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Paper 2 Directed Writing and Composition

For Examination from 2017

SPECIMEN PAPER

2 hours

Candidates answer on the Question Paper.

No Additional Materials are required.

READ THESE INSTRUCTIONS FIRST

Write your Centre number, candidate number and name in the spaces at the top of this page.

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 Insert contains the reading passages for use with **Question 1** in **Section 1** on the Question Paper.
This 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 syllabus is regulated in England as a Cambridge International Level 1/Level 2 (9–1) Certificate.

This document consists of **11** printed pages, **1** blank page and **1** Insert.



Read carefully the two articles in the Insert and then answer **Section 1, Question 1** on this Question Paper.

Section 1 Directed Writing

Question 1

Your elderly relative lives alone and is considering joining the Homeshare scheme. They think this might help not just themselves, but a young person too. They are determined to remain independent and have contacted you for advice.

Write a letter to your elderly relative, in which you should:

- Explain what you think might be the advantages and potential disadvantages for any young person sharing your relative's house in the Homeshare scheme.
- Evaluate whether you think joining the Homeshare scheme would be a good idea for your relative or not. Give reasons and examples to support what you say.

You should use evidence from the two passages you have read to help you answer this question. Remember to write the letter using your own words.

Write about 250 to 350 words.

Dear Grandma

How are you? I hope everything is alright and I hear that you are considering joining the Homeshare scheme.

If you need company at home and you want somebody to help cook for you, wash up for you and even do the shopping for you, I would advise you to do the Homeshare scheme. It means that you don't have to worry about going out for shopping for food or remembering when you need to start cooking your dinner. It could be as if you had one of your grandchildren at your home most of the time because on shared that a girl named Beth agreed to give up 10 hours weekly to help her 97 year old flatmate and agree to spend at least five nights there a week.

On the other hand, these schemes don't always work out. In fact the flatmates 97 year old flatmate had two previous house shares that didn't work out. These house shares can also make you lazy because having somebody else do all the work means that, you wouldn't need to do anything around the house. This could also mean that you could become dependant on your house share flatmate and she would have to leave eventually.

However joining this scheme could mean that you are getting vital help ~~in~~ which you need at your age and you're ~~are~~ also helping a young adult to ^{they} start their career. It means that ~~she~~ ^{they} can live at your house for a cheaper price than anywhere else in your neighbourhood. Also this is all free for you, you don't have to pay a penny but the house share does, which means you also be getting a new flow of money into your bank account, which could help ~~that~~ fund that new extension you wanted. ~~You are almost~~ It is as if someone is paying you to help give you vital help that you need, and that is very good because on published data, 800,000 older people are going without vital help.

~~However~~ But this vital help is not on offer 24-7 because the house share would also need to live life and they would go out with their friends or might have work which is far away and you have to remember that.

They have family as well. Also not all of these people are nice are they could treat you badly.

In conclusion I think that you should join the Homeshare Scheme, as it will provide you vital help and will also give you a bit more money.

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Section 2 Composition

Answer **one** question in this section.

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

Descriptive Writing**Question 2**

You find a photograph which reminds you of someone or somewhere you used to know. Describe what you see, feel and remember as you look at the image.

OR

Question 3

Write a description using the title, 'The view from the top'.

OR

Narrative Writing**Question 4**

Write a story, or part of a story, beginning with the words: 'Something had changed this time.'

OR

Question 5

Write a story, or part of a story, that involves an argument or misunderstanding between friends.

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

I was at the top of the Empire Sky scraper and I looked down.

There were ~~other buildings~~ skyscrapers towering over the streets like giants searching for prey.

There were children playing in a yard with their Dad, they were all happy and the father stood there laughing and hoping they would never grow up. There was a football game in a park, sweat meandered down the side of a player's cheek as he went to take a penalty, whilst the other players were waiting with their eyes locked on the goal.

As I saw two men approach each other, both looking one had bloodshot eyes and glared at the other man with disgust. He clenched his fist and moved forward, ~~every~~ the other man stood there frozen to a spot and looked at the man approaching him with horror, it looked like he had seen a ghost. The man looked up at me with his anger, so I looked away. The sun shone down at the building reflecting off glass panels, blinding people eyes as they tried to look at these infrastructures.

The roads and streets looked tired and worn out due to the millions of footsteps that they encounter every day. They look like they are screaming for help and repair.

However they lit with lots of dazzling colours and

it was almost as if I was looking a rainbow due
 to the ^{thousands} ~~millions~~ of cars that crossed as I gazed.
 I saw a man eating a ^{delicious} burger from McDonalds.
 The ~~taste thing~~ is. As soon as the burger entered his mouth,
 he ~~was in heaven~~ his mouth ^{was} in heaven, it had been
 craving this for some time and had been answered. ~~He~~
 As when he bit into the burger his mouth went on a rollercoaster
 ride, from being in heaven to wanting more. The fat
 sizzling out as his teeth ripped through the burger. The
 custard and ketchup ~~saw~~ sliding up all down his shirt.
 I leaned right and saw a mother bird sewing through
 the air with worm trapped inside its beak, the worm
 looked like it had given up on survival as didn't move.
 A dark green tree was the home of the ^{baby birds} ~~children~~ which
 looked as if they had only been born today, but straight
 away, wanted food.

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