

1203/3F**Edexcel GCSE****English A**

Paper 3F – Media (Unseen)

Foundation Tier

Time: 2 hours

Materials required for the examination :

Answer Book (AB12)

Items included with these questions papers:

One insert

Instructions to Candidates

In the boxes on the answer book, write the name of the Examining Body, (Edexcel), your Centre Number, Candidate Number, the Subject Title, the Paper Reference, your Surname, Other names and Signature.

Supplementary Answer Sheets may be used.

Answer the question in Section A, one question from Section B and one question from Section C.

Information for Candidates

You are reminded of the importance of clear English and careful presentation in your answers.

You should have a newspaper article from *The Daily Mail* before starting this paper.

Section A: Unseen Media

You must answer the question in this section. You should spend about 40 minutes on this question.

1. Read the article from the Daily Mail “800ft fall girl back on her feet in two weeks”. How successful is the article in explaining Sarah’s accident and making her recovery seem remarkable? (Article included as an insert)

In your answer you should write about:

- the use of photographs and illustrations
- the use of headlines and captions
- the content of the article
- the use of language.

Total for Section A: 25 marks

Section B: Writing to analyse, review, comment

**Answer ONE question from this section.
You should spend about 40 minutes on this question.**

EITHER

- 2a. At the end of the article Sarah Woodroffe says, “I know some people think it’s selfish but it’s something I just have to do”.

Write a letter to the *Daily Mail*, giving your views on whether it is selfish to take part in dangerous sports.

OR

- 2b. Most people have a sport or interest which they follow in their spare time. Write about **one** of your interests, giving your reasons for taking it up and commenting on the benefits you have gained from it.

Total for Section B: 25 marks

Section C: Writing to argue, persuade, advise

Answer ONE question from this section.
You should spend about 40 minutes on this question.

EITHER

3a. Write an article for a newspaper arguing your point of view on the topic:

Should school pupils aged 14 years and above be made to take part in sport?

You may wish to consider:

- the amount of time available in school
- the range of team and individual sports offered
- possible health benefits
- any other relevant aspects.

OR

3b. Your school has introduced a charity week. During this week, money will be raised to support the work of a local or national charity. You are free to select a charity of your own, for example a charity for the disabled or for disadvantaged children, or an animal charity or a charity that supports a particular cause.

Write a speech to be given during a school assembly to persuade students to give money to your charity.

You may wish to consider:

- the aim of your charity
- the work it does
- your reasons for supporting it.

Total for Section C: 25 marks

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