



Cambridge Assessment International Education
Cambridge Ordinary Level

ENGLISH LANGUAGE

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Paper 1 Writing

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1 hour 30 minutes

No Additional Materials are required.

READ THESE INSTRUCTIONS FIRST

An answer booklet is provided inside this question paper. You should follow the instructions on the front cover of the answer booklet. If you need additional answer paper ask the invigilator for a continuation booklet.

Note: Remember that Section 1 and Section 2 of this paper are worth the **same** number of marks, so you should divide your time carefully between them.

Answer both **Section 1** and **Section 2**.

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Section 1: Directed Writing

You are advised to write between 200 and 300 words. Total marks for this part: 30.

- You will be awarded up to 15 marks for following the task instructions.
- You will be awarded up to 15 marks for the language you use.

Task 1

Recently, two of your relatives who live abroad came to stay with your family for a week. This was a very happy event for everyone. You decide to write to your aunt, who lives in another city, to tell her about this visit.

Write your **letter**. You must include the following:

- who the relatives are **and** when they came to visit
- details about what you and your relatives did together during the visit
- what your relatives enjoyed most about their visit and why.

Cover all three points above **in detail**. You should make your letter interesting and informative. Start your letter 'Dear Aunt ...,' and remember to supply an appropriate ending.

Section 2: Composition

Begin your answer on a new page of your answer booklet.

Write on **one** of the following topics.

At the beginning of your composition put the number of the task you have chosen.

You are advised to write between 350 and 500 words. Total marks for this part: 30.

Tasks 2–6

Description

- 2 Describe the best meal you have ever eaten. (Remember you must describe the place, the atmosphere and the people you were with as well as the food itself.)

Argument

- 3 Which characteristic in people do you most like **and** which characteristic do you least like? Give reasons and examples to support your views.
- 4 Is it better for people to live in the same place all their lives or to live in different places? Give reasons and examples to support your views.

Narrative

- 5 Write a story which includes the sentence: 'When she tried to open the door, she was surprised that the key didn't fit.'
- 6 Write a story in which a science laboratory plays an important part.

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