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FIRST LANGUAGE ENGLISH

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Paper 2 Directed Writing and Composition

October/November 2025

2 hours

You must answer on the question paper.

You will need: Insert (enclosed)

INSTRUCTIONS

- Answer **two** questions in total:
 - Section A: answer Question 1.
 - Section B: answer **one** question.
- Use a black or dark blue pen.
- Write your name, centre number and candidate number in the boxes at the top of the page.
- Write your answer to each question in the space provided.
- Do **not** use an erasable pen or correction fluid.
- Do **not** write on any bar codes.
- If additional space is needed, you should use the lined pages at the end of this booklet; the question number or numbers must be clearly shown.
- Dictionaries are **not** allowed.

INFORMATION

- The total mark for this paper is 80.
- The number of marks for each question or part question is shown in brackets [].
- The insert contains the reading texts.

This document has **12** pages. Any blank pages are indicated.





[Turn to page 6 for Section B.]



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Section B: Composition

Answer **one** question from Section B.

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

Up to 16 marks are available for the content and structure of your answer and up to 24 marks for the style and accuracy of your writing.

EITHER

Descriptive writing

2 Write a description of a shop before and after a busy day's trading.

OR

Descriptive writing

3 Write a description with the title, 'A boat ride'.

OR

Narrative writing

4 Write a story that includes the words, '... I looked around the table ...'.

OR

Narrative writing

5 Write a story that involves finding a letter.





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