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**FIRST LANGUAGE ENGLISH** **0500/11**

Paper 1 Reading Passage (Core) **October/November 2013**

**1 hour 45 minutes**

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 passage for use with **all** questions on this Question Paper. The 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 **9** printed pages, **3** blank pages and **1** Reading Booklet insert.


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**Read carefully the passage *A Mysterious Disappearance* in the Reading Booklet Insert, and then answer all the questions on this Question Paper.**

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**Question 1**

**(a)** Which phrase of **three** words from paragraph one (The following day…) tells you that Christopher is describing events that happened a long time ago?

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**(b)** Explain, **using your own words**, what Christopher means by 'My overall recollection' in line 13.

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**(c)** By referring to the first three paragraphs only (The following day…wind on my face.), give **three** details about the outside of the house in which Christopher lived **and** the area surrounding it.

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**(d)** **Using your own words**, explain why Christopher says that he did not give much attention to the two cars in his drive (line 25).

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**(e)** How was Christopher able to see his mother talking to the three men (paragraph four, Eventually I climbed...)?

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**(f)** Why do you think Christopher says that he suddenly felt 'very young again' in line 40?

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**(g)** Explain, **using your own words**, what Christopher means by the words in italics in the following phrases:

**(i)** 'trying to put the *various details* in some *coherent* order' (lines 2–3)

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**(ii)** '*perched triumphantly* in its branches' (line 21)

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**(iii)** 'in a *lowered*, but perfectly *composed* voice' (line 41)

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**[Turn over for Question 1(h)]**

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**(h)** Re-read paragraph one (The following day…) **and** paragraph five (No sooner…) to the end of the passage.

Christopher uses the following phrases to describe his father and mother.

Choose **three** of the phrases and then explain how each one of them helps you to understand his impressions of his parents.

**Father**

- '*smiled, kissed her lightly on the cheek*' (line 10)
- '*came striding out to where I was waiting*' (lines 10–11)

**Mother**

- '*her presence, which seemed looming and large*' (line 39)
- '*silenced me with a stare that frightened me*' (line 44)

Phrase: .....

Explanation: .....

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Phrase: .....

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Phrase: .....

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**(i)** Re-read lines 1–25.

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Write a summary of what Christopher did on that day.

Write a paragraph of about 50–70 words.

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**[Total: 30]**

**[Turn over for Question 2]**

**Question 2**

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Imagine that you are a reporter for a local newspaper. You have interviewed Christopher and his mother.

**Write a newspaper report with the headline: 'Mysterious Disappearance of Local Businessman'.**

In your newspaper report you should include:

- an explanation of what has happened
- details of the house **and** the area in which the family live
- what Christopher **and** his mother said about the father
- what the police think might have happened **and** what they are doing about it.

You should base your ideas on what you have read in the passage, but do not copy from it. Address each of the four bullet points.

Begin your newspaper report, 'Police visited the house of local businessman, Mr Banks, yesterday...'.

Write between 1 and 1½ sides, allowing for the size of your handwriting.

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

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