



ENGLISH A2 – STANDARD LEVEL – PAPER 2
ANGLAIS A2 – NIVEAU MOYEN – ÉPREUVE 2
INGLÉS A2 – NIVEL MEDIO – PRUEBA 2

Wednesday 10 November 2010 (morning)
Mercredi 10 novembre 2010 (matin)
Miércoles 10 de noviembre de 2010 (mañana)

1 hour 30 minutes / 1 heure 30 minutes / 1 hora 30 minutos

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

- Do not open this examination paper until instructed to do so.
- Answer one question.

INSTRUCTIONS DESTINÉES AUX CANDIDATS

- N'ouvrez pas cette épreuve avant d'y être autorisé(e).
- Traitez un sujet de composition.

INSTRUCCIONES PARA LOS ALUMNOS

- No abra esta prueba hasta que se lo autoricen.
- Conteste a una pregunta.

Write an essay on **one** of the following. You must base your answer on the cultural options **or** literary options you have studied in class. References to other subjects or literary works are permissible but should not form the main body of your answer.

Language and culture

1. Is it possible to learn a new language without becoming familiar with a new culture? Discuss with reference to your study of this option.
2. Do you agree that it is important to safeguard the world's languages? Discuss with reference to your study of this option.

Media and culture

3. Does the mass media promote positive social values and attitudes in young children and teenagers? Discuss with reference to your study of this option and to at least two media sources such as magazines, Internet, film, computer games and television.
4. In your opinion which media sources are most likely to communicate information that is reliable and accurate? In your answer refer to at least two sources of media studied in this option.

Future issues

5. Progress always leads to positive changes. With reference to your study of future issues, discuss whether you agree or disagree with this statement.

Global issues

6. "Almost all global problems could be solved within a year if our priorities were different." With reference to your study of this option, what are our priorities and why do they prevent certain global issues from being resolved?

Social issues

7. Do men and women play similar roles in resolving certain problems in society? Discuss with reference to your study of this option.

Literary questions

8. Can it be concluded that characters are better judged by their actions, not their words? Discuss this question with reference to at least two literary works you have studied.
 9. Explore the importance of trust in at least two literary works you have studied.
 10. Compare the opening scenes of two literary works you have studied. How do these scenes inspire the reader's interest and expectation?
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