



Cambridge O Level

ENGLISH LANGUAGE

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Paper 1 Writing

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1 hour 30 minutes

You must answer on the enclosed answer booklet.

You will need: Answer booklet (enclosed)

INSTRUCTIONS

- Answer **two** questions in total:
 - Section 1: answer Question 1.
 - Section 2: answer **one** question.
- Follow the instructions on the front cover of the answer booklet. If you need additional answer paper, ask the invigilator for a continuation booklet.

INFORMATION

- The total mark for this paper is 60.
- All questions are worth equal marks.

This document has **4** pages. Any blank pages are indicated.



Section 1: Directed Writing

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

- You will be awarded up to 15 marks for following the task instructions.
- You will be awarded up to 15 marks for the language you use.

Question 1

Your cousin got married recently. You helped your cousin to arrange the wedding celebration at a top hotel. The celebration was enjoyable but the hotel made some mistakes. You decide to write a letter to the hotel manager about the wedding celebration.

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

- the names of the couple who got married and the date of the celebration
- what the guests enjoyed about the celebration
- details of the mistakes the hotel made **and** what you would like the hotel to do about what happened.

Cover all three points above **in detail**. You should make your letter polite and informative. Start your letter 'Dear Hotel Manager' and remember to supply a suitable ending.

Section 2: Composition

Begin your answer on a new page of your answer booklet.

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

At the beginning of your composition put the number of the question you have chosen.

You are advised to write between 350 and 500 words.

You will be awarded marks for accurate use of language and relevant content: 30.

Questions 2–6

Description

- 2 Describe **two** very different and interesting animals which live in your area. (Remember you can describe the behaviour of the animals and the places where they live as well as their appearance.)

Argument

- 3 'The world now depends far too much on technology. We are losing the ability to think for ourselves.' What is your opinion? Give reasons and examples to support your view.
- 4 'I no longer believe that individuals can make any difference in saving the environment.' Do you agree? Give reasons and examples to support your view.

Narrative

- 5 Write a story which includes the sentence: 'I spent the day wandering through unfamiliar streets looking for the place he told me about.'
- 6 Write a story in which a sailing boat plays an important part.

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