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**Pearson Edexcel International Advanced Level**

**Thursday 11 January 2024**

Afternoon (Time: 1 hour 45 minutes)

Paper  
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**WEN01/01**

**English Language**

**International Advanced Subsidiary**

**UNIT 1: Language: Context and Identity**

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### Instructions

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- Answer **BOTH** questions.
- Answer the questions in the spaces provided  
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### Information

- The total mark for this paper is 50.
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### Advice

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- Check your answers if you have time at the end.

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**Text A is an edited extract of a speech delivered by Elizabeth Wathuti, a youth climate activist from Kenya. She addressed world leaders at the opening ceremony of COP26, the United Nations' annual climate change conference, which was held in Glasgow, Scotland in 2021.**

My name is Elizabeth Wathuti.

I am a youth climate activist from Kenya.

I have done a lot of soul-searching about what to say here today. I have asked myself over and over what words might move you. And then I realized that making my four minutes count does not rest solely on me. My truth will only land if you have the grace to fully listen. My story will only move you if you can open up your heart.

I need to tell you what is happening in my home country.

Right now, as we sit comfortably here in this conference centre in Glasgow, over two million of my fellow Kenyans are facing climate-related starvation.

In this past year, both of our rainy seasons have failed, and scientists say that it may be another 12 months before the waters return again. Meanwhile, our rivers are running dry. Our harvests are failing. Our storehouses stand empty.

I have seen, with my own eyes, three young children crying at the side of a dried-up river after walking 12 miles with their mother to find water.

Please open your hearts.

This is not only happening in Kenya. Over the past few months, there have been deadly heatwaves and wildfires in Algeria, and devastating floods in Uganda and Nigeria.

And there is more still to come.

By 2025, in just four years' time, half of the world's population will be facing water scarcity. And by the time I'm 50 the climate crisis will have displaced 86 million people in sub-Saharan Africa alone.

Please open your hearts.

Sub-Saharan Africans are responsible for just half a percent of historical emissions. The children are responsible for none, but they are bearing the brunt.

We are the adults on this Earth right now, and it is our responsibility to ensure that the children have food and water.

I have been doing what I can. Inspired by the great professor Wangari Mathaai, I founded the Green Generation Initiative, a tree-growing initiative that enhances food security for young Kenyans. So far, we have grown 30,000 fruit trees to maturity, providing desperately needed nutrition for thousands of children.

Every day we see that when we look after the trees, they look after us. But these trees, and the life-saving fruit they bear, will not survive on a 2.7-degrees-Celsius-warmer planet.

The decisions you make here will help determine whether the rains will return to our land.



The decisions you make here will help determine whether the fruit trees we plant will live or perish.

The decisions you make here will help determine whether children will have food and water.

The children cannot live on words and empty promises. They are waiting for you to act.

Please, open your hearts, and then act.



**Text B is an article written by British freelance journalist Sasha Abramsky, who lives and works in the USA. The article was published in *Truthout*, an online newspaper based in the USA, in July 2022.**

ENVIRONMENT & HEALTH  
ROADS ARE LITERALLY MELTING IN EUROPE DURING  
UNPRECEDENTED HEAT WAVE

By Sasha Abramsky

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My personal experience of this week's "heat apocalypse" in Europe involved discovering large globs of hot, sticky tar stuck to my leg after I trod in melted asphalt on a mountain road in France on Sunday afternoon: The road that I was walking on had *literally begun to melt*.

I was standing on the melted road because the heat was so extreme that my car's engine had overheated, and my kids and I ended up stranded on top of a steep mountain pass in the Pyrenees until a tow truck finally came to tow us down the mountain to a nearby town. Around the continent, roadside assistance agencies predicted spikes in the number of car breakdowns as the thermometer readings headed north.

Meanwhile, others across Europe were facing much more frightening emergencies as fires engulfed swathes of forest in Spain, Portugal, Greece, Hungary and France, and as the extreme heat triggered housefires and wildfires in and around London. Europe is finally waking to the ghastly realities of the climate crisis and the rampant fires that come with it.

Touring the Gironde, a picturesque region in southwestern France hammered by the fires, Macron pledged a "major national project" of reconstruction and called for new rules and prevention plans designed to mitigate the worst impacts of climate change.

Europe's leaders have realized that the continent has got to play catch-up to shore up its infrastructure, and to protect its fire-vulnerable lands from wildfires.

France does have one of Europe's best-equipped firefighting fleets, but it tops out at 22 planes. Clearly, that's not adequate to the needs of this climate change moment. By contrast, California, which has been on the frontline of climate change-fueled fires for years, has more than 60 firefighting aircraft.

After days of record-breaking temperatures, calamitous forest fires and mounting numbers of deaths associated with the heat, French President Emmanuel Macron called this week for the creation of a European-wide fire-fighting air fleet.

Now, as heat waves become more common and more ferocious in Europe, the continent's governments (both in national capitals and in Brussels, headquarters of the EU) will also have to adjust upward the amounts they invest in fire prevention services, as well as in firefighting equipment and personnel.

Taken as a whole, Europe has been caught remarkably unprepared by July's heat wave. Thousands of people, most of them elderly, died last week as the blast of hot air moved slowly northward from the Mediterranean.



When the heat soared to around 104°F in London on Tuesday, the agency responsible for managing London's complex public transport system was forced to urge people not to use its un-air conditioned buses and trains. Faced with lack of staff coming into work, many businesses shuttered. In Scotland, the government appealed to the public to cut down on alcohol consumption so as to avoid inebriated people becoming dehydrated in the unusual heat. By Tuesday evening, the London fire brigade was experiencing its busiest day since World War II, as more than 40 properties burned and numerous parks and heaths blazed in the fierce heat.

At Luton airport, just outside of London, outbound flights were canceled and incoming flights had to be diverted after a runway buckled in the heat. Railway tracks around the country also started to fail. Put simply, the U.K.'s infrastructure simply isn't built to withstand triple-digit temperatures.

For years, European leaders have been at the forefront of global efforts to create meaningful climate change agreements. Yet, despite the strong rhetoric, when push came to shove last week, the continent's preparedness for extreme weather events was shown to be inadequate. In Europe, leaders have long realized this is an emergency. Yet the crisis is worsening seemingly by the day. This past week is a preview of just how bad things can get. It's far past time to tackle this catastrophe with the focus and urgency it so clearly merits.

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