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ENGLISH LANGUAGE

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Paper 2 Reading

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1 hour 45 minutes

You must answer on the question paper.

You will need: Insert (enclosed)

INSTRUCTIONS

- Answer **all** questions.
- 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.
- Dictionaries are **not** allowed.

INFORMATION

- The total mark for this paper is 50.
- The number of marks for each question or part question is shown in brackets [].
- The insert contains the reading passages.

This document has **8** pages. Any blank pages are indicated.

- 2 Re-read paragraphs 3, 5, and 6 and write down **one piece of advice** given by the writer from each of these paragraphs.

Paragraph 3

..... [1]

Paragraph 5

..... [1]

Paragraph 6

..... [1]

[Total: 25]

Section 2: Reading for Meaning

Read **Passage 2**, *A First Tooth*, in the insert and answer **all** the questions below.

From paragraph 1

- 3 (a) What did the baby do that showed she was 'teething'?
- [1]
- (b) What was the writer referring to when she told Mrs Jennings 'that's all right'?
- [1]
- (c) The writer says, 'I did not really mean it'. What do you think the writer was feeling?
- [1]

From paragraph 2

- 4 (a) Explain the difference between (i) what the writer thought would happen when her baby was teething and (ii) what actually happened.
- (i)
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- (ii)
- [2]
- (b) Give **two** reasons why it was difficult for the writer to go to the pharmacy.
- (i)
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- (ii)
- [2]
- (c) The writer says that she 'continued as usual'. Which **one** part of the baby's routine did she leave out?
- [1]

From paragraph 3

- 5 (a) The writer says that she could not bear that 'any negligence of mine should ever cause her harm'. Explain **in your own words** what the writer could not bear.

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..... [2]

- (b) What did 'common sense' suggest to the writer?

..... [1]

From paragraph 4

- 6 (a) The writer went to the pharmacy 'the proximity of which comforted me'. Explain **in your own words** how the writer feels about the pharmacy.

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..... [2]

- (b) The writer thought that her neighbour was unfriendly. How did the neighbour show that she was in fact friendly?

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..... [1]

From paragraph 5

- 7 The writer felt her mood 'beginning to lift'. Give **two** reasons why her mood began 'to lift'.

(i)

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(ii)

..... [2]

8 From paragraphs 2–5

For each of the words or phrases below, circle the letter (**A**, **B**, **C** or **D**) which has the same meaning that the word or phrase has in the passage.

(a) **relieved** (line 12)

A satisfied **B** reduced **C** reassured **D** pleased [1]

(b) **protest** (line 17)

A demonstration **B** question **C** stress **D** complaint [1]

(c) **shrink from** (line 33)

A resist **B** decrease **C** move **D** shorten [1]

(d) **positively** (line 35)

A firmly **B** happily **C** really **D** easily [1]

(e) **drifting** (line 42)

A sailing **B** wandering **C** floating **D** racing [1]

9 Re-read **paragraphs 1 and 3**, which contain phrases about **(a)** the babysitter and **(b)** the writer.

Explain:

- the **meaning** of each phrase as it is used in the passage
- the **effect** of each phrase as it is used in the passage.

(a) 'Blushing, she stammered' (line 4)

Meaning:

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Effect:

..... [2]

(b) 'a mess of gigantic proportions' (line 19)

Meaning:

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Effect:

..... [2]

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