

GENERAL CERTIFICATE OF SECONDARY EDUCATION

ENGLISH (Specification 1900)

2431/02

Unit 1 Non-Fiction, Media and Information
(Higher Tier)

Candidates answer on the Answer Booklet

OCR Supplied Materials:

- 8 page Answer Booklet
- Resource Booklet (2431/02/RBI – inserted)

Other Materials Required:

None

Thursday 8 January 2009
Morning

Duration: 1 hour 45 minutes



INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

- Write your name clearly in capital letters, your Centre Number and Candidate Number in the spaces provided on the Answer Booklet.
- Use black ink.
- Read each question carefully and make sure that you know what you have to do before starting your answer.
- Answer **all** the questions.
- Find the **Reading Booklet Insert for Section A**.
- Do **not** write in the bar codes.

INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES

- The number of marks is given in brackets [] at the end of each question or part question.
- **Section A** is worth 60 marks. You are advised to spend **no more than 1 hour 10 minutes** on it.
- **Section B** is worth 30 marks. You are advised to spend **no more than 35 minutes** on it.
- The total number of marks for this paper is **90**.
- This document consists of **4** pages. Any blank pages are indicated.

SECTION A

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

Reading: NON-FICTION and MEDIA

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

Read the extract from *The Ferry to Palma* by Paul Theroux.

- 1 Outline concisely Paul Theroux's thoughts and feelings about Benidorm and his journey to Palma.

Use your own words as far as possible.

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Now read the article *Benidorm Gets High and Mighty Ugly* by Giles Tremlett.

- 2 How does Giles Tremlett convey his views about the Gran Bali Hotel and its impact on Benidorm?

In your answer, refer to the way he presents his argument and the tone created by the language he uses.

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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 family you know well plans to visit a place with which you are familiar. Write a letter to one of the family, in which you describe the place and explain what they might or might not enjoy.

Begin your letter 'Dear ...'

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