

**OXFORD CAMBRIDGE AND RSA EXAMINATIONS  
GENERAL CERTIFICATE OF SECONDARY EDUCATION**

**A680/02**

**ENGLISH/ENGLISH LANGUAGE**

**Information and Ideas (Higher Tier)**

**WEDNESDAY 15 JUNE 2011: Afternoon**

**DURATION: 2 hours**

**SUITABLE FOR VISUALLY IMPAIRED CANDIDATES**

**Candidates answer on the answer booklet.**

**OCR SUPPLIED MATERIALS:**

**Reading booklet insert (A680/02/RBI – inserted)**

**8 page answer booklet (sent with general stationery)**

**OTHER MATERIALS REQUIRED:**

**None**

**READ INSTRUCTIONS OVERLEAF**

## **INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES**

- Find the reading booklet insert for use with the questions in Section A.
- Write your name, centre number and candidate number in the spaces provided on the answer booklet. Please write clearly and in capital letters.
- Use black ink.
- Read each question carefully. Make sure you know what you have to do before starting your answer.
- Answer ALL the questions in Section A and ONE question in Section B.
- Write in the margin the number of the question you are answering.

## **INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES**

- The number of marks is given in brackets [ ] at the end of each question or part question.
- Section A is worth 40 marks. You are advised to SPEND ABOUT 1 HOUR on it.
- Section B is worth 40 marks. You are advised to SPEND ABOUT 1 HOUR on it.
- The total number of marks for this paper is 80.

**Answer ALL the questions in Section A and ONE question in Section B.**

## **SECTION A: READING**

**YOU ARE ADVISED TO SPEND ABOUT ONE HOUR ON SECTION A.**

**Read carefully the two passages ‘Wing and a Prayer’ and ‘Why we no longer enjoy flying’ and then answer questions 1, 2 and 3. These questions will be marked for reading.**

### **1 Wing and a Prayer**

**Referring carefully to the article, OUTLINE CONCISELY what makes the experience of flying in a Pitts Special so exciting.**

**Use YOUR OWN WORDS as far as possible. [10]**

### **2 Wing and a Prayer**

**Piers Townley says, ‘being airborne doesn’t get much better than this’. How does the presentation of the article and writer’s use of language help to convey this impression to the reader? [15]**

### **3 Why we no longer enjoy flying**

**How does Nigel Tisdall convey to the reader his views on the experience of flying?**

**In your answer, refer to the language he uses and the way he presents his ideas. [15]**

## **SECTION B: WRITING**

**YOU ARE ADVISED TO SPEND ABOUT ONE HOUR ON SECTION B.**

**Answer EITHER question 4 OR question 5.**

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

**Leave enough time to check through what you have written.**

**EITHER**

**4 Is it important for humans to fly?**

**Write the words of a talk to your class giving your views. [40]**

**OR**

**5 Write about a time when something did not go as planned. [40]**

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