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FIRST LANGUAGE ENGLISH **0500/21**

Paper 2 Directed Writing and Composition **October/November 2023**

2 hours

You must answer on the question paper.

You will need: Insert (enclosed)

INSTRUCTIONS

- Answer **two** questions in total:
  - Section A: answer Question 1.
  - Section B: answer **one** question.
- Use a black or dark blue pen.
- Write your name, centre number and candidate number in the boxes at the top of the page.
- Write your answer to each question in the space provided.
- Do **not** use an erasable pen or correction fluid.
- Do **not** write on any bar codes.
- If additional space is needed, you should use the lined pages at the end of this booklet; the question number or numbers must be clearly shown.
- Dictionaries are **not** allowed.

INFORMATION

- The total mark for this paper is 80.
- The number of marks for each question or part question is shown in brackets [ ].
- The insert contains the reading texts.

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Read Text A and Text B in the insert and then answer **Section A, Question 1** on this question paper.

Section A: Directed Writing

Question 1

Imagine that you are a student of a school which is considering whether or not to demolish an old building on its site.

Write the speech you give to a meeting of local people, expressing your views.

In your speech you should:
- evaluate the ideas, attitudes and opinions about buildings given in both texts
- based on what you have read, justify your views on whether the school's old building should be replaced or reused.

Base your speech on what you have read in **both** texts, but be careful to use your own words. Address both of the bullet points.

Write about 250 to 350 words.

Up to 15 marks are available for the content of your answer, and up to 25 marks for the quality of your writing.

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Section B: Composition

Answer **one** question from Section B.

Write about 350 to 450 words on **one** of the following questions. Answer on this question paper.

Up to 16 marks are available for the content and structure of your answer, and up to 24 marks for the style and accuracy of your writing.

EITHER

Descriptive Writing

2 Describe a theme park or attraction when it is open and when it is closed.

OR

Descriptive Writing

3 Describe a group of people meeting to rehearse or practise.

OR

Narrative Writing

4 Write a story that includes the words, '… I realised it was my responsibility …'.

OR

Narrative Writing

5 Write a story with the title, 'The portrait'.

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