2

BUT Vu que = 1

Misrelated Participles: En traversant la rue, la voiture le renversa. Credit the main clause, withhold mark from the participle – likely in most cases to be kinder to the Candidate.

Infinitive Il a décidé = 1d'entrer = 1

Il est allé = 1... regarder = 1

Il s'est mis = 1... à chercher = 1

Il s'est mit = 0... à chercher = 1

Il s'est mit = 0... chercher = 0

After preposition: sans hésiter = 1; avant d'entrer = 1.

Perfect Infinitive = 2 or 0. Après avoir parlé = 2 Après avoir parler = 0

Passive by normal rules: Il a été (1) arrêté = (1). Il a était (0) arrêté (1)

Present Tense: Not acceptable as narrative tense.

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NOTES

- (a) **ALL** verbs score.
J'ai = 1; Il n'a pas = 2; Il était = 1; Est-il = 2, etc.
- (b) Il y a (either meaning) = 1; Il y avait = 1
- (c) Identical subject and verb correct score each time. (But minus in margin)
- (d) Reflexive pronoun is part of verb and does not count separately.
- (e) Plural verb with 2 subjects – accept if either subject correct. Le femme et l'homme ont regardé = 1.
- (f) Incorrect subject with 2 correct verbs – tick second verb. Le femme est sortie et a regardé = 1.
- (g) Two Perfect tense verbs with second auxiliary omitted – accept for *avoir*, reject for *être*.
– Il a frappé (1) et ouvert (1) la porte. Il est entré (1) et monté (0) en haut.

2 Nouns

No reward for a noun preceded only by a definite or indefinite article or a cardinal number. A noun will score only as part of a unit. No consequential allowance for repeated wrong nouns.

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| (a) Subject and verb (See 1 Verbs) | l'auto est partie = 1 |
| (b) Preposition and noun (unit correct) | dans le lac = 1
en voiture = 1 |
| (c) Demonstrative adjective and noun | cet homme = 1 |
| Possessive adjective (ALL) and noun | mon ami = 1; sa soeur = 1 |
| Interrogative adjective and noun | quel homme? = 1 |
| Partitive article (du, de la, des, de etc) | de l'eau = 1
des gens = 1 |
| With preceding adjective in plural | de petits chats = 2 des petits chats = 1
de petites chats = 1 des petites chats = 0 |
| Expression of quantity | peu de temps = 1;
beaucoup de gens = 1 |
| (d) Idiomatic omission of article | il était (1) fermier = 1 |

NB Identical combination scores each time as with verbs, subject to justification by sense and examiner's ability to indicate disapproval by using minus symbols in the margin.

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3 Pronouns

All pronouns other than *je tu il elle ce on nous (subject) vous (subject) ils elles* and *reflexives* will score 1 mark each. Correct pronoun, position, order.

(a) Conjunctive (*me te le la* etc) Disjunctive (*moi toi* etc) *y en*. (But *il y a* = 1)
NB Avec lui = 1 Chez moi = 1 Moi aussi = 1

(b) Demonstrative (*celui* etc), *celui qui* = 2 *celui de Jean* = 2

(c) Possessive (*le mien* etc)

(d) Relative (*qui, que, à qui, dont, lequel, ce qui, ce dont*)
Subordinate clauses introduced by *qui* – take the antecedent as the subject:
La femme qui (1) parle (1) La femme que (0) parle (1)
Le femme qui(1) parle (0) Le femme qui (1) est (0) content(e) (0) (No allowance for consequential errors)

(e) Interrogative (*Qui? Que? Qui est-ce qui?* etc) *Avec quoi? Lequel?*
NB Qui (1) parle (1)? Que (1) fais-tu? (2) Qui (1) est-ce qui parle (2)?

(f) Indefinite (*chacun, quelqu'un, quelque chose, tout, cela, ça, ceci*).
Ça (1) m'est (2) égal (1). BUT do not reward in *Ça va* = 1 only
NB Avec ça = 1

(g) Use of *un/une*: (l')un des garçons = 1

NB Reward pronouns each time. Wrong pronoun does not invalidate correct verb and subject.

