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(1EN2/01)

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# Introduction

- The purpose of this pack is to provide teachers and students with some examples of responses to GCSE English Language 2.0 Paper 1: Non-Fiction Texts (1EN2/01)
- The responses in this pack were taken from the November 2023 examination series. The question papers and mark schemes can be found on the Pearson website [here](#).
- In this pack you will find a sample of responses, examiner commentaries and marks.
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## Section A: Reading

### Question 1

#### Script 1

1 Identify **four** points the writer makes about the benefits of hobbies.

- 1 good for well-being
- 2 keeps you busy
- 3 keeps you from temptation out of doors
- 4 gives you something to think about at home

(Total for Question 1 = 4 marks)

#### Examiner comment and mark:

This response covers bullet points 1, 5, 6 & 7 from the mark scheme.

4 marks

#### Script 2

1 Identify **four** points the writer makes about the benefits of hobbies.

- 1 gave him something to think about.
- 2 kept him from temptations of outdoors.
- 3 may be of incalculable benefit.
- 4 found a benefit in later life.

(Total for Question 1 = 4 marks)

#### Examiner comment and mark:

This response covers bullet points 6, 7, 8 & 15 from the mark scheme.

4 marks



### Script 3

1 Identify **four** points the writer makes about the benefits of hobbies.

- 1 'good on the well being'
- 2 'upward path through life by the adoption of a hobby'
- 3 'hobby of his youth becomes one of great utility'
- 4 'hobby - a pursuit in which one can for a time find absorbing interest'

(Total for Question 1 = 4 marks)

#### Examiner comment and mark:

This response covers bullet points 1 & 4 from the mark scheme.

2 marks

## Question 2

### Script 1

- 2 In lines 6–15, the writer is trying to persuade the reader that having a hobby is useful for people of all ages.

Evaluate how successfully this is achieved.

Give **three** reasons for your opinion and use examples from lines 6–15.

(6)

I think the writer is very successful with trying to convince people that hobbies are useful because many elderly people the writer says "When children leave home it ~~leaves~~ gives you benefit"

"The struggle of existing" this gives the reader the idea that life may be easier with a hobby due to the writer saying "struggle"

#### Examiner comment and mark:

This is a limited response. Two quotations are given and although there is no comment offered on the first one, there is a reference to ideas relating to the second. There is a little critical judgement.

#### Level 1 - 2 marks



## Script 2

- 2 In lines 6–15, the writer is trying to persuade the reader that having a hobby is useful for people of all ages.

Evaluate how successfully this is achieved.

Give **three** reasons for your opinion and use examples from lines 6–15.

(6)

The writer is trying to persuade the reader that having a hobby is ~~far~~ useful for people of all ages. This shows us in the text where it says "a young man man has to go abroad to a new land to make his living perhaps pioneering he will find a hobby of youth one of the verry great utility indeed." This shows us that ~~th~~ you could achive anything in life from the skills from your hobby.

The way the writer is trying to persuade the reader that having a hobby is useful for people of all ~~relations~~ <sup>ages</sup> this is shown in the text as it says "Then a genuine hobby - a pursive in which one can for a time find absorbing intress wich may furish" This shows the reader that the writer is saying that a hobby can supply/ provide you in life.



Another way the writer is trying to persuade the reader that having a hobby is useful for ~~them~~ people of all ages is that when he says "others who have the same tastes - may be of innumerable benefits" this shows the reader that the writer is trying to persuade that ~~the~~ ~~hobby~~ hobbies have a limitless / endless benefits which could have successfully achievements for you.

**Examiner comment and mark:**

There are 3 points made here, with supporting and appropriate but quite lengthy references. Explanations are clear but not detailed and evaluative opinion is thin. There is enough to award a mark at the bottom of Level 2.

**Level 2 - 3 marks**

### Script 3

- 2 In lines 6–15, the writer is trying to persuade the reader that having a hobby is useful for people of all ages.


Evaluate how successfully this is achieved.

Give **three** reasons for your opinion and use examples from lines 6–15.

(6)

~~the writer~~ The writer successfully persuades the reader with the fact that it could be extra actual job and if you hone your craft and build on getting better by the day, you can earn a lot of money. The quote "He will find the hobby of his youth becomes one of very great utility indeed" this clearly affects the reader because it shows that anything can be used or trained to make money with.

~~the~~ The writer use of the quote, "Hobbies have a decided tendency for good on the well-being... but of the old" this shows that it doesn't matter what age you start, it shows that you can never start too late and that it will always be beneficial as it gets you active or actively thinking of something to do. The reader is completely compelled alone by the fact that you can stay active but I also there integrated is because that you can never start too late.



The third reason is the writer is successful of portraying hobbies as good, is that it helps with communication of others that share the same hobby or interest. The Quote, "stimulating communication with others who have the same taste" this also proves that it helps you learn from others and can teach others your tricks. Social skills, is good for the reader because they need that to get better at there hobby or learn from others better then you

**Examiner comment and mark:**

This also receives a mark in Level 2. Unfortunately, paragraph 2 is based on the first paragraph of the text and is therefore outside the line references and does not count. The rest of the response shows evidence of clear explanation, especially in the final paragraph and uses appropriate supporting references.

**Level 2 - 3 marks**

## Script 4

- 2 In lines 6–15, the writer is trying to persuade the reader that having a hobby is useful for people of all ages.

Evaluate how successfully this is achieved.

Give **three** reasons for your opinion and use examples from lines 6–15.

(6)

In lines 6–15 I believe the writer is successful with trying to persuade the reader because it says 'no one can ever be worse for having read an honest handicraft' the show the reader that ~~that~~ the writer thinks it adds value to a person.

Another way the writer successfully achieved this is when the writer is talking about 'if a young man was to go abroad' he says that

'the hobby of his youth becomes one of very great utility indeed' this means the skills of ~~with~~ carpentry or joinery are universal and can be transferred through any country this makes the reader think that a hobby is more than just a time filler.



The final way the writer is successful in doing this is when he is talking about when a man is retired & or ("occupation diminishes") the hobby you picked up oh so many years ~~ago~~ ago is still useful for "furnishing gifts ~~of~~ or for stimulating communication with others". It will always be ~~your~~ a part of your life.

**Examiner comment and mark:**

All Level 2 bullet points are met in this response. Explanations and evaluative opinions are clear but not sufficiently developed or analytical to move to Level 3.

**Level 2 - 4 marks**



## Script 5

- 2 In lines 6–15, the writer is trying to persuade the reader that having a hobby is useful for people of all ages.

Evaluate how successfully this is achieved.

Give **three** reasons for your opinion and use examples from lines 6–15.

