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### 1204/5H

## **Edexcel GCSE**

<sub>A</sub> English B

Paper 5H – Unprepared non-fiction

# **Higher Tier**

Thursday 4 June 2009 – Afternoon

Time: 2 hours

Materials required for examination	Items included with question papers
Nil	One insert

#### **Instructions to Candidates**

In the boxes above, write your centre number, candidate number, your surname, initial(s) and signature. Check that you have the correct question paper.

If you need more space to complete your answer to any question, use additional answer sheets.

Answer the question in Section A, one question from Section B and one question from Section C.

Do not return the insert with the question paper.

#### **Information for Candidates**

Each question will be marked out of 25.

You are reminded of the importance of clear English and careful presentation in your answers. You should have, in addition to this question paper, an extract from Bill Bryson's memoir *The Life and Times of the Thunderbolt Kid*.

#### Please note:

Section A starts on page 2 in this question paper Section B starts on page 6 in this question paper Section C starts on page 10 in this question paper.

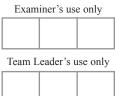
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#### **SECTION A: UNPREPARED NON-FICTION**

You must answer the question in this section. You should spend about 40 minutes on this question.

**1.** How does the writer convey to the reader the extraordinary power and danger of tornadoes?

You should write about:

- the features of tornadoes shown in his grandfather's story of the tornado
- his own experience of a tornado and reaction to it
- the contrast between his own response and that of his grandfather and father
- the use of language.

Support your answer with examples from the text.

(Total for Section A: 25 marks for Reading)

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#### SECTION B: WRITING TO ARGUE, PERSUADE, ADVISE

There are two questions in this section. You should answer ONE of them. You should spend about 40 minutes on this question.

2. "Climate change, including unusual weather patterns, is the biggest threat facing the world today. We ignore it at our peril."

"The debate about climate change is a lot of hot air. We need to spend our taxes on more important things like transport, hospitals and schools."

With which of these viewpoints do you agree and why?

OR

**3.** Write a letter of advice to a friend, who intends to travel, about personal safety.

Your advice can refer to any kind of travel, either abroad or in Britain.

(Total for Section B: 25 marks for Writing)

Indicate which question you are answering by marking the box  $(\boxtimes)$ . If you change your mind, put a line through the box  $(\boxtimes)$  and then indicate your new question with a cross  $(\boxtimes)$ .

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#### SECTION C: WRITING TO ANALYSE, REVIEW, COMMENT

There are two questions in this section. You should answer ONE of them. You should spend about 40 minutes on this question.

**4.** Write about a time when you were faced with something strange or unexpected.

Analyse your thoughts and feelings at the time, and comment on how you dealt with the situation.

OR

**5.** A magazine is running a series of articles on the topic of success.

Write a contribution to this series entitled "The Secrets of Success", analysing what makes people succeed.

(Total for Section C: 25 marks for Writing)

Indicate which question you are answering by marking the box  $(\boxtimes)$ . If you change your mind, put a line through the box  $(\boxtimes)$  and then indicate your new question with a cross  $(\boxtimes)$ .

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