

UNIVERSITY OF CAMBRIDGE INTERNATIONAL EXAMINATIONS General Certificate of Education Ordinary Level

## SINHALA

Paper 1 Composition

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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 There are three topics given below. Choose any **one** of the topics and write a composition in **Sinhala** of about **120** words. It will be to your advantage to keep to the recommended length.
  - (a) Two students disagree about their favourite subject at school. Write a dialogue between them where they both provide a range of reasons and arguments for their choices.

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(b) Write a letter to your friend complaining about your team's performance in a recent match that you watched.

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(c) Write a speech for a school assembly where you are asked to talk about ways in which you would like your school facilities to be improved.

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## Section B - Essay

- 2 There are four topics given below. Choose any **one** of the topics and write an essay of about **200** words in **Sinhala**. It will be to your advantage to keep to the recommended length.
  - (a) Describe the scene at a nearby village that has recently been flooded.

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(b) Some people argue that television and the internet will gradually replace newspapers as our main source of news. Discuss this view and provide your opinion.

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(c) 'Absence makes the heart grow fonder.' Discuss this statement.

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(d) Write a story ending with the words: 'The old man's strange prediction about his crumbling house had come true.'

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