

OXFORD CAMBRIDGE AND RSA EXAMINATIONS
General Certificate of Secondary Education

ENGLISH (Specification 1900)
UNIT 1 Non-Fiction, Media and Information
PAPER 1 (Foundation Tier)

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Tuesday 6 JUNE 2006 Morning 1 hour 45 minutes

Additional materials:
8 page answer booklet

TIME 1 hour 45 minutes. (No separate reading time is allowed.)

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

- Write your name, Centre number and candidate number in the spaces on the answer booklet.
- Answer ALL the questions.
- Write your answers, in blue or black ink, in the answer booklet provided.
- Read each question carefully and make sure you know what to do before starting your answer.

INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES

- The total mark for this paper is 63.
- The number of marks is given in brackets [] at the end of each question or part question.
- Section A is worth 43 marks. You are advised to spend no more than 1 hour 10 minutes on it.
- Section B is worth 20 marks. You are advised to spend no more than 35 minutes on it.

This question paper consists of 6 printed pages and 2 blank pages.

SECTION A

You are advised to spend no more than 1 hour 10 minutes on Section A.

Reading: NON-FICTION

Here is part of a tourist guide for Nottinghamshire.

Read this passage carefully and then answer questions 1(a), (b) and (c).

These answers will be marked for reading. Plan your answers and write them carefully.

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Details: An extract of text from *The Hidden Places of Nottinghamshire* by Joanna Billing

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- 1 (a) What does the name 'Lambley' mean, and how is that meaning still shown around the village today? [2]
- (b) What **facts** about Laxton show that it has a very long farming tradition? [3]
- (c) According to the writer, what features of the countryside and of village life make rural Nottinghamshire attractive?
- Use your own words** as far as possible. [18]

**Turn over for the remainder
of Section A**

Reading: MEDIA

Read this newspaper article, written by a Cambridgeshire farmer, Robin Page, and then answer Question 2 .

This answer will be marked for reading. Plan your answer and write it carefully.

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Details: A newspaper article entitled 'Death of the Village' by Robin Page in the Daily Mail on 7th August 2004

- 2 The author of 'Death of the Village' is expressing his feelings about how village life and farming have changed. Show how his article does this.

In your answer you should write about:

- the presentation of the article;
- what used to make the author happy, and what makes him sad and angry now;
- the language he uses to express happiness, sadness and anger.

[20]

SECTION B

You are advised to spend **no more than 35 minutes** on Section B.

Writing to INFORM, EXPLAIN, DESCRIBE.

*This answer will be marked for writing. Plan your answer and write it carefully.
Leave enough time to check through what you have written.*

- 3 A magazine, designed to appeal to all age groups, is publishing a series of articles called, 'It means so much to me'. You have been asked to contribute an article.

Write your article. Give a detailed description of something you value very much. Explain carefully why you value it so highly.

It could be anything: a personal possession, a hobby that you have, or an activity that you enjoy.

[20]

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