

English B – Standard level – Paper 2
Anglais B – Niveau moyen – Épreuve 2
Inglés B – Nivel medio – Prueba 2

Tuesday 5 May 2015 (afternoon)
Mardi 5 mai 2015 (après-midi)
Martes 5 de mayo de 2015 (tarde)

1 h 30 m

Instructions to candidates

- Do not turn over this examination paper until instructed to do so.
- Choose one task. Each task is worth **[25 marks]**.
- The maximum mark for this examination paper is **[25 marks]**.

Instructions destinées aux candidats

- Ne retournez pas cette épreuve avant d'y être autorisé(e).
- Choisissez une tâche. Chaque tâche vaut **[25 points]**.
- Le nombre maximum de points pour cette épreuve d'examen est de **[25 points]**.

Instrucciones para los alumnos

- No dé la vuelta al examen hasta que se lo autoricen.
- Elija una tarea. Cada tarea vale **[25 puntos]**.
- La puntuación máxima para esta prueba de examen es **[25 puntos]**.

Complete **one** of the following tasks. Write 250 to 400 words.

1. Cultural diversity

Your local newspaper has published an article proposing that students from any country should be allowed to attend your country's universities free of charge. Write a letter to the editor of the newspaper, in which you give your opinion on the matter.

2. Customs and traditions

Your teacher has set as your next essay topic: "When countries observe annual celebrations, such as Christmas, Diwali, Halloween or Valentine's Day, there is more emphasis on the commercial side of these festivities than on their origins and significance." Write your essay.

3. Health

Recent research has shown that modern teenagers do less physical exercise than their parents did. You find this shocking! Write a leaflet to be put on the school noticeboard in which you suggest fun ways for young people to incorporate exercise into their daily lives.

4. Leisure

Your school is closed for a mid-term break and you and your friends have decided to clean up and develop an ugly, abandoned area of your town for the benefit of the local residents. Write a blog describing your goals and the progress your group is making.

5. Science and technology

You recently read a news report which claimed that all cars will run on electricity in 15 years' time. Write an article for your school magazine in which you consider the possible advantages and disadvantages of such a future.
