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**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.

Note: 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.

- You will be awarded up to 15 marks for following the task instructions.
- You will be awarded up to 15 marks for the language you use.

### Task 1

It is your final week in school. Your teacher asks you to make a speech to the school assembly about the event from your school life which you will always remember. (It might be an academic memory, a social event or any other event you wish.)

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

- when **and** where the event took place
- details of what happened
- how the event affected you **and** other people.

Cover all three points above **in detail**. You should make your speech interesting and informative. Start your speech 'Good morning, everyone.'

## Section 2: Composition

Begin your answer on a new page of your answer booklet.

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

At the beginning of your composition put the number of the task you have chosen.

**You are advised to write between 350 and 500 words. You will be awarded marks for accurate use of language and relevant content: 30.**

### Tasks 2–6

#### Description

- 2 Describe a relative's house which you enjoy visiting. (Remember you can describe the atmosphere and the surroundings, as well as the house itself.)

#### Argument

- 3 'The future is about science and technology. There is no place for arts and music on the school timetable.' Do you agree? Give reasons and examples to support your view.
- 4 To have a happy life, it is more important to have time to do what you want rather than to have a lot of money to spend. Do you agree? Give reasons and examples to support your view.

#### Narrative

- 5 Write a story which includes the words: 'The house they lived in as children now looked very different.'
- 6 Write a story about a time when you wanted to do something adventurous but you had to change your plans.

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