General Certificate of Secondary Education June 2007

ENGLISH (SPECIFICATION B)
Paper 2
Foundation Tier

3701/2F

F



Thursday 7 June 2007 1.30 pm to 3.00 pm

For this paper you must have:

- an 8-page answer book
- Section B of the pre-release booklet (enclosed).

Time allowed: 1 hour 30 minutes

Instructions

- Use blue or black ink or ball-point pen.
- Write the information required on the front of your answer book. The *Examining Body* for this paper is AQA. The *Paper Reference* is 3701/2F.
- Answer all questions.
- Write your answers in the answer book provided.
- Do all rough work in your answer book. Cross through any work you do not want to be marked.
- You must refer to Section B of the pre-release booklet provided.
- You must **not** use a dictionary.

Information

- The maximum mark for this paper is 40.
- The marks for questions are shown in brackets.
- You are reminded of the need for good English and clear presentation in your answers. All questions should be answered in continuous prose.
- You will be assessed on the quality of your Reading in Section A.
- You will be assessed on the quality of your Writing in Section B.

Advice

• You are advised to spend about 45 minutes on Section A and about 45 minutes on Section B.

M/Jun07/3701/2F 3701/2F

SECTION A: READING

POETRY FROM DIFFERENT CULTURES AND TRADITIONS

You are advised to spend about 45 minutes on this section.

You will be assessed on the quality of your Reading. You are reminded to comment on the cultural aspects of the poems.

1 Read the poem 'The Chucky' on the page opposite. Refer to the poem 'To Another Housewife' on page 13 of your pre-release booklet.

Write about:

- what is happening in 'The Chucky'
- how the writer uses language in 'The Chucky' to interest the reader
- how the different ways of life described in 'The Chucky' compare with those in 'To Another Housewife'. (20 marks)

The following poem from Pakistan is about memories.

The chucky is a hand-operated flour mill, which the poet describes his grandmother using.

The Chucky

My grandmother
works the chucky. She funnels
A handful of maize* into the hole
just as her mother used to do.
Sometimes she feels the grainy texture
Of her grandmother's palm.
Once, the mud dried room
Filled with the spirits of all our mothers.
But usually all she can see
Is her ageing hand, all she can feel
Is an aching absence.

My mother
Has a Philips grinder and my sister
Knows how to change the fuse.
And when they make roasted maize
We always have it with spinach
And lots of butter. Sometimes the scents
Bring my grandmother back
Before our eyes, and we recall
The story of how our mother
Ran in with our father to tell
My grandmother of their plans to go to England.
Of how the grinding stopped and the flour
Spilt and the sudden silence
Was interrupted by a gust
Which shut the door on the light.

TARIQ LATIF

*maize = corn

Turn over for the next question

SECTION B: WRITING TO ANALYSE, REVIEW, COMMENT

You are advised to spend about 45 minutes on this section.

You will be assessed on the quality of your Writing.

2 Write an article for a magazine in which you analyse the best and the worst things about living where you do.

Remember:

- to keep your audience in mind
- to write accurately and express yourself clearly.

(20 marks)

END OF QUESTIONS

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COPYRIGHT-HOLDERS AND PUBLISHERS

Question 1 Source: adapted from TARIQ LATIF, 'The Chucky', *A Dragonfly in the Sun* edited by Muneeza Shamsie (OUP Pakistan) 1977. Copyright Tariq Latif. First published in 'The Minister's Garden', Arc Publications 1996.

Copyright © 2007 AQA and its licensors. All rights reserved.