(6)

In my opinion, the writer has successfully achieved to persuade the reader that having a hobby is useful for people of all ages.

Firstly, he says 'no one can be the worse for having learned an honest handicraft' making the reader think that you don't know when in life you need a skill like this and learning it when you have so much free time can make your life easier further on life. I think that he ~~expla~~ made an important point and made me think that having a hobby now can have ~~his~~ in its important importance.

~~Secondly~~ Secondary, he says 'when children leave the home... then a genuine hobby' makes me think of how much a hobby would occupy my time when or the writer's time when there are no family around or work to do and being alone, having no much to



do can also satisfy our mind in a good way. Leaves me with an idea of how useful a hobby can be and ~~me~~ can fulfil my time alone without feeling alone.

lastly, he says 'stimulating communication with others who have the same tastes', makes me think of how important a hobby is and how exciting it can be when you can also talk about it with another person. leaving me with an idea of how easy is to get to know someone if you have the same hobbies as them, you can talk a more and find more information on maybe something that I didn't know and they did.

(Total for Question 2 = 6 marks)

**Examiner comment and mark:**

This is a full response which meets all Level 3 descriptors. The selection of references is apt and there is convincing engagement with and analysis of ideas. Convincing personal judgement is embedded within the response.

**Level 3 - 6 marks**

## Script 6

- 2 In lines 6–15, the writer is trying to persuade the reader that having a hobby is useful for people of all ages.

Evaluate how successfully this is achieved.

Give **three** reasons for your opinion and use examples from lines 6–15.

(6)

I think the writer has been successfully because it will ~~keep~~ keep them fit in the quote "for" good on well-being." suggest that in the quote "well" suggest that your body will be strong and it also help you keep you fit. It makes the writer think that hobby is very helpful in present and in the future.

I think the writer ~~has~~ has been successful because ~~in~~ everyone wants to ~~to~~ be busy and doing something in the quote it shows that "Filled up his spare moments". "Spare" suggest that you will ~~not~~ be would be free to do some exercise or a sports so that will keep you in good condition. This will <sup>force</sup> effect the writer to do something in his spare time.



I think the writer has been successful because every man, ~~am and~~ women and young generation ~~to~~ to look smart by keeping their self fit and strong in the ~~quote~~ quote "keep kept him from temptations out of door" "Temptations" suggest that ~~the~~ the new generation will not be doing bad things out side with their friends.

**Examiner comment and mark:**

This response cannot receive a mark, as every point is based on the opening paragraph of the text and is therefore outside the required lines.

**0 marks**



## Question 3

### Script 1

3 How does the writer use language to interest and inform the reader?

You should include:

- the writer's use of language
- the effect on the reader.


Use examples from the whole text and relevant subject terminology.

(8)

The writer use language to inform the reader that "many youth have has been started on his upward path" suggesting that if you have a hobby it will become usefull later in life.

As well as, the writer using language to present to the reader that "a hobby adopted in youth may be found a benefit in later life"; The word "adopted" suggests that it is a thing that you chose to keep with and not let down.

finally the writer uses language to have an effect on the reader as it



Suggests that it ~~is~~  
"may be of incalculable  
benefit". "incalculable means  
limitless, which suggest  
that your hobby will  
help you through life."

**Examiner comment and mark:**

There is some comment offered but the 3 references chosen are not explained. Comments are often unclear and vague and do not support the references chosen. No subject terminology is used.

**Level 1 - 2 marks**



## Script 2

### 3 How does the writer use language to interest and inform the reader?

You should include:

- the writer's use of language
- the effect on the reader.

Use examples from the whole text and relevant subject terminology.

(8)

In this extract the writer has explained hobbies to have a 'decided tendency for good' the word decided is a powerful commanding word showing and proving to the reader that hobbies, more time or not, are good for you.

Furthermore the writer has used emotive language 'stimulating communication' to explain having a hobby that others share, this gives the reader a sense of warmth feeling that certain hobbies have a community.

The word 'incalculable' has been used at the end of the extract to explain benefits of having that hobby, this words been used as hyperbole to emphasize how beneficial it is to have a passion or hobby that others share giving the reader a feeling of interest and clarity.

#### Examiner comment and mark:

Points are sometimes basic but there is some explanation. The explanation of the first point is general and unclear, but there is some explanation about the use of emotive language and hyperbole. There are some generally appropriate references.

#### Level 2 - 3 marks

### Script 3

#### 3 How does the writer use language to interest and inform the reader?

You should include:

- the writer's use of language
- the effect on the reader.

Use examples from the whole text and relevant subject terminology.

(8)

The writer uses the ~~metaphor~~ phrase 'adoption of a hobby,' to interest and inform the reader that once you develop a hobby it will be your skill forever, which can then benefit you in 'later life.' This has an effect on there reader as the word 'adoption,' conveys that it is theres and ~~no~~ nobody can change that.

The writer uses effective language in the phrase 'kept him from temptations.' This phrase interest and informs the reader of ~~an~~ ~~important~~ useful benefit you can get from a hobby. This has a positive effect on the reader as ~~everyone~~ they may relate to having temptations and see that getting



a hobby can be very beneficial  
for their ~~real~~ health.

The writer uses ~~a~~ ~~p~~ the powerful  
adjective, 'incalculable', meaning  
limitless, to describe how beneficial  
it is to communicate 'with others  
who have the same tastes.' This has  
an effect on the reader as it shows  
how important it is and that it  
can ~~can~~ have ~~an~~ endless benefits  
for them. It interests and informs  
the reader by stating that it has  
limitless benefits, this then persuades  
them to want to ~~to~~ get a hobby.

**Examiner comment and mark:**

There is some explanation evident in this response, but some comments only paraphrase the selected quotations. A powerful adjective is discussed, but there is not a range of terminology. The explanation of 'incalculable' does show how language achieves effects.

**Level 2 - 3 marks**



## Script 4

### 3 How does the writer use language to interest and inform the reader?

You should include:

- the writer's use of language
- the effect on the reader.

Use examples from the whole text and relevant subject terminology.

(8)

The writer uses a plethora of engaging words, adverbs and adjectives. He starts by telling how "Hobbies have a decided tendency for good" the use of the phrase 'tendency for good' shows how hobbies have a positive correlation on the well being of both young and old. The clear use of the adjective 'tendency' highlights the relationship. The phrase 'Many and many' interests the reader how a copious amount of people have started a hobby. This engages the reader and interests them to take part in the trend.

The writer's use of the word 'temptation' highlights how a hobby can help a man ~~to~~ with self discipline. As he further continues how it can 'benefit' the youth in later life. The clear use of the adjective 'benefit' engages the reader and interests them as they understand how a hobby can be of



such great use for years to come.

