

Question style for 4EB1 November 2021 to June 2022

This table provides an overview of the question style used in the question papers for 4EB1. 'R papers' are those sat by centres in countries with major time differences to GMT. The questions are abbreviated.

Section A: Reading

?	November 2021	January 2022	January 2022 R paper	June 2022	June 2022 R paper
1	Read Text One in the Extracts Booklet, adapted from an article called The Benefits of Positive Thinking — and How You Can Do More of It. Using lines 21–24, identify one of the benefits of being positive.	Read Text One in the Extracts Booklet, adapted from a novel called Hotel du Lac. Using lines 11–22, state one of the attractions that is missing from the hotel.	Read Text One in the Extracts Booklet, adapted from a novel called Brazzaville Beach. In lines 22–30, the narrator describes the countryside she passes through. Name one feature she sees.	Read Text One in the Source Booklet, adapted from a blog called Yes, Good Grammar Is (Still) Important, and Here's Why. 'People are sometimes wary of interacting with me.' Using lines 6–14, identify one reason the writer gives for this.	Read Text One in the Source Booklet, adapted from an article called Buried treasure is real – this is how to find it and whether you have to give it back. Using the section 'Step one – get equipped', identify one piece of equipment that is useful for treasure hunters.
2	Using the section 'Spread Some Kindness', give one suggestion the writer makes about helping others.	In lines 40–44, the writer makes some positive points about the hotel and its location.	Using lines 44–48, identify one of the buildings the narrator passes.	Using the section 'Good grammar' is a brand ambassador, identify one way the writer says good grammar is important.	In the section 'Where to look for treasure' the writer offers advice. Name one place where he suggests treasure might be found.

3	Explain how the writer presents her advice about positive thinking.	Explain how the writer describes the Hotel Du Lac.	Explain how the narrator describes her journey.	How does the writer present her ideas about the importance of good grammar?	How does the writer present his advice for treasure hunters?
4	Read Text Two in the Extracts Booklet, adapted from an article called Why Positive Thinking Doesn't (Always) Work. Using lines 29–34, identify one way the writer says positive thinking might be harmful.	Read Text Two in the Extracts Booklet, adapted from a review called Hans Brinker Hotel: the worst hotel in the world? Using lines 13–18, state one of the problems the writer expects to experience in the hotel.	Read Text Two in the Extracts Booklet, adapted from an article called How to road trip without a car: the cheapest and best ways to travel long distance. In lines 12–21, the writer gives some advantages of travelling by train.	Read Text Two in the Source Booklet, adapted from an article called How technology is changing the English Language. In lines 17–25, the writer identifies different types of internet user. Name one of them.	Read Text Two in the Source Booklet, adapted from an article called Lost treasures and how to find them. Using lines 5–9, state one of the things the writer says about the trains.
5	In lines 42–49, the writer identifies some benefits of being a pessimist. State two of them.	In lines 30–37, the writer describes her room. Identify two of the points she makes about the room.	In the section Cycle the most scenic road trip routes, the writer gives reasons to encourage the reader to cycle. Identify two of them.	'The internet has rapidly changed the way we communicate.' Using lines 39–52, state two changes the writer identifies.	In lines 25–32, the writer describes some of the places that treasure might be hidden. Identify two of the places he mentions.
6	Explain how the writer persuades the reader that negativity might have some benefits.	Explain how the writer presents her expectations and experiences of the Hans Brinker Hotel.	How does the writer present his ideas to travellers?	How does the writer, Richard Godwin, present ideas about the effect of technology on the English language?	Explain how the writer presents his opinions about treasure hunting.
7	Compare how the writers of Text One and Text Two present their ideas and perspectives about positive and negative thinking.	Compare how the writers of Text One and Text Two present their ideas and perspectives about places to stay.	Compare how the writers of Text One and Text Two present their ideas and perspectives about journeys.	Compare how the writers of Text One and Text Two present ideas and perspectives about good grammar and the effect of	Compare how the writers of Text One and Text Two present their ideas and perspectives about treasure hunting.

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Section B: Reading and Writing

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8	Use ideas from BOTH Text One and Text Two in the Extracts Booklet to answer this question. You have been asked to give a talk to your peers to advise them on how they can change their outlook on life. Write the text of your talk. You should include: • reasons why people might want to change their outlook on life • how to be positive • how some negativity might be good for us	Use ideas from BOTH Text One and Text Two in the Extracts Booklet to answer this question. A website for travellers is looking for contributions on the topic of places to stay. Write your contribution. You should include: • the different types of people who stay in hotels • the good things about places to stay • the bad things about places to stay.	Use ideas from BOTH Text One and Text Two in the Extracts Booklet to answer this question. A friend of yours is planning a journey. Write a letter to your friend about the different types of transport that could be used on the journey. You should include: • positive points about using different types of transport • negative points about using different types of transport • what might be experienced on the journey.	Use ideas from BOTH Text One and Text Two in the Source Booklet to answer this question. A website is asking for contributions about the importance of clear written communication. Write your contribution. You should include: • the problems caused by unclear written communication • the positive effects of technology on written communication • why good grammar matters.	Use ideas from BOTH Text One and Text Two in the Source Booklet to answer this question. You have been asked to give a talk to your peers about treasure hunting. Write the text of your talk. You should include: • advice for treasure hunters • what might be found • problems that might be experienced.

Section C: Writing, approximately 400 words

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9	Do not re-tell events from Text One or Text Two in the Extracts Booklet. 'Always look on the bright side.' To what extent do you agree with this?	Do not re-tell events from Text One or Text Two in the Extracts Booklet. Discuss whether travel broadens the mind.	Do not re-tell events from Text One or Text Two in the Extracts Booklet. 'Be adventurous.' To what extent do you agree with this statement?	Do not re-tell events from Text One or Text Two in the Source Booklet. 'English has changed greatly as a result of the internet and modern technology.' Discuss.	Do not re-tell events from Text One or Text Two in the Source Booklet. 'People who look for excitement and danger are foolish.' To what extent do you agree with this statement?
10	Write a story (true or imaginary) entitled 'The Choice'.	Write a story (true or imaginary) entitled 'The Invitation'	Write a story (true or imaginary) entitled 'The Crossroads'	Write a story (true or imaginary) entitled 'The Message'.	Write a story (true or imaginary) entitled 'The Discovery'.
11	Describe a place that makes you feel happy.	Describe your thoughts and feelings about a time you stayed away from home.	Describe a memorable object.	Describe the gift that has meant the most to you.	Describe a time when something totally unexpected happened.