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a. What are the good qualities you see in Greta Thunberg that make her a role model? Explain why these qualities are important. Answer in about 40 words. (5)
b. Greta Thunberg is seen as a role model by millions of followers around the world. This carries certain moral responsibilities for her. What does it mean to be morally responsible, and in what ways are role models morally responsible for their actions and behaviour? Answer in about 40 words. (5)
c. Greta Thunberg identifies Malala Yousafzai, another young activist, as her role model. Discuss how role models influence our personal growth. Write your answer in about 40 words. (5)
d. Greta Thunberg is seen as a character filled with moral courage, and she stands strong by her principles. Explain the importance of these concepts for a person to leave a mark. (5)

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a. Charlotte's story is a case of bullying. Explain why bullying is morally unacceptable. (5)
b. Why are both Charlotte and the bully harmed by the act of bullying? Explain in about 40 words. (5)
c. Why is it always important to show support and care for others, especially if they are in a difficult situation like Charlotte was in? (5)
d. Improving oneself (self-improvement) is one possible way to deal with incidents of bullying. Discuss ways of how one can improve oneself to overcome obstacles and achieve success in life. Write your answer in about 40 words. (5)

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SECTION B

Answer any TWO of the following four questions by writing an essay of about 250 words on each question. Each question carries 30 marks.

3. Explain why over-sharing on social media is wrong. In your answer, discuss the difference between information that can be shared publicly, and information that should be kept private.

4. Aristotle argues that the most important quality to achieve happiness is to have a good moral character. Discuss.

5. What are the ethical arguments in favour and against making euthanasia legal?

6. Discuss the ethical arguments related to animal rights.

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a. X'inhuma l-kwalitajiet tajbin li tara fi Greta Thunberg li jagħmluha żagħżugħa eżemplari? Spjega għaliex dawn il-kwalitajiet huma importanti. Wieġeb f'madwar 40 kelma. (5)
b. Greta Thunberg hija meqjusa bħala żagħżugħa eżemplari minn miljuni ta' segwaċi minn madwar id-dinja. B'konsegwenza li hi ġġorr ċerti responsabbiltajiet morali. Xi jfisser li tkun moralment responsabbli u b'liema modi persuni eżemplari huma moralment responsabbli għall-azzjonijiet u l-imġieba tagħhom? Wieġeb f'madwar 40 kelma. (5)
ċ. Greta Thunberg tidentifika lil Malala Yousafzai li hija attivista żagħżugħa oħra, bħala persuna eżemplari għaliha. Iddiskuti kif nies eżemplari jinfluwenzaw it-trawwim personali tagħna. Ikteb it-tweġiba tiegħek f'madwar 40 kelma. (5)
d. Greta Thunberg hija meqjusa bħala karattru ta' kuraġġ morali u li żżomm mal-prinċipji tagħha. Spjega l-importanza ta' dawn il-kunċetti sabiex persuna tħalli impatt. (5)

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a. L-istorja ta' Charlotte turi każ ta' bullying. Spjega għaliex il-bullying huwa moralment inaċċettabbli. (5)
b. Għaliex kemm Charlotte u l-'bully' huma imweġġgħin mill-att tal-bullying? Spjega f'madwar 40 kelma. (5)
ċ. Għaliex huwa dejjem importanti li nuru appoġġ u rispett lejn ħaddieħor, speċjalment jekk ikunu f'sitwazzjoni diffiċli bħalma kienet fiha Charlotte? (5)
d. Li wieħed itejjeb lilu innifsu huwa mod wieħed ta' kif jista' jaġixxi f'sitwazzjoni ta' bullying. Iddiskuti modi ta' kif wieħed jista' jtejjeb lilu nnifsu sabiex jegħleb id-diffikultajiet u jikseb suċċess fil-ħajja. Ikteb it-tweġiba tiegħek f'madwar 40 kelma. (5)

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a. List **FIVE** good qualities that you see in Greta Thunberg. (5)
b. Why do the qualities in question (a) make Greta Thunberg a good role model? Explain your answer in around 40 words? (5)
c. Why are good role models important in our lives? How do they help us become better persons? Write your answer in about 40 words. (5)
d. Greta Thunberg identifies Malala Yousafzai, another young woman, as her role model. Identify your personal role model and explain why this role model is a positive one and how they inspire you to live in an ethical way. Write your reflection in about 40 words. (5)

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a. Define self-esteem. (2)
b. How do you think Charlotte's self-esteem is affected after this bullying incident? (3)
c. Explain why Charlotte's school mates should have helped her instead of laughing at her. (5)
d. Explain how caring for oneself is important to protect yourself from experiences that cause low self-esteem, like bullying. Write your answer in about 40 words. (10)

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Section B

Answer any TWO of the following four questions by writing an essay of about 250 words on each question. Each question carries 30 marks.

3. a. Mention **TWO** things that should be kept private and should not be shared on social media. Give reasons for your answers. (15)
   b. Explain **THREE** dangers of over-sharing on social media. (15)
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4. a. What does it mean to have a good moral character? (5)
   b. Do you agree that having a good moral character is essential for achieving happiness? (15)
   c. What is the difference between pleasure and happiness? (10)
   (Total: 30 marks)

5. a. Explain **TWO** ethical arguments in favour of euthanasia. (10)
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   c. Explain the doctrine of sanctity of life. (10)
   (Total: 30 marks)

6. a. Define animal rights. (5)
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   c. What does it mean to treat animals with care? Explain your answer. (10)
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a. Iddefinixxi 'self-esteem'. (2)
b. Kif taħseb li s-self-esteem ta' Charlotte ġie affettwat wara dan l-inċident ta' bullying? (3)
ċ. Spjega għalfejn sħab Charlotte kellhom jgħinuha minflok jidħku biha. (5)
d. Spjega għaliex huwa importanti li tieħu ħsieb lilek innifsek sabiex tipproteġi lilek innifsek minn esperjenzi li jikkawżaw 'self-esteem' baxx, bħalma hu l-bullying. Ikteb it-tweġiba tiegħek f'madwar 40 kelma. (10)

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3. a. Semmi **ŻEWĠ** affarijiet li għandhom jinżammu privati u m'għandhomx jiġu mxerda fuq il-midja soċjali. Agħti raġunijiet għat-tweġibiet tiegħek. (15)
   b. Spjega **TLIET** perikli ta' tixrid żejjed ta' informazzjoni fuq il-midja soċjali. (15)

(Total: 30 marka)

4. a. Xi jfisser li jkollok karattru morali tajjeb? (5)
   b. Taqbel li karattru morali tajjeb huwa essenzjali sabiex tikseb il-kuntentizza fil-ħajja? (15)
   ċ. X'inhi d-differenza bejn il-pjaċir u l-kuntentizza? (10)

(Total: 30 marka)

5. a. Spjega **ŻEWĠ** argumenti etiċi favur l-ewtanasja. (10)
   b. Spjega **ŻEWĠ** argumenti etiċi kontra l-ewtanasja. (10)
   ċ. Spjega d-duttrina tal-qdusija tal-ħajja. (10)

(Total: 30 marka)

6. a. Iddefinixxi drittijiet tal-annimali. (5)
   b. Agħti **ŻEWĠ** eżempji ta' meta l-annimali ma jiġux trattati b'rispett. (5)
   ċ. Xi tfisser li tittratta l-annimali b'attenzjoni? Spjega t-tweġiba tiegħek. (10)
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