

Advanced

Writing

Sample Test 1

Time 1 hour 30 minutes

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Do not open this question paper until you are told to do so.

Write your name, centre number and candidate number on your answer sheet if they are not already there.

Read the instructions for each part of the paper carefully.

Answer the Part 1 question and one question from Part 2.

Write your answers on the answer sheet.

Write clearly in **pen**, not pencil. You may make alterations, but make sure your work is easy to read.

You **must** complete the answer sheet within the time limit.

At the end of the test, hand in both this question paper and your answer sheet.

INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES

Each question in this paper carries equal marks.

Part 1

You **must** answer this question. Write your answer in **220 – 260** words in an appropriate style on the separate answer sheet.

- 1 Your class has attended a radio discussion programme about facilities which should receive money from local authorities. You have made the notes below:

Which facilities should receive money from local authorities?

- museums
- sports centres
- public gardens

Some opinions expressed in the discussion:

"Museums aren't popular with everybody!"

"Sports centres mean healthier people."

"A town needs green spaces – parks are great for everybody."

Write an essay for your tutor discussing **two** of the facilities in your notes. You should **explain which facility it is more important for your local authorities to give money to, giving reasons** to support your answer.

You may, if you wish, make use of the opinions expressed in the discussion, but you should use your own words as far as possible.

Part 2

Write an answer to **one** of the questions **2 – 4** in this part. Write your answer in **220 – 260** words in an appropriate style on the separate answer sheet. Put the question number in the box at the top of the page.

- 2** The international college where you study would like to organise a series of events to encourage student interaction with the local community. It has invited students to suggest ideas for this. You decide to send in a proposal in which you outline the kind of events that you think would be most effective, how to get the widest number of students involved, and what you think the main benefits of these events will be, to both the students and the local community.

Write your **proposal**.

- 3** You recently attended a course which did not provide everything that was promised in its publicity. Write an email to the organizer of the course. In your email you should evaluate the course overall, and complain about the inaccuracy of the publicity material, justifying your opinions. You should also recommend the action that you believe the course organizer should take.

Write your **email**.

- 4** You see this announcement on an English-language lifestyle website:

‘Digital detox’

Have you ever done a ‘digital detox’ where you intentionally didn’t use devices like your smartphone or laptop for a period of time?

If so, we’d love to receive a review about your experience!

In your review, briefly say why you decided to do this, evaluate how worthwhile it was for you and explain whether you’d recommend this to others.

Write your **review**.

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