Il elle a donné = 1 Il a donné lui = 1

Il lui a donné = 2

J'ai vu = 1 Je l'ai vu = 2

If object fem. or pl., PDO agreement is needed for the mark to be awarded:

(La maison). Je l(1) 'ai achetée...(1) (La maison). Je l(1) 'ai acheté.. (0)

La maison que (1) j'ai achetée...(1) La maison que (1) j'ai acheté.. (0)

(As in 1st section of p. 4 Verbs – Subject)

If antecedent wrong, no mark for verb – Le maison que (1) j'ai acheté (0).

Pronoun may score if verb doesn't. Elle lui (1) a donnée = 0

Order. Elle le lui a donné = 3 Elle lui l'a donné = 2

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4 Adjectives

Adjective and noun or pronoun form a marking unit. Whole unit must be correct with adjective in correct form and position.

- (a) un beau jour = 1 le jour était beau = 2 le jour étais (0) beau = 1
BUT Il beau = 0 Il a beau = 0
- (b) une auto rouge = 1 une grande auto rouge = 2
- (c) un jour de soleil = 1 une jour de soleil = 0 (+ in margin) les vacances d'été = 0
- (d) un coup de vent = 1 une jeune fille = 1 un sac à main = 1 un agent de police = 1
- (e) Incorrect adjective does not invalidate unit. Au lac = 1 au beau lac = 2 au bel lac = 1
- (f) Adjective used as noun counts as noun. Les riches = 0 les jeunes = 0

NB Reward identical noun and adjective combination each time, subject to justification by sense and use of minus symbols.

(g) Adjectives based on the past participle of an –er verb should not be credited if the final acute accent is missing.

(h) Comparison: While *plus* TC will now score (See Adverbs, section 6), treat *plus/moins/aussi ... que* and *le plus/moins ... de* as one unit.

Il est (1) plus grand (1) que (1) moi (1). meilleur (1) que (1) moi (1)
C'est (1) le plus grand (1) des (1) trois.
NB Il a (1) le même (1) âge que (1) moi (1).
tel que = 1

5 Prepositions

As part of a unit, all of which must be correct. Identical unit will score each time, subject to usual conditions.

- (a) With verbs sans attendre = 1 avant de sortir = 1
- (b) With nouns au lac = 1 dans la voiture = 1 à pied = 1
de Paris = 1 à Mme X = 1
- (c) With pronouns avec lui = 1 entre nous = 1
- (d) Prepositional phrase au milieu (1) de la rue (1), en train (1) de parler (1)
(at least 3 words) à côté (1) de la rivière (1)
- (e) Voici and voilà voici un ami = 1 le voilà = 1
- (f) Chez ... chez moi/Jean = 1 de chez moi = 2 à côté de chez moi = 2
près de chez moi = 2
- (g) No reward for the omission of prepositions after verbs such as "attendre.

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6 Adverbs

Tick adverbs and adverbial phrases each time they appear, subject to the usual conditions. Include interrogative adverbs: *Où? Quand? Comment? Pourquoi? Combien?*

Adverbial phrases: à toute vitesse = 1, tout de suite = 1 à tout à l'heure = 1
pourquoi (1) pas (1) même si = 1 pas/non loin (1)

Please note treatment of *plus* (Section 4(g)). Treat *si* and *tellement* in the same way:
Il était (1) si fort (1) que (1)

Do NOT tick: *bien, très, oui, non. All other adverbs are credited.*

7 Conjunctions

Tick all conjunctions except *et* and *mais*. Tick the conjunctive *que*. Il a dit que = 2. But que il = 0. Reward conjunctions each time subject to usual conditions.

Parce que: Reject at the beginning of a sentence when it should be *puisque* or *comme*.

Comme si = 1 Comme ça = 1 Comme moi = 1

8 Expressions (time, weather, idioms, interjections, greetings, proverbs etc).

Weather: Il fait beau (etc) = 2 (Verb + adverb) Il est beau = 1 Il fait du vent = 2
Il fait (du) soleil = 2 (NB Treat faire peur à q.n. in the same way)
Il fait nuit//sombre/jour = 2

Expressions using **avoir** (except age): Il a faim = 2 Tu as raison = 2 Il a lieu = 2
Il a hâte = 2 As-tu envie..? = 3 Il est peur = 1. Do not credit if no verb is used; Il besoin = 0.

