WOODWORK THEORY SG P1

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As last year it is again clear that our pupils have a lack of technological knowledge as a result of Technology in Grade 8 & 9. The use of electrical hand tools has a direct influence on the pupils' knowledge of hand tools. It is also clear that not all schools have the necessary electrical hand- and machine tools.

QUESTION 1

This question was answered averagely to poorly.

It is clear that the learners did not use the option of elimination to get to the correct answer.

QUESTION 2

This question was answered poorly.

- 2.3 Pupils do not know the grading of sanding paper.
- 2.5.1 It is clear that some pupils have never had the opportunity to sharpen a chisel.
- 2.5.2 Many pupils did not know what a Trying plane is or what it is used for.

QUESTION 3

This question was answered averagely.

- 3.1.2 Not one of the 1610 pupils knew what No.2 Morse taper is.
- 3.1.4 The difference between the two processes was reversed by many pupils.
- 3.1.6 Many pupils could not name the different chisels of the lathe.
- 3.2 This question was answered quite well.

QUESTION 4

This question was answered averagely.

- 4.1.3 Many pupils did not draw in Isometric. This caused a loss of valuable marks.
- 4.2.3 Many pupils could not name the joint. This shows that pupils do not study the names of joints.
- 4.2.4 Pupils did not know the difference between a rail and a stile.
- 4.3.1 Many pupils did not know what a tongue and groove joint with a feather was.
- 4.3.2 The requirements of a joint were answered quite well.

QUESTION 5

This question was answered the best of all.

- 5.1.3 Pupils did not know that timber which crosses at right angle, must normally not be glued.
- 5.1.4 Many pupils did not draw in Isometric or free hand. This again caused a loss of valuable marks. Many pupils' sketches were of under average quality.
- 5.2 It is evident that quite a lot of pupils have never used raw linseed oil.
- 5.2.2
- 5.2.3 These questions required logical thinking and it is clear that pupils have many shortcomings in this regard.