The writer then gives the reader a reality check as his use of the verb 'struggle' in ~~the~~ existence is becoming greater and greater. This affects the reader in a friendly manner as the writer is coming off as friendly and giving advice rather than be imperative and commanding. He tells the reader it is not the worst thing to learn in life for ~~a~~ "honest handicraft". The use of the word 'honest' as an adjective signifies how a hobby is a genuine and accepting side occupation to the reader.

Finally the writer also gives the reader another warning for later life with the use of phrases and sentences such as "careers press" and "'~~occupation~~ diminishes". The use of 'press' and 'diminish' impacts the reader as this concerns them about their plan for the future and how a hobby can help them in these dire situations and help them settle in life by establishing communication with other in later life.

(Total for Question 3 = 8 marks)

**Examiner comment and mark:**

The response explores the text with some detailed and appropriate references. There is some range of terminology although not all of it is used accurately, such as the adjective 'tendency'. There is some exploration of how language such as 'press' and 'diminish' are used.

**Level 3 - 5 marks**

## Script 5

### 3 How does the writer use language to interest and inform the reader?

You should include:

- the writer's use of language
- the effect on the reader.

Use examples from the whole text and relevant subject terminology.

(8)

The writer uses language to interest the reader through ~~words~~<sup>verbs</sup> like "pioneering", the word "pioneering" alludes to adventure and exploration of the great ~~and~~ unknown, it provides the reader with vivid imagery. This could make the reader eager and excited to try something new and essentially have an adventure of their own by taking up a hobby like the text suggests.

The writer uses ~~the~~ alliteration in the phrase "honest handycraft" to emphasise and draw attention to his points while still making the text interesting to read, the adjective "honest" provides a feeling of virtuousness which was an important value and highly sought after during the era this text was written, and since being virtuous was so desired in the 1800s many readers would be likely follow the text's suggestions to appease the ~~and~~ reputation focused ideals of the

Victorian era.

In the final line the writer says "a pursuit in which one can for a time find absorbing interest, and which may furnish stimulating communication with others who have the same tastes - may be of incalculable benefit." the writer finalises the text by stating a hobby/interest may be of "incalculable ~~interest~~ benefit" the writer uses the adjective "incalculable" to ~~imply~~ imply the limitlessness and endlessness of a hobby's benefit that would attract the reader to the endless possibilities one could explore and see the ~~incomprehensible~~ <sup>significant</sup> benefit they could achieve from following the writer's advice.

#### Examiner comment and mark:

There are some detailed references and a range of terminology, which is mostly correct. The response explores the text overall and how language is used to achieve effects. There is a lack of analysis to move into Level 4. The most successful exploration focuses on the word 'honest' and the effect on the reader.

#### Level 3 - 6 marks



## Question 4a

### Script 1

4 (a) From lines 7–14, identify **two** hobbies the writer mentions.

(2)

- 1 plant collecting
- 2 pet keeping

#### Examiner comment and mark:

This response covers bullet points 1 & 3 from the mark scheme.

2 marks

### Script 2

4 (a) From lines 7–14, identify **two** hobbies the writer mentions.

(2)

- 1 Walking tour through lovely picturesque scenes
- 2 fishing

#### Examiner comment and mark:

This response covers bullet points 4 & 6 from the mark scheme.

2 marks

### Script 3

4 (a) From lines 7–14, identify **two** hobbies the writer mentions.

(2)

- 1 reading a good book
- 2 listening to music

#### Examiner comment and mark:

This response covers the wrong lines from the extracts

0 marks



## Question 4b

### Script 1

(b) Read this extract.

Anything that draws one out of doors, draws one for a little while out of oneself, is to be commended and encouraged all possible ways. There is medicine beyond price in any one of these pastimes wisely pursued. Anything which innocently tends to reduce the excitement and irritation consequent on the high-pressure at which men and women nowadays must live, or lose ground in the hot race of life in large towns, should be met with smiles by all who love their fellow-men. Even attachment to a rustic locality<sup>3</sup> is something. There we drink in light, and love, and health.

From the extract, identify **two** benefits of outdoor hobbies.

(2)

- 1 reduces irritation of men and women
- 2 they are a price less medicine

#### Examiner comment and mark:

This response covers bullet points 4 & 6 from the mark scheme.

**2 marks**

### Script 2

From the extract, identify **two** benefits of outdoor hobbies.

(2)

- 1 be met with smiles from others
- 2 attachment to rustic locality

#### Examiner comment and mark:

This response covers bullet points 8 & 9 from the mark scheme.

**2 marks**

### Script 3

- 1 encourages people
- 2 hobby is like medicine

#### Examiner comment and mark:

This response covers bullet points 10 from the mark scheme.

**1 mark**

## Question 5

### Script 1

5 Read this extract.

And then for indoor hobbies – when the long evenings set in, and all without is wrapped in frost or covered with snow, how nice then to make cosy the mind with a good book – history, romance, poetry, or science, as it may be, and while the fire blazes and the lights make deep shadows in recesses and corners, to sit solitary and secure. To take the microscope and go over the specimens industriously collected in ramblings in the long summer. It may be that in a corner of a conservatory, set on a slope and the water trickling over them, you have the real thing to revive the memory of your boldest and most trying botanical enterprises when you tramped half-ankle deep in watery moss to find your specimens.

In the extract the writer tries to show that indoor hobbies are interesting and enjoyable for everyone.

Evaluate how successfully this is achieved.

Give **three** reasons for your opinion and use examples from the extract.

(6)

In the extract the writer makes out that every hobby indoors are exciting and enjoyable as it says 'while the fire blazes and the lights make deep shadows'. This quote tells us that being all nice and cozy is as nice as doing hobbies outdoors, but also being indoors nice and warm is most enjoyable.

#### Examiner comment and mark:

1 point is made with an appropriate supporting quotation and there is some explanation. This fulfils all Level 1 qualities.

#### Level 1 - 2 marks

## Script 2

### 5 Read this extract.

And then for indoor hobbies – when the long evenings set in, and all without is wrapped in frost or covered with snow, how nice then to make cosy the mind with a good book – history, romance, poetry, or science, as it may be, and while the fire blazes and the lights make deep shadows in recesses and corners, to sit solitary and secure. To take the microscope and go over the specimens industriously collected in ramblings in the long summer. It may be that in a corner of a conservatory, set on a slope and the water trickling over them, you have the real thing to revive the memory of your boldest and most trying botanical enterprises when you tramped half-ankle deep in watery moss to find your specimens.

In the extract the writer tries to show that indoor hobbies are interesting and enjoyable for everyone.

Evaluate how successfully this is achieved.

Give **three** reasons for your opinion and use examples from the extract.

