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GCSE ENGLISH/ENGLISH LANGUAGE

A680/01 Information and Ideas (Foundation Tier)



Candidates answer on the Question Paper.

OCR supplied materials:

- Reading Booklet Insert (A680/01/RBI – inserted)

Other materials required:

None

Duration: 2 hours



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INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

- Find the Reading Booklet Insert for use with the questions in Section A.
- The Insert will be found in the centre of this document.
- Write your name, centre number and candidate number in the boxes above. Please write clearly and in capital letters.
- Use black ink.
- Answer **all** the questions in Section A and **one** question in Section B.
- Read each question carefully. Make sure you know what you have to do before starting your answer.
- Write your answer to each question in the space provided. Additional paper may be used if necessary but you must clearly show your candidate number, centre number and question number(s).
- Do **not** write in the bar codes.

INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES

- The number of marks is given in brackets [] at the end of each question or part question.
- **Section A** is worth **40** marks.
- **Section B** is worth **40** marks.
- The total number of marks for this paper is **80**.
- This document consists of **16** pages. Any blank pages are indicated.

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Answer **all** the questions in Section A and **one** question in Section B.

SECTION A: Non-Fiction and Media

You are advised to spend about one hour on Section A.

Question 1

Read carefully *How the UK's otters have reclaimed the urban waterways as their home* on page 3 of the Reading Booklet Insert. Then answer Questions 1a, 1b, 1c and 1d. These questions will be marked for reading.

- 1 (a) From **paragraph one** (beginning 'You've heard of the urban magpie...'):

- (i) state the reason why otters are moving into city centres

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- (ii) write down the word which shows otters used to avoid cities.

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- (b) From **paragraph two** (beginning 'A survey by The Wildlife Trusts Partnership...'), give **two facts** about major cities which make it surprising that otters should live there.

Fact 1:

[1]

Fact 2:

[1]

- (c) From **paragraph three** (beginning 'The recovery of the otter...'), give **two opinions** spoken by the director-general of The Wildlife Trusts Partnership.

Opinion 1:

[1]

Opinion 2:

[1]

- (d) Re-read the passage from **paragraph four** (beginning ‘Three developments have coincided...’) **to the end** of the passage (...when building alongside urban waterways).

Using your **own words as far as possible**, outline what you learn about British otters since the 1950s. [14]

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Question 2

Read carefully *Magpies on Trial* on pages 4–5 of the Reading Booklet Insert. Then answer Questions 2a and 2b. These questions will be marked for reading.

- 2 (a)** Explain how the following contribute to the effect of the magazine article on the reader:

- headings and sub-headings
- photographs and the words printed just below them.

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(b) How does the article persuade you that magpies are ‘Not Guilty’?

In your answer, you should write about:

- **information** given in the article
- some of the **words** and **phrases** used.

Do **NOT** write about the headings, sub-headings, photographs or words printed just below the photographs in your answer. [14]

SECTION B: Writing

You are advised to spend about 50 minutes on Section B.

Answer ONE question. Write the number of the question you have chosen at the top of your answer.

This answer will be marked for writing. Plan your answer and write it carefully.

Leave enough time to check through what you have written.

Either

- 3** In Britain people live in different kinds of areas: in cities, towns, villages and the countryside.

Write an article for your local newspaper describing what you like and dislike about the area where you live.

[40]

Or

- 4** 'It's good to be with friends, but it is important to be able to be alone sometimes.'

Write your views.

[40]

Write here the number of the question you have chosen

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