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Cambridge Ordinary Level

ENGLISH LANGUAGE

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Paper 1 Writing

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1 hour 30 minutes

No Additional Materials are required.

READ THESE INSTRUCTIONS FIRST

An answer booklet is provided inside this question paper. You should follow the instructions on the front cover of the answer booklet. If you need additional answer paper ask the invigilator for a continuation booklet.

NB: Remember that Section 1 and Section 2 of this paper are worth the **same** number of marks, so you should divide your time carefully between them.

Answer both **Section 1** and **Section 2**.



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Section 1: Directed Writing

You are advised to write between 200 and 300 words. Total marks for this part: 30.

Task

- 1 Your class has decided to celebrate the end of the school year by visiting a place of interest. You are the class prefect. Your teacher has asked you to write a letter to the parents of your classmates to explain your plans.

Write your **letter**. You must include the following:

- when and where you are going **and** details of your travel arrangements
- why your class has chosen this place **and** what you will do there
- how the students in your class will benefit from the trip.

Cover all three points above **in detail**. You should make sure your letter is polite and informative. Start your letter 'Dear Parents,' and remember to add an appropriate ending.

Section 2: Creative Writing

Begin your answer on a fresh page.

Write on **one** of the following topics.

At the head of your essay put the number of the topic you have chosen.

You are advised to write between 350 and 500 words. Total marks for this part: 30.

Topics 2–6

- 2 Describe something that your family owns that you really value and love **and** one thing that you would like to get rid of. Explain why you like or dislike these things.
- 3 ‘All the problems in the world, large or small, are caused by selfishness.’ Do you agree? Give reasons and examples to support your view.
- 4 Write a story which includes the sentence: ‘Because of what I discovered, the return journey seemed a lot shorter and happier.’
- 5 Patience.
- 6 Write a story in which meeting a total stranger changed someone’s life.

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