Age – verb only to score (whole unit correct): J'ai 12 ans = 1 Il est 12 ans = 0
Elle a 12 = 0. Q Quel âge as-tu ? = 2

Time: Il est dix heures = 2 Il est dix heures et demie = 3 A/Avant (etc) dix heures = 1
Il est 10h30 = 2 Il est dix heures et demi = 2

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9 Miscellaneous

un jour = 0	un samedi = 0	merci de la lettre = 2	d'un côté = 1
un beau jour = 1		merci de ta lettre = 3	de l'autre côté = 2
un beau jour de printemps = 2		n'est-ce pas? = 1	à plusieurs reprises = 1
pendant les grandes vacances = 2		peut-être = 1	(à) demain (matin) = 1
l'année dernière = 1		peut-être (1) que (1)	le lendemain = 1
dimanche prochain = 1		s'il vous/te plaît = 1	(à) ce soir = 1
au bout d'une heure = 2		Eh bien = 1	D'accord = 1
une heure plus tard = 1		Zut (alors) = 1	Mon dieu = 1
il y a une semaine = 1		Pardon = 1	Voilà = 1
depuis une semaine = 1		Bonjour = 1	Au revoir = 1
tout est bien qui finit bien = 2		comme d'habitude = 1	tout d'abord = 1
numbers un deux trois etc = 0		en même temps = 1	au même moment = 1
premier etc = 1		en ce moment = 1	a leur surprise = 1
c'est-à-dire = 1		pendant ce temps = 1	à leur grande surprise = 2
à vrai dire = 1		après quelques minutes = 2	heureusement (1) que (1)
je vous en prie = 2		pendant quelques minutes = 2	(deux) d'entre eux = 1
aussitôt que possible = 2		à ce moment (-là) = 1	à ce moment même = 2
à mon avis = 1		depuis longtemps = 1	ça va? = 2 Oui ça va = 1
merci (beaucoup) = 1		le matin = 1 le soir = 1	ce matin = 1
plus tard = 1 plus tôt = 1		samedi = 1 le samedi = 1	ce samedi = 1
		c'était (1) (un) samedi (matin)	(un) samedi matin = 1
Tautology: à mon avis (0) je pense (1)		trop tard = 1	trop tôt = 1
après quelques minutes (2) plus tard (0)		moi aussi = 1	tôt le matin = 1
		peu après = 1	de plus près = 1
For any phrases not covered here, apply		tout près = 1	en plein air = 1
the following rule:		de bonne humeur = 1	en bonne santé = 1
phrase up to 3 words = 1		en pleine forme = 1	même si = 1
phrase of 4 or more words = 2		tout près d'un arbre = 2	de son mieux = 1

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Communication marks

As already indicated, five marks are available in any essay question. We shall look at specific question communication points in more detail at the Coordination Meeting, but, in general, the principle to be followed is that a communication point can only be awarded to a statement containing a verb in a recognisable and acceptable tense. Therefore, in Qu 1, where a past narrative is required, “*Le chien chasse le chat*” would not score for Communication. For past tense narrative, please accept (**for Communication only**) the Imperfect and Pluperfect as well as the Perfect and Past Historic). If a Future is required, please accept the Conditional as well. In the context of Communication, please accept minor spelling errors which do not affect a correct phonetic rendition – *Je m’apelle (sic) = 1, Elle courais (sic) = 1*. Accept - *ait* for - *aient* and vice versa. Reject *et* for *est* and *ons/ont* for *on*. Where compound tenses are used, please accept, provided it is phonetically correct, the use of auxiliary *avoir* in place of *être* plus phonetically reasonable past participles (inc the infinitive of an –er verb, but not the second person plural). Ignore past participle agreement in this context. Do not accept *être* when *avoir* should be used. For the Immediate Future, accept *Je vais allé*, but NOT *Je vais allez/allais*. The following grammatically incorrect forms would therefore qualify for a Communication mark:

Les animaux ont parti. Elle as été contente
La femme a rapporter le chien.

The following would NOT score for Communication:

Ils a couru J’ai faire Il a donnez La femme est crié

Do NOT accept total omission of auxiliary or muddled tenses:

La femme téléphoné. Elle a parlait au père.

