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FIRST LANGUAGE ENGLISH

0500/33

Paper 3 Directed Writing and Composition

May/June 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 passage 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 passage 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 live in an area in which there are many elderly people.

Write a letter to your local newspaper in which you explore how they could be better cared for.

In your letter, you should:

- discuss and evaluate the ideas and the solutions presented in the article
- consider to what extent technology should help in looking after elderly people.

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

Begin your letter, 'Dear Editor ...'

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 a busy port or harbour.

OR

2 (b) Describe a garden or park which has become overgrown and neglected since you last visited it.

Narrative Writing

3 (a) Write a story with the title, 'A Quiet Life'.

OR

3 (b) Write a story about an event you dreaded but which turned out differently from how you expected.

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