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FIRST LANGUAGE ENGLISH**0990/21**

Paper 2 Directed Writing and Composition

May/June 2022**2 hours**

You must answer on the question paper.

You will need: Insert (enclosed)

INSTRUCTIONS

- Answer **two** questions in total:
Section A: answer Question 1.
Section B: answer **one** question.
- Use a black or dark blue pen.
- Write your name, centre number and candidate number in the boxes at the top of the page.
- Write your answer to each question in the space provided.
- Do **not** use an erasable pen or correction fluid.
- Do **not** write on any bar codes.
- If additional space is needed, you should use the lined pages at the end of this booklet; the question number or numbers must be clearly shown.
- Dictionaries are **not** allowed.

INFORMATION

- The total mark for this paper is 80.
- The number of marks for each question or part question is shown in brackets [].
- The insert contains the reading texts.

This document has **12** pages. Any blank pages are indicated.

Read Text A and Text B in the insert and then answer **Section A, Question 1** on this question paper.

Section A: Directed Writing

Question 1

A relative is considering moving to another country where they and their teenage children will have to learn a new language.

Write a letter to your relative giving your views about whether or not this is a good idea.

In your letter you should:

- evaluate the ideas, opinions and attitudes in both texts
- explain how successful you think the move will be for the adults and their children.

Base your letter on what you have read in **both** texts, but be careful to use your own words. Address both of the bullet points.

Write about 250 to 350 words.

Up to 15 marks are available for the content of your answer, and up to 25 marks for the quality of your writing.

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Section B: Composition

Answer **one** question from Section B.

Write about 350 to 450 words on **one** of the following questions. Answer on this question paper.

Up to 16 marks are available for the content and structure of your answer, and up to 24 marks for the style and accuracy of your writing.

EITHER

Descriptive Writing

2 Write a description with the title, 'The nest'.

OR

Descriptive Writing

3 Describe the preparations you make for an important journey.

OR

Narrative Writing

4 Write a story which involves an injustice.

OR

Narrative Writing

5 Write a story with the title, 'Cancelled'.

Please write your chosen question number here (2, 3, 4, 5):

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