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FIRST LANGUAGE ENGLISH

0500/32

Paper 3 Directed Writing and Composition

October/November 2015

2 hours

Candidates answer on the Question Paper.

READ THESE INSTRUCTIONS FIRST

Write your Centre number, candidate number and name in the spaces provided.

Write in dark blue or black pen.

Do **not** use staples, paper clips, glue or correction fluid.

DO **NOT** WRITE IN ANY BARCODES.

Answer **two** questions in the space provided: **Question 1** in **Section 1** and **one** question from **Section 2**. If additional space is required, you should use the lined pages at the end of this booklet. The question number(s) must be clearly shown.

Dictionaries are **not** permitted.

The Reading Booklet Insert contains the reading passage for use with **Question 1, Section 1** on this Question Paper. The Insert is **not** assessed by the Examiner.

The number of marks is given in brackets [] at the end of each question or part question.

This document consists of **10** printed pages and **2** blank pages and **1** Reading Booklet Insert.

Read carefully the newspaper article in the Reading Booklet Insert and then answer **Section 1, Question 1** on this Question Paper.

Section 1: Directed Writing

- 1 Imagine you have read the article ‘New Urban Craze on the Rise’ and are concerned about the positive presentation of urban exploring.

Write a letter to the editor of the magazine, in response to the article.

In your letter you should:

- identify and evaluate the views about urban exploring discussed in the article
- argue **against** participating in this activity.

Base your letter on what you have read in the article, but be careful to use your own words. Address each of the bullet points.

Begin your letter: ‘Dear Editor, I feel I must respond to your recent article on urban exploring...’.

Write about 250 to 350 words.

Up to 10 marks are available for the content of your answer, and up to 15 marks for the quality of your writing.

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Section 2: Composition**Questions 2, 3, 4 and 5**

Write about 350 to 450 words on **one** of the following questions. Answer on this Question Paper.

Up to 13 marks are available for the content and structure of your answer, and up to 12 marks for the style and accuracy of your writing.

Descriptive Writing

- 2 Imagine that you arrive in a large city for the first time. Describe your surroundings and your thoughts and feelings at that time.

OR

- 3 Describe a carnival, parade or procession.

OR

Narrative Writing

- 4 Write a story which ends with some sort of confession.

OR

- 5 Write a story which involves a place underground.

[Turn to page 6 to answer Section 2]

Please write your chosen question number: (Question 2, 3, 4 or 5).....

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