

## CERTIFICATE IN ADVANCED ENGLISH

Writing

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### SAMPLE TEST 3

**Time** 1 hour 30 minutes

### INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Do not open this question paper until you are told to do so.

**Write your name, centre number and candidate number on your answer sheet if they are not already there.**

Read the instructions for each part of the paper carefully.

Answer the Part 1 question and one question from Part 2.

Write your answers on the answer sheet.

Write clearly in **pen**, not pencil. You may make alterations, but make sure your work is easy to read.

You **must** complete the answer sheet within the time limit.

At the end of the test, hand in both this question paper and your answer sheet.

### INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES

Each question in this paper carries equal marks.

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You **must** answer this question. Write your answer in **220 – 260** words in an appropriate style on the opposite page.

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- 1 Your class has listened to a radio discussion about how government funding could improve schools. You have made the notes below:

**How government funding could improve schools**

- more investment in teachers
- more sports and leisure facilities
- more technology

Some opinions expressed in the discussion:

“Teachers can keep up to date with new ideas.”

“Children learn better when they have regular exercise.”

“Access to technology increases a child’s learning potential.”

Write an essay discussing **two** of the points in your notes. You should **explain which funding strategy would be more effective** in improving schools, **giving reasons** in support of your answer.

You may, if you wish, make use of the opinions expressed in the discussion, but you should use your own words as far as possible.

Write an answer to **one** of the questions **2 – 4** in this part. Write your answer in **220 – 260** words in an appropriate style on the separate answer sheet. Put the question number in the box at the top of the page.

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- 2** Your college has recently received some funding to improve the environment around the college building. Some ideas for how the money should be spent include a student garden, an outside café and some additional student parking. As the student representative, write a proposal to the College Principal outlining how you think the money should be spent and how these improvements would benefit the students and the college.

Write your **proposal**.

- 3** You receive this letter from a Canadian friend.

I'm doing a project on the entertainment industry around the world. Could you tell me about a popular TV programme in your country? I'd like to know why you think this programme is popular, who it's mainly for, and whether you think it will continue to be popular in the future?

Thanks!

Write your **letter**.

- 4** Your company wants to organise some IT training for its employees. Your manager has asked you to write a report about the different courses available. You have found two suitable courses. One is a six-week online course, and the other is a three-day full-time course taught in a training centre. In your report, briefly outline the content of the courses and their strengths and weaknesses. Recommend which one you think would be better for both the employees and the company.

Write your **report**.

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