
INTERNATIONAL GCSE ENGLISH LANGUAGE

Paper 2 Source-based Reading and Directed Writing

Time allowed: 2 hours

Materials

For this paper you must have:

- an Oxford International AQA Examinations 8-page Answer Book
- sources **A, B, C, D, E** and **F** which are provided as an Insert.

Instructions

- Use black ink or black ball-point pen.
- Write the information required on the front of your Answer Book.
- Answer **all** questions from **Section A**. Answer **one** question from **Section B**.
- Write your answers in the Answer Book provided.
- Do all rough work in your Answer Book. Cross through any work you do not want to be marked.
- You must **not** use a dictionary.

Information

- The marks for questions are shown in brackets.
- The maximum mark for this paper is 80.
- There are 40 marks for **Section A** and 40 marks for **Section B**.
- You are reminded of the need for good English and clear presentation in your answers.
- You will be assessed on your **reading** in **Section A**.
- You will be assessed on the quality of your **writing** in **Section B**:
30 marks are awarded for communication and organisation;
10 marks are awarded for spelling, punctuation and grammar.

Advice

- You should spend about 1 hour on **Section A** and about 1 hour on **Section B**.
- You should make sure you leave sufficient time to check your answers.

Section A

Answer **all** questions in this section.
You should spend about 1 hour on this section.

Question 1

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Read **Source A**. Why is Presint 18 parkrun popular, according to the article?

[5 marks]

Question 2

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Read **Source B**. Why is Minecraft more than just another video game, according to the article?

[6 marks]

Question 3

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Read **Source C**. Examine how the writer presents his views on teenagers' reading habits.

[9 marks]

Question 4

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Look at **Source D** and read **Source E**. What do Sources D and E tell you about the challenges and rewards of playing a musical instrument?

[10 marks]

Question 5

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Read **Source F**. How does the writer help the reader to picture the Dragon Kite?

[10 marks]

Section B

Answer **one** question in this section.
You should spend about 1 hour on this section.

Remember to:

- spend time thinking about the question and planning your ideas
- organise your ideas into paragraphs
- communicate clearly
- spend 5 minutes checking and editing your writing.

Either**Question 6**

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The writer of **Source C** raises the following question:

‘Do teenagers read seriously anymore?’

Write your response to the writer in which you give your views about teenagers’ reading habits.

You may use information from the sources in **Section A** as well as your own ideas.

[40 marks]

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Question 7

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Write an article for students advising them on how to make the best use of their free time.

You may use information from the sources in **Section A** as well as your own ideas.

[40 marks]

END OF QUESTIONS

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