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Paper 2 Reading Passages (Extended) **October/November 2018**

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

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Read carefully **Passage A**, ***My career as a journalist begins***, in the Reading Booklet Insert and then answer **Questions 1** and **2** on this Question Paper.

Question 1

Imagine you are Doris. Years later, now successful yourself, you are interviewed by a national radio programme about your family, brother and memories of the upbringing the two of you had.

The interviewer asks you the following three questions only:

- What do you remember about your family and the values and attitudes to life they each had?
- Your brother claims he started his career in journalism at the age of eight. Tell us your memories of him and what happened at that time.
- Looking back, can you explain how the skills and qualities you had as a child helped you get where you are today?

Write your response to each of the interviewer's questions.

Base your interview 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 interview with your answer to the first question.

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 executive's description of what the job entails and Buddy's initial reaction in paragraph 12, beginning 'The executive announced … '

(b) Buddy's reaction to the idea of being a writer in paragraph 24, beginning 'I clasped the idea … '

Select **four** powerful words or phrases from each paragraph. Your choices should include imagery. Explain how each word or phrase 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**, ***It's never too late to change career***, 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

According to **Passage B**, for what reasons do people decide to change career?

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.

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(b) Summary

Now use your notes to write a summary of the reasons people decide to change career, according to **Passage B**.

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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