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FIRST LANGUAGE ENGLISH

0500/32

Paper 3 Directed Writing and Composition

February/March 2019

2 hours

Candidates answer on the Question Paper.

Additional Materials: Reading Booklet Insert

READ THESE INSTRUCTIONS FIRST

Write your centre number, candidate number and name in the spaces provided.

Write in dark blue or black pen.

Do not use staples, paper clips, glue or correction fluid.

DO **NOT** WRITE IN ANY BARCODES.

Answer **two** questions in the space provided: **Question 1** in **Section 1** and **one** question from **Section 2**.
If additional space is required, you should use the lined pages at the end of this booklet. The question number(s) must be clearly shown.

Dictionaries are **not** permitted.

The Reading Booklet Insert contains the reading passages for use with **Question 1** in **Section 1** on the Question Paper.

The Reading Booklet Insert is **not** assessed by the Examiner.

The number of marks is given in brackets [] at the end of each question or part question.

This document consists of **11** printed pages, **1** blank page and **1** Reading Booklet Insert.

Read carefully the **two** passages in the Reading Booklet Insert and then answer **Section 1, Question 1** on this Question Paper.

Section 1: Directed Writing

Question 1

Imagine that you are trying to decide whether or not to apply for a university place. A relative has sent you the information in the two passages.

Write a letter to your relative in response to what you have read.

In your letter you should:

- evaluate the opinions and ideas about going to university in the two passages
- explain whether or not you think going to university might be useful for you.

Base your letter on what you have read in the article and extract, but be careful to use your own words. Address each of the bullet points.

Begin your letter, ‘Dear ...’

Write about 250 to 350 words.

Up to 10 marks are available for the content of your answer, and up to 15 marks for the quality of your writing.

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Section 2: Composition

Questions 2 and 3

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

Up to 13 marks are available for the content and structure of your answer, and up to 12 marks for the style and accuracy of your writing.

Descriptive Writing

2 (a) Describe the kitchen of a busy restaurant at lunch time.

OR

2 (b) Imagine your school or college 25 years from now.

Narrative Writing

3 (a) Write a story about fulfilling a dream or an ambition.

OR

3 (b) Write a story using the title, 'The Cancellation'.

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