(6)

Firstly, In the extract the writer tries to show that indoor hobbies are interesting and enjoyable for everyone. My opinion the writer makes me feel that indoor hobbies are interesting and enjoyable by when it says "how nice then to make cosy the mind with a good book" this suggests that you are going to get nice and warm after a wintery snowy day.

Next, In the extract the writer tries to show that indoor hobbies are interesting and enjoyable for everyone. My opinion the writer makes me feel that indoor hobbies are interesting and enjoyable for when it says "to take the microscope" this suggests that you will be looking at all the stars.



Finally, In the extract the writer tries to show that indoor hobbies are interesting and enjoyable for everyone. My opinion the writer makes me ~~feel~~ feel that indoor hobbies are interesting and enjoyable for when it says "Set on a slope and the water trickling over them." This states that it will be really funny to watch.

**Examiner comment and mark:**

This response makes three separate points and there is supporting evidence for these, but there is misinterpretation of the text such as the comment on 'to take the microscope' which is unclear when it is related to looking at the stars. The final comment 'set on a slope and the water trickling down' being 'funny to watch' is also confused. The first comment about enjoying a book cosy at home is valid. Therefore, this only shows limited relevant references to writer's ideas.

**Level 1 - 2 marks**

## Script 3

### 5 Read this extract.

And then for indoor hobbies – when the long evenings set in, and all without is wrapped in frost or covered with snow, how nice then to make cosy the mind with a good book – history, romance, poetry, or science, as it may be, and while the fire blazes and the lights make deep shadows in recesses and corners, to sit solitary and secure. To take the microscope and go over the specimens industriously collected in ramblings in the long summer. It may be that in a corner of a conservatory, set on a slope and the water trickling over them, you have the real thing to revive the memory of your boldest and most trying botanical enterprises when you tramped half-ankle deep in watery moss to find your specimens.

In the extract the writer tries to show that indoor hobbies are interesting and enjoyable for everyone.


Evaluate how successfully this is achieved.

Give **three** reasons for your opinion and use examples from the extract.

(6)

In my opinion the writer successfully achieved this "how nice then to make cosy with the mind with a good ~~book~~ book - history, romance, poetry or science." In my opinion the writer shows that indoor hobbies are interesting and enjoyable for everyone as he goes with a book reading hobby and gives a genre for all to enjoy ~~as~~ so in my opinion the writer successfully achieved this.

In my opinion the writer successfully achieves this "to take a microscope and go over the specimens industriously collected in ramblings over the long summer" in my opinion the writer is



Trying to show how indoor hobbies are interesting by using a ~~book~~ something they done over the summer to create a hobby using the microscope to relive the memory's made that day all from inside the home. In my opinion the writer successfully achieved this.

In my opinion the writer successfully achieved this by "over them, you have the real thing to revive the memory of your boldest and most trying botanical enterprises when trampled half an inch deep in watery moss to find your specimens" In my opinion the writer is trying to show the reader that hobbies are interesting and enjoyable because even after there collected she gets to relive the memory of collecting them, to go through them and look at the things they found interesting so in my opinion the writer has successfully achieved this.

**Examiner comment and mark:**

There is some clear explanation of ideas with the reference to a good book and how this 'shows that indoor hobbies are interesting...'. There are three references, but some general comments made on all three of them, mostly re-stating what the references were in their own words. The final comment is not fully clear and a little generalised.

**Level 2 - 3 marks**

## Script 4

5 Read this extract.

And then for indoor hobbies – when the long evenings set in, and all without is wrapped in frost or covered with snow, how nice then to make cosy the mind with a good book – history, romance, poetry, or science, as it may be, and while the fire blazes and the lights make deep shadows in recesses and corners, to sit solitary and secure. To take the microscope and go over the specimens industriously collected in ramblings in the long summer. It may be that in a corner of a conservatory, set on a slope and the water trickling over them, you have the real thing to revive the memory of your boldest and most trying botanical enterprises when you tramped half-ankle deep in watery moss to find your specimens.

In the extract the writer tries to show that indoor hobbies are interesting and enjoyable for everyone.

Evaluate how successfully this is achieved.

Give **three** reasons for your opinion and use examples from the extract.

(6)

The writer successfully achieves showing that indoor hobbies are interesting and enjoyable for everyone.

One reason being that on the very first line of the extract where the writer has automatically grabbed the readers attention. "When the long evenings set in, and all without is wrapped in frost or covered with snow, how nice then to make cosy the mind with a good book- history, romance, poetry, or science." The writer gives a scenario of the weather being too better and cold to do anything therefore creates a 1950s.



That list includes different genres of books such as romances, poetry or science. The writer shows how enjoyable it can still be inside rather than outside.

Another reason being that the writer on numerous occasions describes the setting you may experience at home. "While the fire blazes and the lights make deep shadows in recesses and corners" The writer attempts to make the setting interesting and paints a warm imagery inside the readers head.

The last reason being that the writer attempts to make your indoor hobby more interesting by taking you on a magical quest towards the end of the extract. "Revive the memory of your boldest and most trying botanical enterprises when you tramped half-an-ankle deep in weedy moss to find your specimens" The writer successfully paints a vivid imagery here inside the readers head.

(Total for Question 5 = 6 marks)

**Examiner comment and mark:**

Three references are made, but the explanations are only sometimes clear, with some generalisation such as 'the writer successfully paints a vivid imagery here inside the readers' head' – a point which is repeated. There is some valid explanation, however, such as 'the writer shows how enjoyable it can still be inside rather than outside.'

**Level 2 - 3 marks**

## Script 5

5 Read this extract.

And then for indoor hobbies – when the long evenings set in, and all without is wrapped in frost or covered with snow, how nice then to make cosy the mind with a good book – history, romance, poetry, or science, as it may be, and while the fire blazes and the lights make deep shadows in recesses and corners, to sit solitary and secure. To take the microscope and go over the specimens industriously collected in ramblings in the long summer. It may be that in a corner of a conservatory, set on a slope and the water trickling over them, you have the real thing to revive the memory of your boldest and most trying botanical enterprises when you tramped half-ankle deep in watery moss to find your specimens.

In the extract the writer tries to show that indoor hobbies are interesting and enjoyable for everyone.

Evaluate how successfully this is achieved.


Give **three** reasons for your opinion and use examples from the extract.

(6)

I think the writer has been successful because they begin to set a warm cosy scene for the reader by using adjectives such as "long", "wrapped" and "covered". These set the scene for the outside of our homes being cold and snowy. They then follow on using the adjectives "cosy" and "blazes". This makes the reader agree with the writer's view that we will all want to be home on these cold dark nights. Also appealing to the majority of the readers who will experience cold winters.

