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General Certificate of Education Ordinary Level

SINHALA

Paper 1 Composition

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1 hour 30 minutes

Additional Materials: Answer Booklet/Paper

READ THESE INSTRUCTIONS FIRST

If you have been given an Answer Booklet, follow the instructions on the front cover of the Booklet.

Write your Centre number, candidate number and name on all the work you hand in.

Write in dark blue or black pen.

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

Choose **one** topic from Section A and **one** topic from Section B.

At the end of the examination, fasten all your work securely together.

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



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Section A – Letter, Report, Dialogue or Speech

- 1 From the topics given below, write **one** composition in **Sinhala** of about **120** words. It will be to your advantage to keep to the recommended length.

- (a) You have just been cycling through a busy village. Write a letter to your friend describing the sights you have seen.

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- (b) In a school debate, you are arguing for a raise in the minimum age for driving a car from 17 to 20 years. Present your arguments in favour of this change in the form of a speech to be held in front of your class.

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- (c) Last night, you saw a play at your school. Write a review of this play in which you mention why you did or did not enjoy it.

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Section B – Essay

- 2 From the topics given below, write **one** composition in **Sinhala** of about **200** words. It will be to your advantage to keep to the recommended length.

- (a) Should wearing a school uniform be compulsory? Discuss the arguments for and against.

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- (b) 'I was about to pay for my groceries in the shop when I noticed there was no money in my pocket ...' Write a story using this as the first sentence.

“ මගේ පසුම්බියේ මුදල් නැති බව දැනගත්තේ මා කඩෙන් ගත් බඩුවලට ගෙවන්නට යනවිටයි.” මෙය මුල් වැකිය සේ යොදාගනිමින් කතාන්තරයක් ලියන්න.

- (c) 'Necessity is the mother of invention.' Discuss this statement.

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- (d) You attended a friend's family wedding. Describe the scene at the wedding ceremony.

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