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**ENGLISH LANGUAGE**

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1123/02**

Paper 2 Comprehension

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Additional Materials: Answer Booklet/Paper

**1 hour 30 minutes**

**READ THESE INSTRUCTIONS FIRST**

If you have been given an Answer Booklet, follow the instructions on the front cover of the Booklet.  
Write your Centre number, candidate number and name on all the work you hand in.  
Write in dark blue or black pen on both sides of the paper.  
Do not use staples, paper clips, highlighters, glue or correction fluid.

Answer **all** questions.

Leave a space of **one** line between answers to **each part** of a question, e.g. between **5(a)** and **5(b)**.

Leave a space of at least **three** lines after your completed answer to each **whole** question.

The insert contains the passage for comprehension.

Mistakes in spelling, punctuation and grammar may be penalised in any part of the Paper.

At the end of the examination, fasten all your work securely together.

The number of marks is given in brackets [ ] at the end of each question or part question.

This document consists of **3** printed pages and **1** blank page and **1** insert.



Read the passage in the insert and then answer **all** the questions which follow below.

You are recommended to answer the questions in the order set.

Mistakes in spelling, punctuation and grammar may be penalised in any part of the Paper.

From paragraph 1

- 1 How does the writer suggest that Joseph has not yet learned to read? [1]

From paragraph 2

- 2 (a) Joseph's mother pushed him 'hurriedly' out of the front door. In what **two** other ways did her behaviour suggest she was in a hurry? [2]
- (b) Joseph's mother was 'anxious in case her own mission might not be successful'. What exactly was she worried about? [1]

From paragraph 3

- 3 Pick out and write down the **single** word which shows that Joseph's mother was treating him very tactfully. [1]

From paragraph 4

- 4 Explain **in your own words** what Joseph's mother and her former neighbour were doing as Joseph 'shuffled from foot to foot'. [2]

From paragraph 5

- 5 (a) What does the word 'magnetic' tell us about the effect of the picture on Joseph? [1]
- (b) Of all the toys for sale, which did Joseph find most attractive? [1]
- (c) Joseph, we are told, was 'an inquisitive child'. What other reason is suggested for his decision to 'set off for further exploration'? [1]
- (d) Why did nobody in the household goods section notice Joseph leaving the store? [1]

From paragraph 6

- 6 (a) What did the beggar and the musicians have in common? [1]
- (b) Why should it be 'alarming' that the boy was wearing a grubby apron? [1]

From paragraph 7

- 7 (a) Explain **in your own words** why Joseph's mother was noticed by the store assistant. [2]
- (b) Joseph's mother was afraid for his safety. Why do you think she was also 'filled with guilt'? [1]

From paragraph 8

- 8 Because he was glad to see his mother again, 'the pirate king allowed himself to be embraced'. What else do you think the writer is suggesting about Joseph's feelings at this point? [1]

From paragraph 9

- 9 (a) Explain **in your own words** the change which Kim noticed in her son. [2]
- (b) Why did Joseph place the book 'face downwards on the shelf'? [1]

From the whole passage

- 10 Choose **five** of the following words or phrases. For each of them give **one** word or short phrase (of not more than **seven** words) which has the same meaning that the word or phrase has in the passage.

enchanted (line 3)

congregated (line 46)

reluctantly (line 9)

suppressing (line 66)

with a practised eye (line 16)

rational (line 67)

efficiency (line 41)

firmly (line 89)

[5]

- 11 **Using your own words as far as possible**, write a summary of what Joseph did when he left his mother, the steps that were taken to find him, and how he was eventually reunited with his mother.

**USE ONLY THE MATERIAL FROM LINE 32 TO LINE 83**

Your summary, which must be in continuous writing (not note form) must not be longer than **160** words, including the **10** words given below.

Begin your summary as follows:

After Joseph had let go of his mother's hand he ...

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