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FIRST LANGUAGE ENGLISH **0500/22**

Paper 2 Reading Passages (Extended) **February/March 2015**

2 hours

Candidates answer on the Question Paper.

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 **all** questions in the space provided. 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 **all** questions on the Question Paper. The Reading Booklet Insert is **not** assessed by the Examiner.

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[Turn over

Read carefully, **Passage A**, ***The Prospect of Gold***, in the Reading Booklet Insert and then answer **Questions 1** and **2** on this Question Paper.

Question 1

Imagine you are one of the original prospectors who came to this canyon from far away 150 years ago.

Write a letter home to your husband or wife.

In your letter you should:

- describe the difficulties of the journey
- explain the living **and** working conditions at the settlement
- explore what the future may hold, depending on whether or not your husband or wife joins you.

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

Begin your letter, 'My dear, it is some time since I have been able to write to you…'.

Write about 250 to 350 words.

Up to 15 marks are available for the content of your answer, and up to 5 marks for the quality of your writing.

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Question 2

Re-read the descriptions of:

(a) the road **and** its surroundings in paragraph 3, beginning 'Almost immediately …'

(b) the effect on the writer of panning for gold in paragraph 6, beginning 'Reason told us ...'

Select **four** powerful words or phrases from **each** paragraph. Your choices should include imagery. Explain how each word or phrase selected is used effectively in the context.

Write about 200 to 300 words.

Up to 10 marks are available for the content of your answer.

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Read carefully **Passage B**, ***Into the Valley of the Kings***, in the Reading Booklet Insert and then answer **Question 3(a)** and **(b)** on this Question Paper.

Question 3

Answer the questions in the order set.

(a) Notes

What did Carter have to do before being ready to embark on his excavation, according to **Passage B**?

Write your answer using short **notes**. **Write one point per line.**

You do not need to use your own words

Up to 15 marks are available for the content of your answer.

What Carter had to do before being ready to embark on his excavation:

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(b) Summary

Now use your notes to write a summary of what **Passage B** tells you about what Carter had to do before being ready to embark on his excavation.

You must use **continuous writing** (not note form) and **use your own words** as far as possible.

Your summary should include all 15 of your points in **Question 3(a)** and must be 200 to 250 words.

Up to 5 marks are available for the quality of your writing.

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