

**OXFORD CAMBRIDGE AND RSA EXAMINATIONS
GCSE**

A680/02

ENGLISH/ENGLISH LANGUAGE

Information and Ideas (Higher Tier)

TUESDAY 10 JANUARY 2012: Morning

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**.
- The Insert will be found in the centre of this document.
- 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.
- 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.
- Read each question carefully. Make sure you know what you have to do before starting your answer.

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.
- Section **B** is worth **40** marks.
- The total number of marks for this paper is **80**.

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

SECTION A: NON-FICTION AND MEDIA

You are advised to spend about half your time on this section.

Read carefully the two passages ‘The day I survived a very grizzly bear attack’ and ‘A Walk in the Woods’ and then answer questions 1, 2 and 3. The questions will be marked for reading.

1 ‘The day I survived a very grizzly bear attack’

Using details from the article, OUTLINE CONCISELY:

**what you learn about black bears
the different thoughts and feelings Guy Grieve
experiences during his encounter with the bear.**

Use YOUR OWN WORDS as far as possible. [12]

2 ‘The day I survived a very grizzly bear attack’

**How does Guy Grieve use language to make the
account of his encounter with the bear so terrifying?**

In your answer, refer closely to the passage. [14]

3 'A Walk in the Woods'

How does Bill Bryson make the account of his experience in the woods so entertaining?

In your answer, refer closely to the passage. [14]

SECTION B: WRITING

You are advised to spend a little under half your time on this section.

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 'BE PREPARED!'

Write a magazine article, giving information and advice about how to prepare for a particular activity; for example, a camping holiday, a foreign visit, a work experience week etc. [40]

OR

5 THINGS THAT GO BUMP IN THE NIGHT

Write about some of the things that you found confusing or scary when you were younger and explain how you feel about them now. [40]

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