Secondly the writer uses a list when describing the books we may read, "history... or science". This covers a vast amount of topics being sure to appeal to a range of interests, and different people.

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Finally the writer talks about "revive the memory" and continues this with a way you may continue your out door hobbie within the home. Also when he says "revive the memory... botanical enterprise" this will make the reader think back to a happy exciting memory, making them think about and come up with ways to create a indoor hobbie which may bring them as much happiness as there memory.

Overall I think the writer covered a range of activities from "Books" to use of a "microscrope" to include a range of people with different intrests.

**Examiner comment and mark:**

The first paragraph doesn't mention hobbies so lacks focus. The other two ideas are relevant and supported by appropriate references. Overall, there is clear explanation and some clear evaluative opinion offered.

**Level 2 - 4 marks**

## Question 6

### Script 1

6 For this question refer to the whole of Text 2.

'In my view, this text shows that it is important and good for everyone to have a hobby.'

Based on your evaluation of the text, how far do you agree with this opinion?

Use examples from the text to support your evaluation.

(12)

I totally agree with this ~~text~~<sup>view</sup> because having a hobby could help and benefit with a lot of different things like your mental health <sup>and</sup> ~~and~~ hobby are good for ~~young people~~ & later stages in life.

~~for the text~~ Another reason why I agree is because genuine hobbies could help get jobs and future work so I think having hobby would help young people know what they want to do in the future.

Hobby isn't just for ~~everyone~~<sup>young</sup> people everyone could pick up a hobby like for an example hobbies are great for older people to keep them active and fit.



Hobbies like cycling, running, tennis are very good for the body because ~~it~~ those are great way for men and women to stay fit and healthy.

**Examiner comment and mark:**

There is very limited reference to the text in this response although some of the points may be loosely based on it (cycling, tennis). Limited evaluative assertions are made but the lack of specific focus on the writer's ideas, limits the marks to Level 1.

**Level 1 - 2 marks**

## Script 2

6 For this question refer to the whole of Text 2.

'In my view, this text shows that it is important and good for everyone to have a hobby.'

Based on your evaluation of the text, how far do you agree with this opinion?

Use examples from the text to support your evaluation.

(12)

Yes I very much ~~also~~ agree with this statement, the whole text pretty much summarises why it's important to have a hobby, the first statement says "to gently and healthfully exercise the mind" this summarises that it doing a hobby helps you mentally, by giving you something to focus on it takes your mind whatever is bothering you in life.

It talks about how men and women struggle in the statement "men and women nowadays must live, or lose ground in the hot race of life" this because of the pressure people are put on so finding a hobby will definitely help them.

### Examiner comment and mark:

This is quite a brief response but there are 2 valid references to the text. Comments and evaluative opinions are straightforward. All the bullet points in Level 2 are touched on but not fully met and therefore a mark of 3 was awarded.

### Level 2 - 3 marks



### Script 3

6 For this question refer to the whole of Text 2.

'In my view, this text shows that it is important and good for everyone to have a hobby.'

Based on your evaluation of the text, how far do you agree with this opinion?

Use examples from the text to support your evaluation.

(12)

<sup>strongly</sup>  
I agree with this statement and I believe throughout the whole text it is important for everyone to have a hobby. Throughout lines 7-14 the writer gives a range of hobbies and also gives their viewpoint on what makes these hobbies so delightful and beneficial.

"There are some in which both sexes can join and share, and this doubles the delight and benefit" "Pleasures of plant-collecting, ramble or fern-hunt delights of pet keeping" and so on.. The writer not only gives you a list of hobbies but involves every sex to take place in these sort of hobbies. This is a good way the writer persuades the reader that these hobbies are good for everyone because he expresses



that all sexes are entitled to enjoy these hobbies with another. This is also emphasizing that the both male and female will enjoy see others company and will create happiness and a close bond or relationship with one another.

Another reason I can see that these hobbies are exciting therefore they are good for everyone because of the use of the adjective "delights" The writer shows a use of repetition with this adjective to engage with the reader that they really are exciting as they seem which impacts me because it would engage me and determinate me into choosing one of these hobbies.

**Examiner comment and mark:**

All Level 2 descriptors are met in this response and it moves just into Level 3 in the second paragraph, where there is some evidence of clear explanation.

**Level 3 - 5 marks**

## Script 4

6 For this question refer to the whole of Text 2.

'In my view, this text shows that it is important and good for everyone to have a hobby.'

Based on your evaluation of the text, how far do you agree with this opinion?

Use examples from the text to support your evaluation.

(12)

I strongly agree that it is important and good for everyone to have a hobby. This is because firstly a hobby is used to gently and healthfully exercise the mind. This means that having a hobby is a benefit to improve on mental health and wellbeing. Therefore you will feel more positive when having a hobby to go to when you are feeling down or bored.

Secondly, in the text they refer to the hobbies as being 'medicine'. This tells us that having a hobby cures your ~~various~~ problems such as boredom or loneliness as you will always have something to do whenever you are free.

Thirdly, in text 2 it says, "Shakespeare was a lover of music, and made it a hobby" this tells us that anyone and everyone can have a hobby even famous people. This shows they are important and good for everyone.

as no matter who you are you can have a hobby.

In conclusion, throughout the whole of text 2 the writer shows the importance of having a hobby no matter your age, sex or if you have an indoor or outdoor hobby it is like a medicine and brings out the better you. Therefore, I strongly agree that this text shows the importance and good of for everyone to have a hobby.

**Examiner comment and mark:**

This is a clear and methodical response, which selects appropriate references and explains clearly how they support personal judgement. The response is sound without moving towards analytical and was therefore placed in the middle of Level 3.

**Level 3 - 6 marks**



## Script 5

6 For this question refer to the whole of Text 2.

'In my view, this text shows that it is important and good for everyone to have a hobby.'

Based on your evaluation of the text, how far do you agree with this opinion?

Use examples from the text to support your evaluation.

(12)

In my opinion, ~~the~~ I agree with the statement about and believe that it is true that the text shows the important and benefits of having a hobby. Firstly, because it demonstrates that there are hobbies out there for all interest and abilities. For example, it talks about: "plant collecting", "pet keeping", "bicycles", "fishing-punt", "music, too, hath charms". ~~All~~ All these examples are just some of the hobbies, yet, they alone already cater for a large group of people.

