



ENGLISH A2 – STANDARD LEVEL – PAPER 2
ANGLAIS A2 – NIVEAU MOYEN – ÉPREUVE 2
INGLÉS A2 – NIVEL MEDIO – PRUEBA 2

Friday 4 May 2001 (morning)

Vendredi 4 mai 2001 (matin)

Viernes 4 de mayo de 2001 (mañana)

1 hour 30 minutes / 1 heure 30 minutes / 1 hora 30 minutos

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

- Do not turn over this page until instructed to do so.
- Answer one question.

INSTRUCTIONS DESTINÉES AUX CANDIDATS

- Ne pas tourner la page avant d'y être autorisé.
- Traiter un sujet de composition.

INSTRUCCIONES PARA LOS ALUMNOS

- No vuelva esta página hasta que se lo autoricen.
- Conteste una pregunta.

*Write an essay on **one** of the following. You must base your answer on the Topic Options and/or Literary Text Options you have studied in class. References to other subjects or literary works are permissible but should not form the main body of your answer.*

1. Which of today's scientific, technological, social or economic changes make you optimistic about the future of man, which pessimistic – and **why**?
2. Global issues can be a source of conflict between nations. Give examples and say how the conflicts were, or could be resolved.
3. What criteria would you use to judge whether a person and/or a country could be described as bilingual?
4. What, in your opinion, are some of the more serious abuses of language you have come across in your study of the media? Say what you consider unacceptable about the use of language in each case and explain why.
5. Social problems or issues are often linked; you cannot solve one without taking the other(s) into account. Discuss examples from your study of society.
6. "Women have the more important roles in literature." To what extent is this true in the literary works you have studied?
7. "Friendship is never without its risks." Discuss with reference to literary works you have studied.
8. What function does humour have in tragedy? Refer to scenes or passages in the novels, plays or poems you have studied.
9. "He who is unable to live in society [...] must be either a beast or a god." (Aristotle) Comment on this statement with reference to your study of literary texts **and/or** topic options.
10. The struggle for power is often an unequal contest. Discuss with reference to your study of literary texts **and/or** topic options.