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Cambridge International Advanced Subsidiary and Advanced Level

LANGUAGE AND LITERATURE IN ENGLISH

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Paper 2 Writing

2 hours

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No Additional Materials are required.

READ THESE INSTRUCTIONS FIRST

An answer booklet is provided inside this question paper. You should follow the instructions on the front cover of the answer booklet. If you need additional answer paper, ask the invigilator for a continuation booklet.

Answer **one** question from Section A **and one** question from Section B. You are reminded of the need for good English and clear presentation in your answers.

All questions in this paper carry equal marks.



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You should write between 600–900 words for each question.

Section A: Imaginative writing

- **1** Write the opening section of a story called *New Horizons*, in which someone sets off on a long journey. In your writing, create a sense of anticipation and adventure.
- Write two contrasting pieces (300–450 words each), the first about a person before a job interview, and the second about the same person after the job interview. In your writing, create a sense of the person's outlook and mood.
- **3** Write a descriptive piece called *The Mountain*. In your writing, create a sense of atmosphere, and focus on colours and sounds to help your reader imagine the scene.

Section B: Writing for an audience

- 4 You have been asked to produce an article for your school magazine on how the ways in which people communicate with each other have changed in your lifetime, and how they may change in the future. Write the article. In your writing, show your interest in these changes.
- A newspaper recently published an article called *Prison the best solution to crime*. Readers were invited to write letters to respond to this article. Write two letters (300–450 words each), one supporting the views in the article, and the other challenging them. In your writing, create a sense of reasoned argument.
- A resort hotel is producing an online video advertisement of its facilities. The video is aimed at prospective guests who might be interested in staying at the hotel. Write the script for the voiceover of the video. In your writing, create a sense of enthusiasm for the hotel and its facilities.

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