For Communication, at least 5 of the pictures must be covered. Accept any statement that conforms to the above criteria on the basis of one per picture. Any point relevant to any aspect of each picture may be rewarded, but no more than one point can be gained for each picture reference. Please note that, as stated earlier, all Communication must be achieved within 150 words; we take nothing into account after that point.

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Instructions for Marking Question 2

In general, the instructions for marking Question 1 apply equally to Question 2. The following additional points need to be made.

- (a) **Letter.** *Tu* must be used as it is cued in the rubric. The use of *vous* should be penalised twice only then ignored. Indicate with V1 and V2.

Do not accept the Past Historic as the narrative tense. Penalise (by not ticking) twice only, then ignore. Indicate with T1 and T2.

Start the word count after the given opening phrase. Include the closing *formules* in the count and reward as normal for language if they are appropriate to a maximum of 3 ticks.

The lay-out for this question should theoretically preclude irrelevant preamble and stock openings.

- (b) **Dialogue.** Start the word count and marking after the given opening phrase. Ignore any narrative at any point in the answer and exclude from the count. Accept either *tu* or *vous* when addressing one only of the parents. Deal with inconsistency as in Qu 2a.

Please also treat tenses as in the second para of Qu 2a.

- (c) **Narrative.** Allow either PERFECT or PAST HISTORIC as the narrative tense and do not penalise inconsistency.

Start the word count and the marking after the given opening phrase. Do not accept any unwanted preamble.

Communication: Award one Communication point for an acceptable reference (as defined by the "Communication" rules on p 8) to each of the points set out in the rubrics. In all the questions there are 5 rubric points. As for Qu 1, all communication must be achieved within 150 words for any of the Qu 2 essays.

Copying from the rubrics.

Qu. 1: The words CHIEN PERDU are given. Credit CHIEN in a scoring unit. Do not credit PERDU.

Qu. 2: Possibilities for using scoring units from the rubric are very limited.

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Number of ticks: Max 60	Mark out of 20	Impression: Max 5
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56–58	19	5
53–55	18	4/5
50–52	17	4
47–49	16	4
44–46	15	4
41–43	14	$\frac{3}{4}$
38–40	13	3
35–37	12	3
32–34	11	3
29–31	10	2/3
26–28	9	2
23–25	8	2
20–22	7	2
17–19	6	1/2
14–16	5	1
11–13	4	1
8–10	3	1
5–7	2	0/1
2–4	1	0
0–1	0	0

NB Impression Mark – please see p.3 para 12.

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Instructions for Marking Question 3

- 1 Each of the five sections (A to E) is divided into **14** Marking Groups as shown in the detailed Mark Scheme. Each Marking Group carries one mark which can be awarded up to a maximum of **12** in each of the five sections. Therefore, in each section, 2 errors can be made without penalty.
- 2 Tick each correct Marking Group. There is no need to underline errors, nor to add them up. There are no tolerances; the Marking Group must be correct within the definition given in General Instructions, para 8.
- 3 Repeated errors of vocabulary must not be penalised. Grammatical errors must be penalised each time they occur, even when they are identical with an error already penalised.
- 4 If an examiner decides to accept a version not on the scheme, s/he must put a D in the left-hand margin.
- 5 Do not penalise:
 - (a) consequential errors, except of tenses.
 - (b) failure to keep sections separate.
 - (c) faulty punctuation. (See General Instructions for Qu. 1 and Qu. 2, para 8)
 - (d) accent errors except for –é on a past participle. (“ “ “)
 - (e) words added, unless they contain errors or change the sense of the original text.
- 6 Consequential errors: In the Prose, we should not penalise anything which appears on the Mark Scheme even if it is not consequential following an error made by the Candidate. Thus:

Il monta (1)/ dans la taxi (0)/ qui est parti (1)
qui est partie (1)
La chien noire (0)/ est beau (1)
belle (1)
- 7 Allow the PERFECT or PAST HISTORIC as the narrative tense. Do not penalise inconsistency.

