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Cambridge Ordinary Level

ENGLISH LANGUAGE

Paper 1 Writing

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1 hour 30 minutes

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.

NB: 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**.



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Section 1: Directed Writing

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

Task

- 1** You and your family recently visited a restaurant for a celebration. Unfortunately, you received very poor service which made the occasion unhappy and unsuccessful. You decide to write a letter to the manager complaining about what happened.

Write your **letter**. You must include the following:

- the date **and** the reason for the celebration
- details of what went wrong
- what you would like the manager to do.

Cover all three points above **in detail**. You should make sure your letter is polite but persuasive. Start your letter 'Dear Sir,' and remember to add an appropriate ending.

Section 2: Creative Writing

Begin your answer on a fresh page.

Write on **one** of the following topics.

At the head of your essay put the number of the topic you have chosen.

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

Topics 2–6

- 2 Describe two things that visitors to your country find interesting.
- 3 Do electronic forms of communication, for example emails and texts, make writing letters unimportant now? What is your opinion?
Give examples and reasons to support your view.
- 4 Write a story which includes the sentence: 'The mixture of amazement and relief on my father's face was something I will always remember.'
- 5 Discoveries.
- 6 Write a story in which a locked wooden box plays an important part.

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