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Niveau Moyen  
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## Standard level, paper 2

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These questions invite the candidate to consider the Cultural Option “Language and culture”.

1. A barely satisfactory answer will provide some reasons for its argument. One or two examples will be given.

A better answer will draw on appropriate examples in considering the idea that a language evolves to express the culture and experience of its users. The essay will have a coherent structure.

The best answers will demonstrate a range of reasons for the arguments maintained and will support those arguments with examples that are pertinent, precise, and varied. The essays will be well organized.

2. A barely satisfactory answer will consider the idea that a different language gives one a different vision of life. It will provide some reasons for its argument. One or two examples will be given.

A better answer will draw on appropriate examples in making its argument and will have a coherent structure.

The best answers will demonstrate a range of reasons for the arguments maintained and will support those arguments with examples that are pertinent, precise, and varied. The essays will be well organized.

These questions invite the candidate to consider the Cultural Option “Media and culture”.

3. A barely satisfactory answer will discuss the idea that mass media exist primarily to make money. One or two examples will be given.

A better answer will draw on appropriate examples in making its argument. The essay will have a coherent structure.

The best answers will demonstrate a range of reasons for the arguments maintained and will support those arguments with examples that are pertinent, precise, and varied. The essays will be well organized.

4. A barely satisfactory answer will consider the idea that advertising promotes discontent and will provide some reasons for its argument. One or two examples will be given.

A better answer will draw on appropriate examples in making its argument and will have a coherent structure.

The best answers will demonstrate a range of reasons for the arguments maintained and will support those arguments with examples that are pertinent, precise, and varied. The essays will be well organized.

This question invites the candidate to consider the Cultural Option “Future issues”.

5. A barely satisfactory answer will provide some reasons for its argument. One or two examples will be given.

A better answer will draw on appropriate examples in making an argument about the positive and negative effects that one area of technology will have in the future. The essay will have a coherent structure.

The best answers will demonstrate a range of reasons for the arguments maintained and will support those arguments with examples that are pertinent, precise, and varied. The essays will be well organized.

This question invites the candidate to consider the Cultural Option “Global issues”.

6. A barely satisfactory answer will consider the idea that the world is getting smaller and will provide some reasons for its argument. One or two examples will be given.

A better answer will draw on appropriate examples in making its argument. Its discussion of one or two global issues will likely address the idea of growing interdependency or connectedness in an increasingly smaller world. The essay will have a coherent structure.

The best answers will demonstrate a range of reasons for the arguments maintained and will support those arguments with examples that are pertinent, precise, and varied. The essays will be well organized.

This question invites the candidate to consider the Cultural Option “Social issues”.

7. A barely satisfactory answer will provide some reasons for its argument about the relationship between two social issues. One or two examples will be given.

A better answer will draw on appropriate examples in making its argument. The essay will have a coherent structure.

The best answers will demonstrate a range of reasons for the arguments maintained and will support those arguments with examples that are pertinent, precise, and varied. The essays will be well organized.

These questions invite the candidate to consider a Literary Option.

8. A barely satisfactory answer will offer a general discussion of the ways that animals are important in at least two works studied. It will use at least one supporting example from each text.

A better answer will draw on appropriate examples to offer a reasonable discussion of the ways that animals are used in at least two works studied. The essay will demonstrate a good understanding of the texts and will have a coherent structure.

The best answers will use a range of precise and pertinent examples to discuss ways in which animals are used in at least two works studied. Essays will not be restricted to a discussion of plot, but will discuss relevant themes. Essays will be well organized and persuasive.

9. A barely satisfactory answer will offer a general discussion of the use and effects of contrast in at least two works studied. It will use at least one supporting example from each work.

A better answer will draw on appropriate examples to offer a reasonable discussion of the use and effects of contrast in at least two works studied. The essay will demonstrate a good understanding of the texts and will have a coherent structure.

The best answers will use a range of precise and pertinent examples to discuss the effects of contrast in at least two works studied. They will foreground the implications of contrast for theme. Essays will be well organized and persuasive.

10. A barely satisfactory answer will offer a general discussion of the ways that justice is defined in at least two works studied. It will use at least one supporting example from each text.

A better answer will draw on appropriate examples to offer a reasonable discussion of the ways that justice is defined in at least two works studied. The essay will demonstrate a good understanding of the texts and will have a coherent structure.

The best answers will use a range of precise and pertinent examples to discuss the ways that justice is defined in at least two works studied. They will foreground relevant themes and will be well organized and persuasive.