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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 Recently, an elderly relative of yours fell awkwardly when she was shopping and suffered minor injuries. A young person helped her and then left the scene immediately afterwards. Your relative is very grateful to the young person, and asks you to write a letter to the local newspaper to thank and praise the young person.

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

- the date **and** details of how the accident happened
- what injuries she suffered **and** what the young person did to help
- why it is important to let people know about this incident.

Cover all three points above **in detail**. You should make sure your letter is polite and informative. Start your letter 'Dear Editor,' 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 the neighbourhood where you live **and** the most interesting person who lives there.
- 3 What do you most admire about visitors to your country **and** what do you least admire? Give examples and reasons to support your view.
- 4 Write a story which includes the sentence: ‘When I thought about it, I couldn’t ignore the fact that we had been dishonest.’
- 5 Leisure.
- 6 Write about a brother and sister who are always trying to be better than each other.

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