

Cambridge International AS & A Level

ENGLISH LANGUAGE

Paper 1 Reading

9093/12 February/March 2021 2 hours 15 minutes

You must answer on the enclosed answer booklet.

You will need: Answer booklet (enclosed)

INSTRUCTIONS

- Answer all questions.
- Follow the instructions on the front cover of the answer booklet. If you need additional answer paper, ask the invigilator for a continuation booklet.
- Dictionaries are **not** allowed.

INFORMATION

- The total mark for this paper is 50.
- The number of marks for each question or part question is shown in brackets [].



Section A: Directed response

Question 1

Read the following text, which is an extract from an article about child prodigies, published in *The Sydney Morning Herald* newspaper.

- (a) You decide to write a letter to the newspaper in response to the article, expressing your opinions about the issues it raises. Use 150 to 200 words. [10]
- (b) Compare your letter with the article, analysing form, structure and language. [15]

46 hours a week of practice: When is enough, enough for prodigy children?

The golfer

Sahara Hillman-Varma goes for a jog most mornings before school then practises golf for two or three hours every afternoon.

Content removed due to copyright restrictions.

Content removed due to copyright restrictions.

But he said parents should only do what was possible given the time and cost restraints and the needs of other family members.

Section B: Text analysis

Question 2

Read the following text, which is a review of a virtual reality experience designed by the sculptor Antony Gormley.

Analyse the text, focusing on form, structure and language.

The moon is deeply embedded in our artistic culture – we sing about it, write about it, make films about it and in return it affects our very being through its lunar cycles.

Content removed due to copyright restrictions.

[25]

Content removed due to copyright restrictions.

And, for me, *Lunatick* hit that message home above all else.

BLANK PAGE

BLANK PAGE

BLANK PAGE

Permission to reproduce items where third-party owned material protected by copyright is included has been sought and cleared where possible. Every reasonable effort has been made by the publisher (UCLES) to trace copyright holders, but if any items requiring clearance have unwittingly been included, the publisher will be pleased to make amends at the earliest possible opportunity.

To avoid the issue of disclosure of answer-related information to candidates, all copyright acknowledgements are reproduced online in the Cambridge Assessment International Education Copyright Acknowledgements Booklet. This is produced for each series of examinations and is freely available to download at www.cambridgeinternational.org after the live examination series.

Cambridge Assessment International Education is part of the Cambridge Assessment Group. Cambridge Assessment is the brand name of the University of Cambridge Local Examinations Syndicate (UCLES), which itself is a department of the University of Cambridge.

© UCLES 2021

03_9093_12_2021_1.17