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LANGUAGE AND LITERATURE IN ENGLISH

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Paper 2 Writing

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2 hours

You must answer on the enclosed answer booklet.

You will need: Answer booklet (enclosed)

INSTRUCTIONS

Answer two questions in total:

Section A: answer **one** question.

Section B: answer one question.

- Follow the instructions on the front cover of the answer booklet. If you need additional answer paper, ask the invigilator for a continuation booklet.
- You are reminded of the need for good English and clear presentation in your answers.

INFORMATION

- The total mark for this paper is 50.
- All questions are worth equal marks.

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Answer **one** question from Section A **and one** question from Section B.

All questions carry equal marks.

You should write 600–900 words for each question.

Section A: Imaginative writing

- 1 Write a story which begins with the following sentence: *The doorbell rang, and I realised I had run out of time*. In your writing, create a sense of suspense and drama.
- Write two contrasting descriptive pieces (300–450 words each) about a market square: the first while the market is in progress; and the second on the same day after the market has closed. In your writing, create a sense of atmosphere and place.
- Write a descriptive piece called *The Laboratory*. In your writing, focus on colour, sound and smell to help your reader imagine the scene.

Section B: Writing for an audience

- 4 You recently attended an event called *Your Future*, where you got information and advice about future study and employment. Write a report for your school magazine, describing the event and evaluating how useful you found it.
- A newspaper recently published an article saying that people will be able to live on the planet Mars in the near future. Readers were invited to write letters to respond to this article. Write two contrasting letters (300–450 words each): one positive about the idea of living on Mars, and the other negative about it.
- Write the voiceover script for a television news report about an awards ceremony for children who have done something very brave. In your writing, focus on the mood and atmosphere of the occasion.

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