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LANGUAGE AND LITERATURE IN ENGLISH

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Paper 1 Writing

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2 hours

You must answer on the enclosed answer booklet.

You will need: Answer booklet (enclosed)

INSTRUCTIONS

- Answer **two** questions in total:
Section A: answer Question 1.
Section B: 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 50.
- The number of marks for each question or part question is shown in brackets [].

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Section A: Shorter writing and reflective commentary**Question 1**

Your teacher has asked you to write the opening of a story called *The Message*, about finding a piece of paper on your doorstep with a handwritten message on it.

- (a) Write the text for the opening of your story, using no more than 400 words. In your writing, create a sense of drama and suspense. [15]
- (b) Write a reflective commentary on your text, explaining how your linguistic choices contribute to fulfilling the task set. [10]

Section B: Extended writing

Answer **one** question.

EITHER

Question 2

Write a descriptive piece about a rubbish tip. In your writing, focus on colour, sound and movement to help your reader imagine the scene. Write between 600 and 900 words. [25]

OR

Question 3

You recently attended an introduction day at the school you are going to join next year. You decide to write a review of the introduction day, which you will post on your blog. Write between 600 and 900 words. [25]

OR

Question 4

You have read a newspaper article which said that people should go to shops instead of buying online, otherwise more and more shops will close. You decide to write an email to the editor, in response to this article, giving your opinion. Write between 600 and 900 words. [25]

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