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FRIDAY, 6 JUNE 2025 – MORNING

ENGLISH LANGUAGE

UNIT 3

Reading and Writing: Argumentation, Persuasion and Instructional

2 hours plus your additional time allowance

ADDITIONAL MATERIALS

Resource Material.

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Answer ALL questions in Section A and BOTH questions in Section B using your usual method.

You are advised to spend your time as follows:

Section A - reading - about 10 minutes plus your additional time allowance

- answering the questions - about 50 minutes plus your additional time allowance

Section B - planning - about 10 minutes plus your additional time allowance

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B1 - writing - about 25 minutes plus your additional time allowance

B2 - writing - about 25 minutes plus your additional time allowance

INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES

Section A (Reading): 40 marks

Section B (Writing): 40 marks

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

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SECTION A (Reading): 40 marks

In the separate Resource Material there are five texts on the theme of “Electric Cars” labelled Texts A-E. Read each text carefully and answer all the questions below that relate to each of the texts. Write the number of the question at the beginning of each answer.

TEXT A

A1. According to the text, what percentage of people would consider buying an electric vehicle? [1 mark]

Question A2 is on the next page

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A2. Which of the following best describes what a “government grant” is? Write the number of the correct description on your answer sheet. [1 mark]

1. an amount of money or funding given by the Government
2. a loan given by the Government
3. an electric car that is donated by the Government
4. when the Government refuses to fund something

A3. According to the text, how many electric vehicle charging points are there in the UK? [1 mark]

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TEXT B

A4. Which of the following statements best describes what is meant by “battery Range”? Write the number of the correct statement on your answer sheet. [1 mark]

1. the number of batteries needed in an electric car
2. the different battery brands that are available for electric cars
3. the distance an electric car can travel before its batteries need to be recharged
4. the type of batteries that are used to power electric cars
5. a location where you can purchase car batteries

Question A5 is on the next page

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A5. Text B shows what must be considered when choosing an electric car. Put the four steps (a) – (d) below into the order in which they should be completed. Write the correct order on your answer sheet. [3 marks]

The first step is (a).

- (a) Think about your needs. (Step 1)
- (b) Check affordability.
- (c) Test drive the car.
- (d) Research available models.

TEXT C

A6. How much CO₂ can one electric car save each year? [1 mark]

A7. How does the advert persuade the reader of the benefits of electric cars?
[8 marks]

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TEXT D

A8. In your own words, explain what the writer means when they use the word “alarmism”. [1 mark]

A9. The writer of Text D tells us that their trip went “boringly well”.
What does this suggest about their journey? Write the number of the correct option on your answer sheet. [1 mark]

1. the car journey was difficult and tiring
2. the car journey was dull and unpleasant
3. the car journey was exciting and interesting
4. the car journey was straightforward and without incident

A10. Read the last three paragraphs again. What impressions do you have of the road trip that the writer took with her son? [6 marks]

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TEXT E

A11. When they arrived in France, how much charge was left in Andy’s car? [1 mark]

A12. Summarise the reasons why Andy and his wife ended up being delayed in France. [5 marks]

A13. Compare what the writers of TEXT D and TEXT E think about their road trips using electric cars. [10 marks]

Section B begins on the next page

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SECTION B (Writing): 40 marks

In this section you will be assessed for the quality of your writing skills.

Answer BOTH questions B1 and B2 below. Write the number of the question at the beginning of each answer.

B1. "If we are going to save the planet, everyone must help. Electric cars, greener homes and stricter pollution rules are only a few of the things that will make a difference."

You have been asked to give a talk to your classmates giving your views about what can be done to save the planet.

Write your talk. [20 marks]

10 marks are awarded for communication and organisation; 10 marks are awarded for writing accurately. You should aim to write between 200–300 words.

Remember to spend time planning your work before starting your writing.

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B2. In Text E, Andy talks about his "dream road trip".

Write an article in which you persuade others to take a road trip in the UK. You must make it clear where they should go, what they will see and what they can do.

Write your article. [20 marks]

10 marks are awarded for communication and organisation; 10 marks are awarded for writing accurately. You should aim to write between 200–300 words.

Remember to spend time planning your work before starting your writing.

END OF PAPER
