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ENGLISH LANGUAGE

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Paper 2 Reading

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Candidates answer on the Question Paper.

1 hour 45 minutes

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READ THESE INSTRUCTIONS FIRST

Write your Centre number, candidate number and name on all the work you hand in.
Write in dark blue or black pen.
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DO NOT WRITE IN ANY BARCODES.

Answer **all** questions in **both** Section 1 and Section 2.
The insert contains the two reading passages.
Mistakes in spelling, punctuation and grammar may be penalised in any part of the Paper.
Dictionaries are **not** permitted in this examination.

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

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Section 1: Reading for Ideas

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Read **Passage 1** in the insert and answer **all** the questions below in the order set.

1 (a) Notes [15 marks]

Identify and write down the reasons for the initial popularity of tea and the spread of tea drinking, and the reasons for the continuing popularity of tea.

USE ONLY THE MATERIAL FROM PARAGRAPH 2 TO PARAGRAPH 6 INCLUSIVE.

At this stage, you need NOT use your own words. To help you get started, the first point in each section of notes is done for you. You will be awarded up to 15 marks for **content** points.

MAIN POINTS	
Reasons for the initial popularity of tea and the spread of tea drinking	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>It was used as a medicine</i> 	
Reasons for the continuing popularity of tea	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Tea plants' ability to replenish themselves makes it plentiful / keeps the cost down</i> 	

- 2 From paragraph 2, select and write down **two** opinions.

One opinion is

..... [1]

Another opinion is

..... [1]

- 3 From your reading of paragraph 5 and paragraph 6, decide whether each of the following statements is true or false, and tick the box you have chosen.

	T	F
Tea plants grow all year round.		
The best quality tea is used to produce tea bags.		
Caffeine has a soothing effect on us.		

[3]

Total for Section 1 [25]

Section 2: Reading for Meaning

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Read **Passage 2** in the insert and answer **all** the questions below in the order set.

From paragraph 1

- 4 (a) Before Amir's betrayal of Hassan, what **two** things did Hassan do for him every morning?
 - (i)
 - (ii) [2]

- (b) Explain fully how, after Amir's betrayal, Hassan's behaviour changed.

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..... [2]

From paragraph 2

- 5 (a) When Hassan was around, 'the oxygen seeped out of the room'. Explain what is happening here, and why.

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..... [2]

- (b) Pick out and write down the **single** word which shows that Hassan and Amir were no longer as closely involved with each other as they had been before.

..... [1]

- (c) According to Amir, what did the ironed clothes and the warm slippers indicate? **Answer in your own words.**

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..... [2]

From paragraph 3

6 (a) What 'solution' to his problem did Amir see?

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..... [1]

(b) Amir's father was sure about the right time to plant tulips. What does this suggest about his personality?

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..... [1]

(c) Apart from what he says, in what **two** ways does Amir show he regrets asking his father the question?

(i)
.....
(ii)
..... [2]

From paragraph 4

7 Explain **in your own words** how Amir felt when his father dropped him off at school.

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..... [2]

From paragraph 5

8 (a) The house 'teemed' with the father's hired help. Pick out and write down the **single** word which continues the idea of 'teemed'.

..... [1]

(b) What does the word 'fixed' tell you about Amir's feelings at this point?

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..... [1]

(c) Why is it appropriate to describe the fireworks as 'bouquets' of fire?

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 [1]

(d) Why do you think Amir thought of the darkness as merciful?

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 [1]

From paragraph 7

9 Amir told 'a shameful lie'. What do you think this lie was?

.....
 [1]

From the whole passage

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

- (a) barely (line 1)
- (b) beaming (line 20)
- (c) preoccupied (line 22)
- (d) mingled (line 26)
- (e) bursts (line 32)
- (f) perfunctory (line 35)
- (g) animated (line 40)
- (h) anguish (line 44)

Five words chosen (from list above)	Answer	
()	[1]
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()	[1]
()	[1]

[5]

Total for Section 2 [25]

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