Sample Marking Scheme to Accompany an Assessment Brief

Component Title: Social Studies

Component Code: 5N1370

Level: 5

Assessment Technique: Project

Weighting: 50% = 100 marks

Title: Investigating the experience of discrimination/ discriminating practices on one group

in contemporary Irish Society and the impact on that group of the discrimination

Assessment Criteria	Maximum Mark	Learner Mark
Planning and presentation:	15	
 Clear identification of theme chosen. 	1	
Coherent plan outlining approach to be taken		
Duration of time available and timeline to be followed	1	
 Type of research to be undertaken 	1	
 Indication of survey methods to be employed 	1	
 Structure includes contents page, page numbers and headings. 		
 Contents page 	.25	
o Page numbers	.25	
o headings	.5	
 Use of appropriate methods and sources. 		
 Design of the tools necessary to apply survey methods 	3	
 Application of these survey methods as investigative strategies 	3	
 Sources clearly acknowledged, bibliography included. 		
 Sources clearly acknowledged in all instances 	1	
 Use of the Harvard system of referencing 	1	
 Bibliography included 	1	
Bibliography meladed Bibliography well constructed	1	
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Content:	30	
 Clear identification and discussion of key issues. 		
 Identification of 2 key issues of discrimination/discriminating 	2*5 marks	
practices		
 Discussion of these key issues 	2*5 marks	
 Theoretical concepts explored. 		
 Identification of theoretical concepts associated with Social 	2	
Studies that can be applied to a study of the identified group		
 Evidence of application of knowledge of these concepts to this 	3	
project content		
 Demonstration of insight into lives of people in contemporary society 	2	
 Insight into the lives of people in this group in Irish society 		

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 Appropriate use of primary and secondary research. 		
 Use of primary/secondary research 	2	
 Summary of the differences between primary and secondary 	2	
research		
 Summary of the differences between qualitative and 	2	
quantitative methods		
 Chosen research technique applied appropriately. 		
 Selection of appropriate research technique 	3	
 Evidence of research being undertaken 	3	
 Range of media sources used. 		
 Selection of appropriate media source 	3	
 Correct use of a minimum of 2 media sources 	3	
 Findings presented clearly. 		
 Inclusion of appropriate cover sheet 	2	
 Word-processed work 	2	
 1.5 line spacing 	2	
o 12 pt Arial	2	
Report compiled systematically.		
 Structure appropriate to a report 	3	
 Report presented in adherence to documented plan 	1	
Analysis:	25	
 Evidence examined objectively making references to sources. 		
 Objectivity demonstrated 	2	
Reference to sources included	2	
 Evidence of an in-depth understanding of the subject matter 	1	
 Detailed, coherent and focused evidence presented 	1	
Evidence of initiative and independence	1	
Evidence of evaluation skills		
Inferences are drawn logically from foregoing material.		
 Draw logical inferences from research findings 	4	
Evidence of reflective thinking	4	
Conclusions show evidence of critical thinking.		
 Evidence of analysis of research in drawing conclusions 	4	
 Possible strategies to alleviate discrimination expressed 	4	
Reflection and evaluation of the learning process.		
 Personal thoughts of the learner are expressed 	1	
Sub Total	100	
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