READ THESE INSTRUCTIONS FIRST

Write your Centre number, candidate number and name in the spaces provided.
Write in dark blue or black pen.
Do not use staples, paper clips, glue or correction fluid.
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.
Question 1

Following his successful presentation, Harrold is offered a specialist sales and managerial position as ‘Birdbrain’ in the Birdland section of the company’s brand new megastore. The megastore will replace all three existing local stores which will close next month. Staff not leaving the company will remain on full pay until the new store opens in six months’ time.

Unsure if he should accept, Harrold writes a letter to a friend.

**Write Harrold’s letter to his friend.**

In your letter you should:

- describe your feelings about the various events at home over the past few months
- explain recent changes at work and the factors you are weighing up regarding the proposed position
- discuss the options you are now considering.

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 friend,
I have had quite a bit to think about recently…’.

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.
[Turn over for Question 2]
Question 2

Re-read the descriptions of:

(a) the pet shop and Harrold in paragraph 2, beginning ‘Pet shops had changed…’

(b) people and presentations in paragraph 8, beginning ‘Increasingly animated presentations…’.

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

Write about 200 to 300 words.

Up to 10 marks are available for the content of your answer.
Read carefully Passage B, *Parrots and their parrots*, in the Reading Booklet Insert and then answer Question 3(a) and (b) on this Question Paper.

Question 3

Answer the questions in the order set.

(a) Notes

According to Passage B, what are the arguments some people offer for not keeping parrots as pets and how do responsible owners of pet parrots ensure the well-being of their birds?

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.

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(b) Summary

Now use your notes to write a summary of the arguments some people offer for not keeping parrots as pets and how responsible owners of pet parrots ensure the well-being of their birds, according to Passage B.

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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