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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

You recently read a newspaper article which said that the world would be a better place without mobile phones. You decide to write an email to the editor, in response to this article, giving your opinion.

- (a) Write the text for your email, using no more than 400 words. In your writing, give reasons to support your opinion. [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

You have been watching a new TV series about interior design. You decide to write a review of the series, which will be published in your school magazine. Write between 600 and 900 words. [25]

OR

Question 3

Write a story called *No Turning Back*, about a person who leaves home one morning and decides never to return. In your writing, create a sense of drama and suspense. Write between 600 and 900 words. [25]

OR

Question 4

Your class has just had a discussion about the benefits of studying science subjects at school. Your teacher has asked you to give a speech to first-year students at your school, encouraging them to learn science subjects. Write the text for your speech, creating a sense of enthusiasm for science. Write between 600 and 900 words. [25]

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