

**Malay – Group 1**

**The range and suitability of the work submitted**

Overall, all the work submitted achieved the expected level of proficiency. The quality of work is quite commendable.

**Candidates' performance against each criterion**

Generally, performance for two criteria needs to be looked into. First, the research question - quite a number of candidates tend to present somewhat ambiguous research questions. This in turn trapped them into not having a cogent argument. Second would be the conclusion. Many candidates did not conclude based on their research question. In most cases the conclusion is a bit of a tangent from what they propose to argue.

**Recommendations for the supervision of future candidate**

I would strongly suggest that teachers caution their students against using Anglicised Malay. Students should practice using 'real' and original Malay. One example is using terms like 'konklusi' rather than 'rumusan' or 'penutup', and many more of such manner.

I would like to reiterate on my comments above. It is very unbecoming for candidates of Standard Malay to use malayanized English which were converted by applying 'si' to the equivalent of 'tion'. This trendy use is ruining the beauty of the Malay language.