Another way in which the text shows the important of hobbies is describing the health benefits. For example the text states "As a safety-valve for a steam engine, so is a hobby for a busy man - to gently and healthily exercise the mind." This ~~is~~ shows that even if one has a busy life with little free time, it is still important and good for everyone to have a hobby to relax, relieve

Stress and develop the mind.

lastly, the text shows the importance of hobbies by suggesting that both indoor and outdoor hobbies are beneficial and ~~add~~ develop oneself whatever the weather and mood. It lists the types and benefits of each indoor and outdoor hobbies to show that it is possible - and a good idea - for everyone to partake. For example, when talking of outdoor hobbies, the text states "Anything that draws one out of doors, draws one for a little while out of oneself." And, when talking about indoor hobbies the text states "when the long evenings set in, and all without is wrapped in frost." Both ~~is~~ examples show that sometimes there is a better time for indoor or outdoor hobbies and yet, still both are good and important.

In conclusion, I agree with the statement and think that the text thoroughly demonstrates that hobbies are important and good for everyone.

#### Examiner comment and mark:

This is a secure Level 4 response. The selection of references is appropriate and detailed and they fully support the points being made. There is developed analysis in places and the response covers a range of ideas. There is evidence of detailed personal judgements.

#### Level 4 - 9 marks

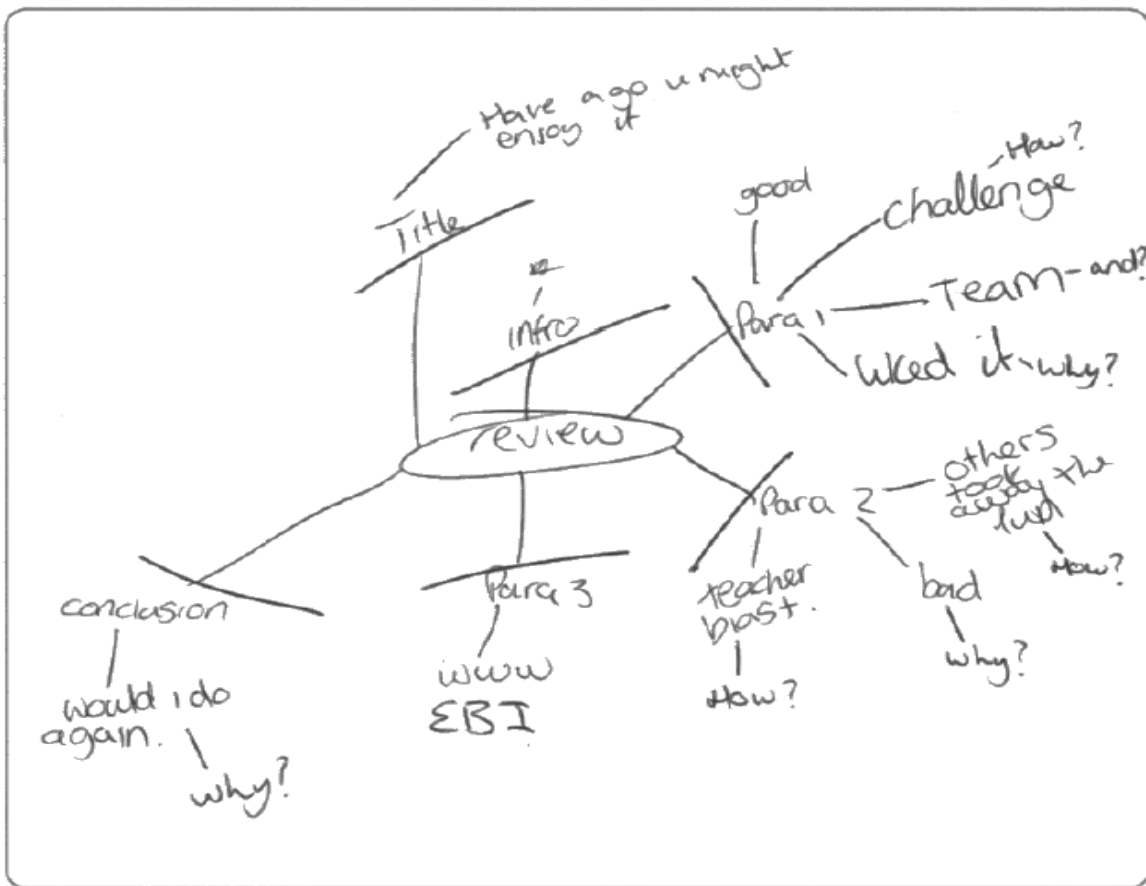
# Section B: Writing

## Question 7

### Script 1

Chosen question number: **Question 7**  **Question 8**

Plan your answer to Section B here:



Write your answer to Section B here:

Have a go! You might enjoy it!

Most of us have thought about taking part in an activity but aren't sure if we'll enjoy it. When I was invited to take part in this particular activity I



wasn't convinced that I would like it.  
So here are the highs, the lows  
and what I really thought.

To start with I am going to start  
talking about the highs of the task.  
I was working in a group which  
really helped me as I'm quiet. The  
task taught me how to work as  
a team, listen to others and how to  
communicate well. Also while I was  
doing the task I was put under  
pressure like a tire on a car wheel.  
There was a time limit and we were  
against other groups.

On the other hand, these are the lows  
about the task. I didn't like the other  
groups that were also participating in  
the task. Not because they were better,  
They all took the fun away. It was  
like a vacuum came and sucked all the  
fun out. They were so serious and ruined it.  
Also my teacher was always with the  
same group helping them. To me that is  
so unfair. How would you feel in



## my shoes right now?

I am now going to talk about what went well in the task that would apply to others as well. It was really intense and upbeat. I believe that's a key thing to have as it makes it fun.

Whereas on the other hand I believe it would be even better if the teacher was fair and that not everyone was playing like it's their last time. As I believe that it took the fun out.

Would I play again? Indeed I would. I enjoyed myself minus the little set backs but yes I would. I really thought it helped with character building.

### Examiner comment and mark:

**AO5** – There is some ability to communicate clearly with an awareness of audience and purpose, although it is not clear what the activity is. Paragraphing is used and there is a range of structural devices evident, but there are several short sentences and some straightforward use of tone and register such as 'I am now going to talk about...'.  
**AO6** – There is varied vocabulary, mostly spelt correctly, and largely accurate and varied punctuation. The grammar is sound, with some slightly awkwardly phrased sentences.

**AO5 - Level 2 - 8 marks**

**AO6 - Level 2 - 8 marks**



## Script 2

Chosen question number: **Question 7**  **Question 8**

**Plan your answer to Section B here:**

When I went skiing  
hated cold  
Came back wishing  
I was still there

**Write your answer to Section B here:**

Have a go! You might enjoy it!

See when most people (just like me) think about skiing, imagine cold, wet, windy and grey weather and just not an enjoyable time in general. However fear not; I have good news ~~it~~ skiing is the best



activity ever! I absolutely hate the cold, don't get me wrong, but for some reason ~~when~~ when you're all snug in your wintery gear you tend to actually feel very warm.