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	ACCEPT	REJECT
1 My brother J went to France	Mon frère John alla en France se rendit partit (Throughout this MS AC Perf for PH)	
2 last June	en juin dernier en juin de l'année dernière	
3 to spend a few days	(pour/afin de) passer quelques jours	
4 with a family	avec une famille chez	
5 near Paris.	près de Paris.	
6 He had been studying French	Il étudiait/apprenait le français 6 + 7 Il avait étudié ... pendant .. = 1/2	
7 for five years	depuis cinq ans/années 5	
8 at school	à l'école/au collège/au lycée	
9 and now	et maintenant	
10 he wanted	il voulait/désirait avait envie	
11 to hear	entendre d' (if envie used)	
12 and speak the language	et parler la/cette langue	langage
13 himself	lui-même	
14 in the country.	dans le pays. au	campagne ce pays

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	ACCEPT	REJECT
1 On arriving home	(En) arrivant chez lui/chez nous/à la maison rentrant	Quand
2 he told us	il nous dit	
3 that	qu'	
4 he had enjoyed himself	il s'était (bien) amusé	
5 and had made	et (qu'il) avait fait	
6 great progress	de grands progrès beaucoup de énormément de	des sing
7 in his spoken French.	dans/en/avec son français parlé/oral.	
8 His correspondent, Pierre, and (the family)	Son corres(pondant), Pierre, et (la famille IGN)	
9 were really	étaient vraiment	réellement
10 pleasant	aimables/agréables/sympathiques/sympa(s)/ charmants/gentils	chic, plaisants
11 and had taken	et avaient emmené	pris
12. him	l'	
13 to many attractions	à beaucoup d' attractions plein d' bien des de nombreuses	Plusieurs sites
14 tourist	touristiques.	

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	ACCEPT	REJECT
1 Three weeks ago,	Il y a trois semaines, 3	3 semaines de cela auparavant/avant
2 Pierre came	Pierre vint	
3 to our house	chez nous/à notre/la maison	dans
4 for the second part	pour la deuxième partie seconde	étage
5 of the exchange.	de l'échange.	
6 It was his first visit here	C'était sa première visite ici	
7 and he was interested	et il s'intéressait était intéressé (+ par in 8)	
8 in the differences	aux différences	
9 which exist	qui existent existaient	
10 between the two cultures.	entre les/ces deux cultures. 2	parmi
11 One evening,	Un soir,	soirée
12 we all went	nous allâmes tous AC sortir/partir on alla	
13 to the cinema	au cinéma	
14 and watched a film in English.	et regardâmes un film en anglais. vîmes	pour regarder un film anglais

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1 After leaving (the cinema)	Après avoir quitté (le cinéma – IGN) Ayant (AC sortir/partir)	En
2 we decided	nous décidâmes on	
3 to drink	de boire/prendre	
4 a glass of lemonade	un verre de limonade/citronnade	une limonade TC
5 in the local café	dans le café local au bistro(t) du quartier/coin bar	cafétéria un
6 where	où	
7 we found	nous (re)trouvâmes AC (l')on ...	
8 several friends	plusieurs ami(e)s/copains/copines/camarades	potes quelques
9 that	que	
10 we had met	nous avions rencontré(e)s	
11 the day before.	la veille. le jour précédent le jour d'avant	journée jour avant (avant) hier
12 We talked about the film	Nous parlâmes du film On parla au sujet à propos	
13 which everyone	que tout le monde	
14 had liked.	avait aimé. apprécié.	

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	ACCEPT	REJECT
1 I think	Je pense/crois Je trouve/J'estime Il me semble A mon avis (no "qu' " in 2)	
2 that it is very important	qu'il est très important (Tol. c'est)	
3 to know	de connaître/rencontrer	
4 young people	des jeunes (gens) les (personnes)	
5 of other nationalities.	d'autres nationalités. de différentes nationalités de nationalités différentes	des
6 Their ideas are	Leurs idées sont	
7 very interesting	très intéressantes fort/vraiment	
8 and we learn	et nous apprenons on apprend	
9 all kinds of new things.	toutes sortes de nouvelles choses de nouvelles choses de toutes sortes	types
10 Pierre has invited me	Pierre m'a invité	P.H.
11 to visit him	à lui rendre visite le visiter	
12 so John and I	alors/donc John et moi	
13 will go there	(nous) (y) irons (là-bas) (AC Imm Fut)	partir
14 soon.	bientôt/sous peu.	