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FIRST LANGUAGE ENGLISH

0500/22

Paper 2 Reading Passages (Extended)

May/June 2015

2 hours

Candidates answer on the Question Paper.

READ THESE INSTRUCTIONS FIRST

Write your Centre number, candidate number and name in the spaces provided.

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DO **NOT** WRITE IN ANY BARCODES.

Answer **all** questions in the space provided. If additional space is required, you should use the lined pages at the end of this booklet. The question number(s) must be clearly shown.

Dictionaries are **not** permitted.

The Reading Booklet Insert contains the reading passages for use with **all** questions on the Question paper. The Insert is **not** assessed by the Examiner.

The number of marks is given in brackets [] at the end of each question or part question.

This document consists of **12** printed pages and **1** Insert.

Read carefully **Passage A, Canal Holiday**, in the Reading Booklet Insert and then answer **Questions 1 and 2** on this Question Paper.

Question 1

Imagine you are Zelda's husband, Bob.

Write a letter to your brother who lives abroad telling him about your holiday.

In your letter you should comment on:

- your expectations of the trip
- your feelings about Zelda's behaviour on the first two days of the holiday
- what happened during the rest of the trip.

Base your letter on what you have read in Passage A, but be careful to use your own words. Address each of the three bullet points.

Begin your letter: 'Dear Brian, We've just come back from a trip I arranged for Zelda as a surprise...'.

Write about 250 to 350 words.

Up to 15 marks are available for the content of your answer, and up to 5 marks for the quality of your writing.

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Question 2

Re-read the descriptions of:

- (a)** the storm **and** its effects in paragraph 6, beginning 'No sooner were we inside...';
- (b)** what Zelda enjoys about the morning in paragraph 7, beginning 'Having only managed...'.

Select **four** powerful words or phrases from **each** paragraph. Your choices should include imagery. Explain how each word or phrase selected is used effectively in the context.

Write about 200 to 300 words.

Up to 10 marks are available for the content of your answer.

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Read carefully **Passage B, *The Panama Canal***, in the Reading Booklet Insert and then answer **Questions 3(a)** and **3(b)** on this Question Paper.

Question 3

Answer the questions in the order set.

(a) Notes

What were the challenges faced during the entire construction of the Panama Canal, according to **Passage B**?

Write your answer using short **notes**. **Write one point per line.**

You do not need to use your own words.

Up to 15 marks are available for the content of your answer.

The challenges faced during the entire construction of the Panama Canal:

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(b) Summary

Now use your notes to write a summary of what **Passage B** tells you about the challenges faced during the entire construction of the Panama Canal.

You must use **continuous writing** (not note form) and **use your own words** as far as possible.

Your summary should include all 15 of your points in **Question 3(a)** and must be 200 to 250 words.

Up to 5 marks are available for the quality of your writing.

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