It's not the most expensive ~~travelling~~ activity and you can bring family or friends along side with you. Being at the top of a white rigid mountain is breath taking, for miles and miles the deep and curious valleys continue leaving your vision satisfied, and that's before you even start skiing.

It's very easy to get the hang of skiing as it's just being stood upright going forwards however for your first time it could be a slight struggle. As you descend gracefully from the top of the peak you may pass a gorgeous small restaurant where you can hang up your skis and have a relaxing pint or bowl of fries.

Overall I now consider skiing one of my favourite hobbies and enjoy the thought of a snowy cold mountain. And you can too! Don't hesitate and book a trip now!

**Examiner comment and mark:**

**AO5** – This response demonstrates a clear ability to communicate clearly and selects material to suit audience and purpose with some connected information and ideas. Paragraphing helps make the meaning clear.

**AO6** – There is varied vocabulary with some accurate and varied punctuation and sound holistic grammatical devices, but not enough range in evidence to move higher than mid-Level 3.

**AO5 - Level 3 - 12 marks**

**AO6 - Level 3 - 9 marks**



### Script 3

Plan your answer to Section B here:

3 Day camping trip  
Hunting/tracking ✓  
fishing ✓  
Setting up camp/Lodge ✓  
Rock climbing  
Rafting

Write your answer to Section B here:

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Have a go! You might enjoy it!


Most of us have thought about taking part in an ~~ed~~ activity but aren't sure if ~~that~~ we'll enjoy it. When I was invited to take part in this activity I wasn't convinced I would actually like it. So here are the highs, lows and what I really thought.

As young adults, a confusing time is going on in your lives with school or college, exams, relationships and so on and it can be really tough no matter who you are. The one bit of advice I would like to give would be to make sure every so often you give your mind a little break from all the stress as too much will just ~~make~~ make your head explode. Just turn your phone off and disappear for a couple of days doing something you love.

You don't have something to do that you love?

That's where this review comes in handy then. How does this sound? 3 day trip, nobody around but your friends and group leader, catch what you eat and make your own ~~shelter~~ shelter. Yes that's right extreme camping. There is nothing better ~~than~~ for a young adult than to learn how to survive on your own out in the wild like our ancestors did.

So the experience is ~~split into~~ 3 days long and is split up with different activities each day. On the first day, you do a 10 mile hike to get to the forest. Once you are in the forest you then have to find a suitable place to live for the next 3 days and ~~one~~ once you have done that you are ready to start your activities. ~~and~~ You will be very hungry after making your den and the hike so the first task is the one you do the most and my favourite, Hunting. This can be from fish, rabbit, squirrel, fox ~~just an example~~



etc but it tends to be mainly vermin. The weapons used for this is usually bow and arrow or spear but don't panic you are taught how to use them safely at the start. You are also taught how to fish the old ~~fish~~ ~~is~~ ~~fashioned~~ ~~the~~ fashioned way with just the line and a ~~the~~ self-made hook which I absolutely loved although it's as hard as catching a bullet with your teeth. When you have caught ~~the~~ your dinner that is it for the first day.

On the second day as soon as ~~you~~ the sun comes you are up ~~&~~ to hunt for the food for the full day (you have to catch a bit more as day 2 ~~and~~ is very tiring). Once you have had your breakfast you start your hike to the ridge for a big ~~the~~ hike and rock climbing. Although I didn't enjoy this as much as day 1, ~~&~~ it is still a great experience and you get to see some amazing ~~&~~ views from the top of

## the Ridge

And then finally day 3, the shortest day, is in my opinion the best day of the 3 because you wake up early and head down to the river to fish. Once you have caught something you start to collect big pieces of wood for your raft. Yes Rafting. Apart from hunting this was the best thing to do in my opinion and I know a lot of you reading this will love it.

All in all I would have to say this has been ~~one~~ one of the best experiences of my life. I found out a lot about myself and I would 100% recommend to anyone out there who wants to add a bit of excitement to their lives because honestly you will go in there as young adults and leave as ~~fast~~ Men and Women.

### Examiner comment and mark:

**AO5** – The learner shows secure ability to communicate clearly, effectively and imaginatively. There is some effective use of tone and register with some rhetorical questions and direct address. Ideas are largely managed with some cohesive use of structural and grammatical features.

**AO6** – There is a wide selective vocabulary with occasional spelling errors and a reasonable range of punctuation used for effect, but not all of it is secure and accurate. There is sound holistic use of grammar and vocabulary.

**AO5 - Level 4 - 17 marks**

**AO6 - Level 4 - 11 marks**



## Question 8

### Script 1

**Plan your answer to Section B here:**

**Write your answer to Section B here:**

Hello everyone I have gathered you all here today to talk to you about what you can do in your spare time. The first thing I would recommend is revision because 55% of young people don't revise for their exams and if you do revise it increases your chances by 25%.



A second reason why you should find  
 a hobby is for your mental health  
 because tests today give students  
~~that~~ under 17 anxiety levels of an  
<sup>insane</sup> ~~insane~~ person. The reason why I know  
 this is because I was one of them  
 and I joined a dance team and that  
 brings me to my next point doing  
 sports for hobbies can increase your  
 fitness so much its unbelievable.

getting hobbies can get you new  
 friends and that will help you later on  
 in life as you'll have people around  
 you who support you through anything.

**Examiner comment and mark:**

**A05** – This is a brief (but not limited) response. There is an awareness of purpose and audience and some ability to communicate clearly but ideas lack development.

**A06** – There is a range of correctly spelt vocabulary but less control over punctuation. This just edges into the bottom of Level 2 but is not sufficiently secure to move any higher.

**A05 - Level 2 - 6 marks**

**A06 - Level 2 - 5 marks**

## Script 2

Chosen question number: **Question 7**

**Question 8**

Plan your answer to Section B here:

'Don't waste your  
spare time'

"You should not waste any spare time that you have because you can use that time to be getting on with something useful for example hobbies, improving your skills and spending time with the people that you love. You can get so much done with spare time ~~it's essential~~ ~~it's a waste of time for a reason~~ so use it wisely"

Write your answer to Section B here:

"You should not waste any free time that you have. You could be using that time for a whole lot of other things. Such as: improving skills, doing things that you enjoy, or just simply spending time



with the people that you love. Why waste any spare time that you have when you could be using that time for much more useful things. You could be out exploring, going for walks, or just ~~stump~~ simply going outside for some fresh air. You can get revision done if you have any tests, you could be getting some homework out of the way, or you could simply read a book. ~~It is a waste of your spare time.~~ You could get involved in chess, you could ~~be~~ go play with a pet, you could write a story, or you could even play an instrument and get better at it and try to learn a new song. You could be revising for a test or an exam, you could do some painting. Stop wasting your spare time and use that time to do something that is useful and that is gonna help you instead of wasting it. Get as much done as you



Can in those spare minutes or ~~hours~~  
even hours instead of wasting  
an opportunity to do something  
that is not gonna benefit you  
in any way. If you are needing  
to do something and you have that  
spare time, then use that spare  
time, because it will be worth  
it and you might regret it  
later on wards. When you know you  
have the opportunity to do it and use  
your spare time, ~~but~~ but you didn't.

