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FIRST LANGUAGE ENGLISH **0500/32**

Paper 3 Directed Writing and Composition **February/March 2016**

2 hours

Candidates answer on the Question Paper.

No Additional Materials are required.

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**, **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.

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Read carefully the speech given by the Headteacher in the Reading Booklet Insert and then answer **Section 1**, **Question 1** on this Question Paper.

Section 1: Directed Writing

Question 1

Imagine you are the parent of an IGCSE student in the Headteacher's school. You **do not** agree with what he has said.

Write a letter to the Headteacher in response to his proposals about the new homework policy.

In your letter you should:

- identify the Headteacher's views about homework
- evaluate how you think his proposals might affect you, your child, and other students and parents.

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

Begin your letter, 'Dear Headteacher…'

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

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 Imagine you have recently moved house. In the attic you find a box containing some objects which belonged to the previous owners. Describe some of the objects you discover and your thoughts and feelings when you find them.

OR

3 Describe a town or village after a heavy rainstorm.

OR

Narrative writing

4 Write a story which includes a pleasant and unexpected revelation about a friend or relative.

OR

5 Write a story entitled, 'The Challenge'.

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