

## SECTION C: Writing

Answer ONE question from this section.

You should spend 1 hour on your chosen question.

Do not re-tell events from Text One or Text Two in the Extracts Booklet.

Write approximately 400 words on one of the following:

**EITHER**

9 'One person can make a positive difference.' To what extent do you agree with this?

(Total for Question 9 = 30 marks)

**OR**

10 Write a story (true or imaginary) entitled 'The Challenge'.

(Total for Question 10 = 30 marks)

**OR**

11 Describe a time when you felt nervous.

(Total for Question 11 = 30 marks)

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 9 ☒ Question 10 ☒ Question 11 ☒

To a large extent, I agree with the statement 'One person can make a positive difference.' Nowadays, there are many people who join organisations to make change in society. Together, these people work hard to fight for what they believe in and cultivate positive differences. However, is this possible for one person alone? This essay will give reasons why one person can, in fact, make a positive difference.

To begin with, it does not take much to make a positive difference. When you think of the words



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'making positive differences' what do you think of? Actually, it does not need to be a very big, extravagant act. It could be as small as smiling at your neighbour or cheering up a friend after a bad day. These little acts can create a huge difference. There are many problems to tackle, big and small, so facing smaller ones, such as standing up for a bullied friend, or helping others overcome adversity, can be just as important as facing larger scale problems, such as fighting sexism or solving the lack of water in some minority countries.

Additionally, one person can do a lot. A single person can do much more than a group of people can, as long as that person puts in a lot of effort. One person can join multiple charities, organisations, campaigns, projects, spread kindness, help others and much more. These all contribute to making positive differences, and could be far more effective than a group of people doing one single activity.

Some critics may say that it takes a group of people to make positive differences. They may believe that one person is not enough to make change. However, this is false because even a small amount of help can make a huge difference. It does not take an abundance of people to contribute positively towards cultivating change. It only takes a single person, putting in effort, and believing that they can do it. It takes bravery, courage,



perseverance, passion and determination to make positive change, not a large number of people.

To conclude, I agree with the statement 'one person can make a positive difference' to a large extent, because it does not take much to do so. Furthermore, one person can actually contribute a lot and make more change than a group of people could. Have you ever heard of the expression "quality over quantity?" This expression can relate to this topic, because it shows that the number of people does not matter, it is the quality of commitment that does. Therefore, as long as one person puts their heart and soul into creating positive differences, then they can achieve it.

