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ENGLISH GENERAL PAPER

8021/23

Paper 2 Comprehension

October/November 2019

1 hour 45 minutes

You must answer on the question paper.

You will need: Insert (enclosed)

INSTRUCTIONS

- Answer **all** questions.
- Use a black or dark blue pen. You may use an HB pencil for any diagrams or graphs.
- Write your name, centre number and candidate number in the boxes at the top of the page.
- Write your answer to each question in the space provided.
- Do **not** use an erasable pen or correction fluid.
- Do **not** write on any bar codes.
- Dictionaries are **not** allowed.

INFORMATION

- The total mark for this paper is 50.
- The number of marks for each question or part question is shown in brackets [].
- The insert contains all the resources referred to in the questions.

This document has 8 pages. Blank pages are indicated.



Section A

Read the material for Section A in the insert before answering the questions in Section A.

- 1 (a) **In your own words**, explain why there has been a dramatic increase in the number of journeys being made by air each year.

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- (b) Explain how the state of Tonrovia would benefit from airport expansion in the south-east region.

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(d) Considering **three** disadvantages **and one** advantage, explain which **one** of the two remaining options would be least suitable to increase the runway capacity in Tonrovia.

You should concentrate on your chosen option and **not** refer to the other options.

Answer **using your own words** as far as possible.

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Section B

Read the material for Section B in the insert before answering the questions in Section B.

- 2 (a) Summarise the potential problems of autonomous cars, as stated in the first four paragraphs.

Answer **using your own words** as far as possible.

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- (b) State the meaning of the **two** following words or phrases as they are used in the material.

You may write the answer in one word or a short phrase.

- (i) 'a prank' (line 11)

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- (ii) 'freebie' (line 34)

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- (c) Why does Mr Musk think a 'kill switch' is such an important feature?

Answer **using your own words** as far as possible.

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(d) Explain why over-the-air (OTA) software is thought to be a positive development.

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(e) Explain the risks of using OTA software.

Do **not** repeat any material used in 2(a).

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- (f) Explain why some people may prefer to drive a conventional car.
You should consider reasons other than those identified in the material.

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