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Paper 1 Reading Passages (Core) **February/March 2018**

1 hour 45 minutes

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 **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 this 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.

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

Answer all questions using your own words as far as possible.

Question 1

(a) State **two** features of the walk which made it difficult for the narrator to reach the mountain lake (paragraph 1, 'There is a lake … ').

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(b) **Using your own words**, explain what the narrator can see as he faces the open country (paragraph 1, 'There is a lake … ').

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(c) Which four-word phrase in paragraph 1 suggests that the water in the tiny streams cannot be seen by the narrator (paragraph 1, 'There is a lake … ')?

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(d) Re-read paragraph 2. **Using your own words**, give **two** reasons why the narrator says the mountain lake is difficult to find (paragraph 2, 'The mountain lake is not easy to find … ').

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(e) Re-read the sentence, 'Scientists suggest that fewer physical differences are to be expected in a small population long isolated from others.' (lines 19–20).

The brown trout are similar in appearance. **Using your own words**, explain what reasons scientists give for this similarity (paragraph 3, 'This isolated lake is fed … ').

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(f) Re-read paragraph 5, 'To celebrate Leo's first trout … '

Using your own words, explain what the narrator says about his experience of painting the trout.

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(g) (i) Re-read the passage. **Using your own words**, explain what the writer means by the words underlined in the following quotations:

1. ‘ … the brown trout, to cruise the dark waters undisturbed.’ (lines 13–14)

2. ‘ … the brown trout always rise freely, as though to reward us for the effort … ’ (lines 25–26)

3. ‘ … admiring the varnished scales of Leo’s first trout … ’ (line 29)

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(ii) Explain **how** the language **in each of the quotations in Question (g)(i)** helps to suggest the appearance and behaviour of the brown trout. You should refer to the whole quotation in your answer, not just the word underlined.

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Question 2

Imagine that you are Leo, the narrator's son in Passage A. You have decided to write a journal entry, describing the fishing trip to the mountain lake with your father.

Write your journal entry.

In your journal entry you should:

- describe the sights and sounds of the mountain and lake
- describe how you felt when you caught your first trout
- explain how these experiences have influenced your attitude to the natural world.

Base your journal entry on what you have read in Passage A, but do not copy from it. Be careful to use your own words. Address each of the three bullet points.

Begin your journal entry: 'I didn't know what to expect when I first saw the mountain lake … '

Write about 200 to 300 words.

Up to 10 marks are available for the content of your answer, and up to 5 marks for the quality of your writing.

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Read carefully **Passage B**, ***A life-changing decision***, in the Reading Booklet Insert and answer **Question 3(a)** and **(b)** on this Question Paper.

Question 3

Answer the questions in the order set.

(a) Notes

What are John Treagood's essential daily needs **and** the difficulties he faces in maintaining his lifestyle, according to **Passage B**?

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

You do not need to use your own words.

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

What are John Treagood's essential daily needs <u>and</u> the difficulties he faces in maintaining his lifestyle?

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(b) Summary

Now use your notes to write a summary of what **Passage B** tells you about John Treagood's essential daily needs **and** the difficulties he faces in maintaining his lifestyle.

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

Your summary should include all 10 of your points in **Question 3(a)** and must be 100 to 150 words.

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

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