

English Language 2.0

PAPER 2: Contemporary Texts

Total Marks

Time: 1 hour 55 minutes

In the boxes below, write your name, centre number and candidate number.

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YOU MUST HAVE

Source Booklet

YOU WILL BE GIVEN

Nil

INSTRUCTIONS

Answer ALL questions in Section A and ONE in Section B.

You should spend about 1 hour and 10 minutes on Section A.

You should spend about 45 minutes on Section B.

Answer the questions in the spaces provided – there may be more space than you need.

INFORMATION

The total mark for this paper is 80.

The marks for EACH question are shown in brackets – use this as a guide as to how much time to spend on each question.

Questions labelled with an ASTERISK (*) are ones where the quality of your written communication will be assessed – you should take particular care on these questions with your spelling, punctuation and grammar, as well as the clarity of expression.

ADVICE

Read each question carefully before you start to answer it.

Check your answers if you have time at the end.

SECTION A

Reading

You should spend about 1 hour and 10 minutes on this section.

Read Text 1 in the Source Booklet and answer Questions 1–2.

Write your answers in the spaces provided.

- 1 From lines 5–18, identify ONE thing the cyclist does to try to get away from the other riders.**

(Total for Question 1 = 1 mark)

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2 Read the extract for Question 2 in the Source Booklet.

In the extract, how does the writer use language to show his negative feelings about the situation he is in?

**Use examples from the extract and relevant subject terminology.
(6 marks)**

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(Total for Question 2 = 6 marks)

**Read Text 2 in the Source Booklet
and answer Questions 3–4.**

**Write your answers in the
spaces provided.**

**3 Read the extract for Question 3 in the
Source Booklet.**

**From the extract, identify ONE way
the reader understands that Clerfayt is
in trouble.**

(Total for Question 3 = 1 mark)

4 The writer presents an exciting event.

How does the writer try to interest and engage the reader?

You should include:

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

**Use examples from the whole text and relevant subject terminology.
(10 marks)**

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(Total for Question 4 = 10 marks)

Questions 5–6 are on both Text 1 and Text 2.

Remember to refer to both texts in your answers.

Write your answers in the spaces provided.

- 5 Text 1 and Text 2 both show people trying hard to win. The experiences are different, but they share some similarities.**

Write a summary giving THREE separate ways the experiences are similar.

**Support EACH SEPARATE SIMILARITY with evidence from BOTH texts.
(6 marks)**

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(Total for Question 5 = 6 marks)

6 Compare the writers' ideas and perspectives about competitive races.

You should compare the:

- **main ideas**
- **points of view**
- **presentation of these ideas and views.**

**Use examples from both texts to support your comparison.
(16 marks)**

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(Total for Question 6 = 16 marks)

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SECTION B

Writing

**Answer ONE question in this section.
You should spend about 45 minutes
on this section.**

**Write your answer in the
space provided.**

EITHER

***7 Write an imaginative piece that starts
with the line:**

‘This was my moment.’

***Your response will be marked
for the accurate and appropriate
use of vocabulary, spelling,
punctuation and grammar.**

(Total for Question 7 = 40 marks)

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OR

- *8 Write about a time when you, or someone you know, took part in a competition.**

Your response could be real or imagined.

You may wish to base your response on one of the images on pages 38 and 39 or use any ideas of your own.

***Your response will be marked for the accurate and appropriate use of vocabulary, spelling, punctuation and grammar.**

(Total for Question 8 = 40 marks)

BEGIN YOUR ANSWER ON PAGE 40

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Photograph 1 – A group of five friends is playing video games at home. Two of them have the controllers and the rest are watching them play.



Photograph 2 – A young woman is singing on stage in a concert.



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Indicate which question you are answering by marking a cross in the box ☒. If you change your mind, put a line through the box ~~☒~~ and then indicate your new question with a cross ☒.

Chosen question number:

Question 7 ☐

Question 8 ☐

Plan your answer to Section B here and on page 41:

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SOURCES

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