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Paper 3 Directed Writing and Composition

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Candidates answer on the Question Paper.

READ THESE INSTRUCTIONS FIRST

Write your Centre number, candidate number and name in the spaces provided.

Write in dark blue or black pen.

Do **not** use staples, paper clips, glue or correction fluid.

DO **NOT** WRITE IN ANY BARCODES.

Answer **two** questions in the space provided: **Question 1** in **Section 1** and **one** question from **Section 2**. If additional space is required, you should use the lined pages at the end of this booklet. The question number(s) must be clearly shown.

Dictionaries are **not** permitted.

The Reading Booklet Insert contains the reading passage for use with **Question 1, Section 1** on this Question Paper. The Insert is **not** assessed by the Examiner.

The number of marks is given in brackets [] at the end of each question or part question.

This document consists of **11** printed pages, **1** blank page and **1** Reading Booklet Insert.

Read carefully the article 'Share Nicely Now' in the Reading Booklet Insert and then answer **Section 1, Question 1** on this Question Paper.

Section 1: Directed Writing

Question 1

Imagine that your friend, Louis, is considering setting up a Share-Shack in your community, and has asked for your views on whether this would be a good idea.

Write a letter to your friend.

In your letter you should:

- evaluate the benefits of a Share-Shack to your community
- explain what risks you think might be involved.

Base your letter on what you have read in the article, but be careful to use your own words. Address both of the bullet points.

Begin your letter, 'Dear Louis, I've heard about Share-Shack ...'

Write about 250 to 350 words.

Up to 10 marks are available for the content of your answer, and up to 15 marks for the quality of your writing.

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Section 2: Composition

Write about 350 to 450 words on **one** of the following questions. Answer on this Question Paper.

Up to 13 marks are available for the content and structure of your answer, and up to 12 marks for the style and accuracy of your writing.

Descriptive Writing

2 Describe an occasion when a group of people are eating together.

OR

3 Describe what you notice, think and feel as you sit in a busy workplace observing others go about their daily activities.

OR

Narrative Writing

4 Write a story that includes the words, 'Nothing could have prepared him for what he saw...'

OR

5 Write a story that involves a character new to the area.

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[Total: 25]

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