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ENGLISH GENERAL PAPER

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Paper 1 Essay

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1 hour 15 minutes

You must answer on the enclosed answer booklet.

You will need: Answer booklet (enclosed)

INSTRUCTIONS

- Answer **one** question.
- Follow the instructions on the front cover of the answer booklet. If you need additional answer paper, ask the invigilator for a continuation booklet.
- Dictionaries are **not** allowed.

INFORMATION

- The total mark for this paper is 30.
- All questions are worth equal marks.

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Answer **one** question.

You are advised to write an essay of 600–700 words. Use examples to support your arguments.

- 1 Countries with the largest armed forces always have an advantage. Evaluate this view. [30]
- 2 To what extent do individuals have control over their own futures? [30]
- 3 The main purpose of education is to prepare people for the world of work. Discuss. [30]
- 4 Evaluate the extent to which recent scientific developments have improved people's lives in **your** country. [30]
- 5 Using a telephone is the best way of communicating. To what extent do you agree? [30]
- 6 To what extent might it be possible to prevent future famine? [30]
- 7 Evaluate the benefits of staying at home during your annual holiday, rather than visiting a foreign country. [30]
- 8 Explain why artists, such as painters, filmmakers or musicians, are often inspired by terrible events in human history. [30]
- 9 Museums have no right to hold and exhibit items that belong to other countries. Discuss. [30]
- 10 Advertising is losing its influence on people in the world today. To what extent do you agree? [30]

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