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ENGLISH GENERAL PAPER

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 Assess whether **your** country's traditions are holding back its development. [30]
- 2 Assess whether countries still need armed forces in order to remain powerful in today's world. [30]
- 3 Examine the impact of international aid on ending world poverty. [30]
- 4 To discover and learn, it is necessary to travel. Evaluate this statement. [30]
- 5 It is every parent's responsibility to ensure that their children have a healthy lifestyle. Discuss. [30]
- 6 Trees have little importance in our increasingly developed world. Discuss. [30]
- 7 Mobile devices designed to connect people actually increase social isolation. Discuss. [30]
- 8 The main purpose of architecture is to add beauty to the environment. To what extent do you agree? [30]
- 9 The best way to watch a movie is at home. Discuss. [30]
- 10 To what extent do visual arts play a vital role in today's world? [30]

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