ENGLISH LANGUAGE

Paper 1 Writing

No Additional Materials are required.

READ THESE INSTRUCTIONS FIRST

An answer booklet is provided inside this question paper. You should follow the instructions on the front cover of the answer booklet. If you need additional answer paper ask the invigilator for a continuation booklet.

Note: Remember that Section 1 and Section 2 of this paper are worth the same number of marks, so you should divide your time carefully between them.

Answer both Section 1 and Section 2.
Section 1: Directed Writing

You are advised to write between 200 and 300 words. Total marks for this part: 30.

• You will be awarded up to 15 marks for following the task instructions.
• You will be awarded up to 15 marks for the language you use.

Task 1

You are walking along a busy road and you see a car drive very close to someone on a bicycle. The car almost knocks the cyclist off the bicycle. You are very concerned about the way that car drivers behave towards cyclists. You decide to write a letter to the Editor of the local newspaper to complain about the problem.

Write your letter. You must include the following:

• when and where the incident took place
• what exactly happened, including how the car driver was to blame
• what you think should happen to improve the situation for cyclists on the roads.

Cover all three points above in detail. You should make your letter polite and informative.

Start your letter ‘Dear Editor’, and remember to supply an appropriate ending.
Section 2: Composition

Begin your answer on a new page of your answer booklet.
Write on one of the following topics.

At the beginning of your composition put the number of the task you have chosen.

You are advised to write between 350 and 500 words. Total marks for this part: 30.

Tasks 2–6

Description

2 Describe a place where you go to relax and enjoy some free time. (Remember you can describe the place itself, what happens there and other people you see there.)

Argument

3 Some people say that we learn more outside the classroom than inside it. Do you agree? Give reasons and examples to support your point of view.

4 What are the best and worst things about being a teenager? Give reasons and examples to support your point of view.

Narrative

5 Write a story which includes the words: ‘Two years after they last saw each other, she was amazed at how confident he seemed.’

6 Write a story in which a promise plays an important part.