**Examiner comment and mark:**

**A05** – This response offers a number of ideas and sustains an awareness of purpose and audience. There is quite an effective use of imperatives but there is also a lot of repetition ('you could') and an absence of paragraphs. Ideas are listed rather than developed. A 'best fit' mark is at the top of Level 2.

**A06** - There is some control of punctuation and spelling is mostly accurate, making for quite a clear response. All Level 2 descriptors are met but the response lacks the variety to move into Level 3.

**A05 - Level 2 - 9 marks**

**A06 - Level 2 - 7 marks**

### Script 3

Chosen question number: **Question 7**  **Question 8**

**Plan your answer to Section B here:**

- Outdoor activities : walking , bicycling
- Indoor activities : reading , dancing

Rewarding , enjoyable

**Write your answer to Section B here:**

*'Don't waste your spare time'*

Hi everyone ! I am Angelika and I would like to persuade ~~you~~ this lovely group to do something useful with your free time. I will speak about different types of activities that might be tried, how to get involved and the benefits of using spare time to do something useful.



Firstly, let's talk about different ~~and~~ outdoor ~~and~~ and indoor activities, you can do alone or with other people. For example, my favourites are walking and bicycling. Walking is the easiest activity you can do and it's does not require any equipment so it is absolutely free. You can take a walk in a park, in a city or in the countryside where you can see wonderful scenes, especially in the summer months. Walking is beneficial for you because it improves your health, well-being and reduces stress. Bicycling also does amazing changes to your body and well-being. You can do it alone, ~~with~~ with your family or friends. For example, if you had a long, <sup>stressed</sup> day just grab your bicycle and go. It will help! Trust me!

Other activities you can do outside <sup>include</sup> ~~and~~ running, kayaking, mountain biking, swimming and many more.

Now, let's talk about some indoor activities you can do in your spare time. Again, I will tell a bit for you about my favourite one, which is reading. Reading improves your mental health, well-being and keeps you away from the ~~busy~~ ~~and~~ busy everyday life. It gives you peace, ~~and~~ calms you down and helps to relax. Reading is important because it improves your vocabulary and this <sup>is</sup> ~~is~~ beneficial, especially for those who are learning a new language.

Other activities you can do inside include painting, cooking and trying new recipes, or sports such as ~~the~~



dancing, ping-pong, yoga and many more.  
These hobbies and activities are interesting, <sup>rewarding</sup> ~~and~~ and  
enjoyable for people of all ages.

**Examiner comment and mark:**

**AO5** – This is a secure Level 3 response, which communicates ideas clearly and selects material and stylistic devices to suit purpose and audience. There is some development of ideas and structural and grammatical features usually make meaning clear. Although it meets all Level 3 descriptors in places, this is not fully sustained and it was given a mark of 13, just below the top of the level.

**AO6** – Again, this is a secure Level 3 response, using some variety of vocabulary and accurate spelling. A range of punctuation is used for effect.

**AO5 - Level 3 - 13 marks**

**AO6 - Level 3 - 9 marks**

## Script 4

Chosen question number: **Question 7** ☒ **Question 8** ☒

Plan your answer to Section B here:

Activities to do -

- Join the gym
- Go for frequent walks
- Go to the Cinema with friends.

How to get involved -

- Schedule a time each week to plan what days to go to the gym.
- You can go on walks whenever you want, ask a friend to go with you or a family member, take your dogs with you.


Benefits -

- more exercise
- healthy lifestyle
- positive mental attitude
- keeps the brain running, so you don't feel like you're being lazy.

~~guarantee~~  
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Write your answer to Section B here:

Many of us have had that feeling of laziness or even boredom. I can guarantee at least 50% of us in this room has said "I can't wait for the weekend, I'm going to do this" but when the weekend actually comes almost everytime we just stay in bed watching Netflix or Disney and stuff our faces



with Chocolate or Sweets. Now I am not saying that's a bad thing, in fact once in a while it's good to do absolutely nothing because it's extremely important to give our bodies and mind a rest and just relax and if that means eating chocolate while drinking sugary drinks then that is amazing. I know my type of relaxing is eating Chinese food while watching Harry Potter but that's just me.

However, being productive is also extremely important, now I'm not saying go for a 10k run every day because that's just crazy, but going for walks to get some of that cold fresh air and stretch them tense muscles. Going for a walk with your family or friends can ensure you keep that social flow as well as physical flow because I know from experience being cooped up inside all day doesn't put you in best of moods and you won't want to speak to anyone or socialise in any way shape or form.

If you're not a fan of walks or the English weather but you still want to get some fitness into your routine, you can go to the gym, get a gym membership with your mates and tell them to stop being lazy. Schedule times for each



week to plan what days you want to go to the gym, that feeling before going when you try to find every possible excuse to not go, well I know that feeling first hand but once your there and you've got your music blasting in your ears it's actually really fun. I'm not saying go to the gym because you need to do more fitness or be healthier, not at all! It gives you a better and more positive mental attitude, sure it also benefits your physical well being but also you're using your spare time in a more positive beneficial way.

Now if you love sitting around for hours watching a film, do that! Go to the cinema with your mates eat popcorn, drink fizzy pop just dont isolate yourselves from your friends and family. I know when your at work or college it can get stressful and crowded, so all you want to do go home and be alone in peace. You can do that but make sure you dont over do it, keeping in contact with your friends, family, neighbours can be a major benefit because no one wants to be stressed and angry all the time, so socializing with people is like a medicine for the mind and soul.



**Examiner comment and mark:**

**AO5** - This response demonstrates the ability to communicate clearly and uses an effective tone to suit purpose and audience. Ideas are structured and grammatical features usually employed cohesively and deliberately, although there are occasional lapses. This is a secure Level 4 response and was placed in the middle of the level.

**AO6** - All Level 3 descriptors are met and this moves just into Level 4. Sentence structures are managed for deliberate effect and a wide, selective vocabulary is used.

**AO5 - Level 4 - 17 marks**

**AO6 - Level 4 - 11 marks**