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FIRST LANGUAGE ENGLISH **0500/11**

Paper 1 Reading **October/November 2024**

2 hours

You must answer on the question paper.

You will need: Insert (enclosed)

INSTRUCTIONS

- Answer **all** questions.
- 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**, ***Bees***, in the insert and then answer **Questions 1(a)–(e)** on this question paper.

Question 1

(a) Which bee is the biggest in a colony, according to paragraph 1?

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(b) **Using your own words**, explain what the text means by:

(i) 'special diet' (line 3)

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(ii) 'sole purpose' (line 5).

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(c) Re-read paragraph 3 ('Bees have different ... deep inside them.').

Give **two** characteristics that make the early bumblebee and the garden bumblebee different.

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(d) Re-read paragraphs 4 and 5 ('Plants can ... subject to study.').

(i) Identify **two** ways in which bee pollination is needed for plants.

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(ii) Explain how humans have benefited from the existence of bees.

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(e) Re-read paragraph 6 ('But bees ... costing us all.').

Why might some humans disregard the threats to bees?

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Read **Text B**, ***Beekeeping***, in the insert and then answer **Question 1(f)** on this question paper.

(f) According to Text B, what should people consider and do before taking up beekeeping?

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

Your summary should not be more than 120 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 **Text C**, ***The business venture***, in the insert and then answer **Questions 2(a)–(d)** on this question paper.

Question 2

(a) **Identify a word or phrase from the text** which suggests the same idea as the words underlined:

(i) Abdul does not feel the same confidence about the future as Damian.

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(ii) Abdul shared his very thorough research with Damian.

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(iii) Damian wished to make his range of smoothies more varied.

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(iv) Damian and Abdul look very thoughtfully at all the bees in the acacia tree.

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(b) **Using your own words,** explain what the writer means by each of the words underlined:

A few months earlier, Damian and Abdul had been relaxing in Damian's field, near his beehives. It had been the first mild morning for many months and the two men were sipping Damian's home-made acacia honey and berry smoothies.

(i) relaxing ..... [1]

(ii) mild ..... [1]

(iii) sipping ..... [1]

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(c) Use **one** example from the text below to explain how the writer suggests the thoughts and feelings of Damian about running his own business.

Use your own words in your explanation.

'I agree with that little bee,' announced Damian, smacking his lips in pleasure at the taste of honey and berries. 'We should venture out of our own hives and taste the sweet nectar of life. Get ahead of the crowd. Nice big shop in the middle of town.'

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(d) Re-read paragraphs 5 and 11.

- Paragraph 5 begins 'The delicate tracery ...' and is about Damian's view of the hive and acacia tree as a worker bee comes out to look for nectar.
- Paragraph 11 begins 'A worker bee ... ' and is about a bee arriving in the kitchen as Damian thinks about his range of smoothies.

Explain how the writer uses language to convey meaning and to create effect in these paragraphs. Choose **three** examples of words or phrases from **each** paragraph to support your answer. Your choices should include the use of imagery.

Write about 200 to 300 words.

Up to 15 marks are available for the content of your answer.

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Re-read **Text C**, ***The business venture***, in the insert and then answer **Question 3** on this question paper.

Question 3

You are Abdul. At the end of your first day selling smoothies at the market, you write a journal entry in which you reflect on your experiences.

In your journal entry you should:

- explain the most important considerations you had when wanting to set up the business
- explain your thoughts and feelings about your business partner, Damian, **and** the advantages and drawbacks of being in business together
- describe how you see your business developing in the future **and** any concerns you may have.

Write the words of the journal entry.

Write about 250 to 350 words.

Up to 15 marks are available for the content of your answer and up to 10 marks for the quality of your writing.

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