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Paper 1 Reading Passages (Core) **October/November 2019**

1 hour 45 minutes

Candidates answer on the Question Paper.

Additional Materials: Reading Booklet Insert

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 the 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.

This document consists of **11** printed pages, **1** blank page and **1** Reading Booklet Insert.

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Read carefully **Passage A** 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) Give **one** detail mentioned by the writer about the **outside** of the processing mill and **one** detail that he mentions about the **inside** of this building (paragraph 1, 'We arrived by noon …').

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(b) **Using your own words**, explain what the writer means by 'contemplating this great bulk of useless building.' (line 4).

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(c) What does the writer's use of the word 'temple' in the phrase 'like the temple of a forgotten religion' suggest about the mill and the precious metal that was processed in it (line 7)?

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(d) Why did the writer and his wife think there was a 'chill' in their arrival at the mine (line 14)?

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(e) Give **two** details about the path between the mine and the Toll House that the writer followed (paragraph 3, 'Silverado Mine buildings …').

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(f) Give **two** statements made by the writer about the 'last outpost of the mine' that suggest that he thought it was fascinating and mysterious (Paragraph 4, 'Signs remained …').

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(g) Give the meaning of the underlined words in the following **three** phrases as the writer uses them. Then explain how the phrases help to suggest the writer's thoughts and feelings about the surroundings of the Silverado settlement.

(i) 'like the temple of a forgotten religion, the workers toiling somewhere else.' (lines 7–8)

Meaning of the underlined word as the writer uses it: .....

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(ii) Explanation of the **whole phrase**:

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(iii) 'buried in foliage, deep out of sight of Silverado, I stumbled upon a last outpost of the mine' (lines 25–26)

Meaning of the underlined word as the writer uses it: .....

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(iv) Explanation of the **whole phrase**:

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(v) 'A stream of water dyed red with iron, danced out of the depths of the cave' (lines 27–28)

Meaning of the underlined word as the writer uses it: .....

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(vi) Explanation of the **whole phrase**:

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Question 2

Imagine that you are the wife of the writer in **Passage A**. It is the day after your arrival in Silverado and you are writing a letter to your parents in England about your travels.

Write your letter.

In your letter you mention the following details:
- what you have learnt about Silverado as it was in the past
- what it is like now **and** your thoughts when you arrived
- what you think your life will be like for the next two months **and** your thoughts about Robert's (your husband's) decision to visit there.

Base your responses 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 letter: 'Well, we're here at last, and I hope this letter eventually reaches you …'

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**, ***The Forth Rail Bridge***, 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 are the main features **and** history of the Forth Rail Bridge, 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.

Information about the main features <u>and</u> history of the Forth Rail Bridge:

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(b) Summary

Now use your notes to write a summary of what **Passage B** tells you about **the main features and history of the Forth Rail Bridge**.

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

Your summary should not be more than 150 words.

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

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