Candidate D

Section A

The picture shows a large group of people and a couple of dogs.

The candidate describes the people well although doesn’t do a lot more. The picture is actually quite boring and beyond such descriptions doesn’t offer a lot more.

His responses here are quite simple, lacking initiative at times. However, he does get a lot better especially when he focuses on the missing grandfather.

His range of language is good, könnte, er hat getragen, relative pronouns, the use of a passive.

He struggles a little with the response about a friend but again improves when question changed.

For this section he achieves the following marks:

*Presentation and Discussion:*

Communicates with quite a lot of detail and little prompting required. Good ideas and opinions quite well developed. 8

*Knowledge and Application of Language:*

A wide range of appropriate structures used 5

*Accuracy:*

Many examples of accurate verbs, adjectives etc. Very good pronunciation. 5

Section B

The second part continues to show a very good level of accuracy but a somewhat noticeable lack in initiative by the candidate

The fact that he spent a year in Germany may explain his excellent level of accuracy and a very impressive accent. He also uses some impressive idiomatic language here such as um den heißen Brei herumreden.

When asked to describe his favourite teacher he does it with competence but could develop it further.

The section about school uniform is done very well.

Section C

He describes how he achieved his pilot’s licence well but once again doesn’t take the initiative to develop answers further.

The long section about the film The Descendants shows how capable the candidate is but because of his unwillingness to develop answers fully he finds himself on the A\* boundary rather than right up at the top. Potentially he could probably get full marks.

For Sections B and C he achieves the following marks:

*Presentation and Discussion:*

Communicates with quite a lot of detail and little prompting required. Good ideas and opinions quite well developed. 8

*Knowledge and Application of Language:*

A wide range of appropriate structures used 5

*Accuracy:*

Many examples of accurate verbs, adjectives etc. Very good pronunciation. 5

Total 36