Paper Reference(s)

1204/5H

Edexcel GCSE

English B

Paper 5H – Unprepared non-fiction

Higher Tier

Thursday 5 June 2008 – Afternoon

Time: 2 hours

Materials required for examination
Nil

Items included with question papers
One insert

Instructions to Candidates

In the boxes above, write your centre number, candidate number, your surname, initials and signature.
Check that you have the correct question paper.
Do not use pencil. Use blue or black ink.
If you need more space to complete your answer to any question, use additional answer sheets.

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

Do not return the insert with the question paper.

Information for Candidates

Each question will be marked out of 25.
You are reminded of the importance of clear English and careful presentation in your answers.
You should have, in addition to this question paper, an extract from Chris Stewart's book *The Almond Blossom Appreciation Society.*

Please note:
Section A starts on page 2 in this question paper
Section B starts on page 6 in this question paper
Section C starts on page 10 in this question paper.

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SECTION A: UNPREPARED NON-FICTION

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

1. Read the extract from *The Almond Blossom Appreciation Society*.

   How does the writer convey the special pleasures of the picnic at Aït Oum er-Rbia?

   You should write about:

   - the setting, including the buildings
   - the atmosphere
   - the people, including the writer
   - the use of language.

   Support your answer with examples from the text.

   (Total for Section A: 25 marks for Reading)

Write your answer to Section A here:

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TOTAL FOR SECTION A: 25 MARKS

Section A

SECTION B: WRITING TO ARGUE, PERSUADE, ADVISE

**There are two questions in this section. You should answer ONE of them.
You should spend about 40 minutes on this question.**

2. In many situations people are judged by their appearance, including clothes, hairstyle and make-up.

    Write an article, suitable for publication in a family magazine, persuading readers that it is wrong to judge only by appearance.

OR

3. The Government has said that it is considering changing the age at which you can vote in elections from 18 to 16 and has asked for people's views about this.

    Write a persuasive letter to the Prime Minister, arguing **either** for **or** against being able to vote in an election at 16.

(Total for Section B: 25 marks for Writing)

**Indicate which question you are answering by marking the box (⊠).
If you change your mind, put a line through the box (⊠) and then indicate your new
question with a cross (⊠).**

Chosen Question Number: **Question 2** ☐   **Question 3** ☐

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TOTAL FOR SECTION B: 25 MARKS

SECTION C: WRITING TO ANALYSE, REVIEW, COMMENT

There are two questions in this section. You should answer ONE of them.
You should spend about 40 minutes on this question.

4. What makes a perfect day out?

    Analyse and comment on those aspects which ensure perfection.

    OR

5. Write a detailed review of a book, film, gig or concert that you enjoyed.

    Comment on it fully, covering its good and bad points.

    (Total for Section C: 25 marks for Writing)

Indicate which question you are answering by marking the box (⊠).
If you change your mind, put a line through the box (⊠) and then indicate your new question with a cross (⊠).

Chosen Question Number: **Question 4** ☐   **Question 5** ☐

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TOTAL FOR SECTION C: 25 MARKS
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