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### DRAMA

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READ THESE INSTRUCTIONS FIRST

To be given to candidates on receipt by the Centre.

The questions in Paper 1 will be based on the three stimuli and on the extract from Robert Yeo's play *Changi* provided in this booklet.

You may do any preparatory work that is considered appropriate. It is recommended that you perform the extract, at least informally.

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# STIMULI

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- 1 The shape of things to come
- 2 Social networks
- 3 A wonderful surprise

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## **EXTRACT**

## Taken from Changi by Robert Yeo

These notes are intended to help you understand the context of the drama.

Www.papaCambridge.com Robert Yeo's play Changi was first produced in 1996, and is the third play in a series known as The Singapore Trilogy. The previous two plays, Are You There, Singapore? and One Year Back Home, were written in 1974 and 1980 respectively.

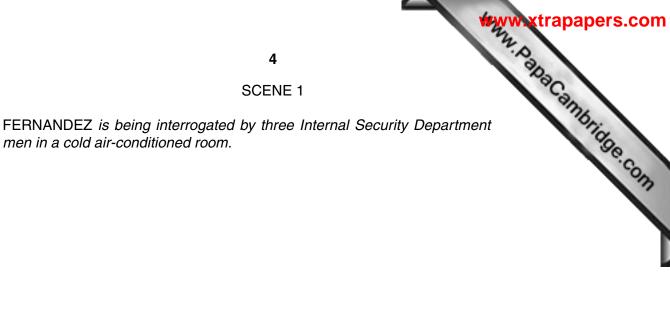
Changi builds on the plot and characters established in the previous two plays. Several of the characters had been together as students in London in the late 1960s: Ang Siew Hua, Ang Siew Chye, Reginald Fernandez, Richard Lim and Sally Tan. At that time, Sarah Aitkens was Richard Lim's girlfriend.

The drama in *Changi* follows the political activities of these characters once they have returned to Singapore in the 1970s. Reginald Fernandez is now an opposition politician with the Workers' Party. Ang Siew Chye is a Member of Parliament for the People's Action Party (PAP), which has been in government in Singapore since the country's independence. At the end of the second play (One Year Back Home), Fernandez had been defeated in the elections by Ang Siew Chye and was detained by security police and interrogated because of his defamatory speeches against the government.

At the start of the extract from *Changi*, Fernandez is again being interrogated about his political activities. Changi prison in Singapore is notorious for having been a Japanese prisoner-of-war camp during World War II.

| CHARACTERS               |                                                                         |
|--------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| ANG SIEW HUA             | A politically committed woman (now married to a businessman, Gerry Tan) |
| LISA ANG                 | Hua's daughter                                                          |
| ANG SIEW CHYE            | Hua's brother, a Member of Parliament                                   |
| REGINALD FERNANDEZ       | Workers' Party politician                                               |
| MRS FERNANDEZ            | Mother of Reginald Fernandez                                            |
| SARAH AITKENS            | A British journalist                                                    |
| RICHARD LIM              | A returned Singaporean                                                  |
| SALLY TAN                | A returned Singaporean                                                  |
| CHAIRPERSON              |                                                                         |
| INTERROGATORS ONE TO SIX |                                                                         |
| JOURNALIST               |                                                                         |
| LECTURER                 |                                                                         |

The play consists of nineteen scenes in total. This extract consists of Scenes 1 to 14, with Scenes 3 and 7 omitted.



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Mr Fernandez, who is suspended from politics in Singapore, returned recently on the occasion of the death of his father.

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