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LANGUAGE AND LITERATURE IN ENGLISH

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Paper 1 Writing

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2 hours

You must answer on the enclosed answer booklet.

You will need: Answer booklet (enclosed)

## INSTRUCTIONS

- Answer **two** questions in total:
  - Section A: answer Question 1.
  - Section B: answer **one** question.
- Follow the instructions on the front cover of the answer booklet. If you need additional answer paper, ask the invigilator for a continuation booklet.
- Dictionaries are **not** allowed.

## INFORMATION

- The total mark for this paper is 50.
- The number of marks for each question or part question is shown in brackets [ ].

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**Section A: Shorter writing and reflective commentary****Question 1**

You and your friends are currently volunteering at an important international sporting event that is taking place in your country. You have decided to write a blog about your experience.

- (a) Write the text for your blog entry, using no more than 400 words. In your writing, create a sense of enthusiasm for the event, and encourage others to volunteer at future events too. [15]
- (b) Write a reflective commentary on your text, explaining how your linguistic choices contribute to fulfilling the task set. [10]

**Section B: Extended writing**

Answer **one** question.

**EITHER****Question 2**

Write a descriptive piece about a lake early in the morning. In your writing, focus on colour, light and movement to help your reader imagine the scene. Write between 600 and 900 words. [25]

**OR****Question 3**

You are going to take part in a debate at school about the pros and cons of children keeping pets. Your headteacher has asked you to open the debate by giving a speech on the topic. Write the text for your speech, discussing both points of view and giving your opinion. Write between 600 and 900 words. [25]

**OR****Question 4**

You recently went to a local café which is run by teenagers. You decide to post a review of the café on your blog. Write between 600 and 900 words. [25]

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