



# Cambridge International AS Level

LANGUAGE AND LITERATURE IN ENGLISH

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Paper 1 Writing

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2 hours

You must answer on the enclosed answer booklet.

You will need: Answer booklet (enclosed)

## INSTRUCTIONS

- Answer **two** questions in total:  
Section A: answer Question 1.  
Section B: answer **one** question.
- Follow the instructions on the front cover of the answer booklet. If you need additional answer paper, ask the invigilator for a continuation booklet.
- Dictionaries are **not** allowed.

## INFORMATION

- The total mark for this paper is 50.
- The number of marks for each question or part question is shown in brackets [ ].

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**Section A: Shorter writing and reflective commentary****Question 1**

You recently read a newspaper article which said that all zoos should be closed because they are bad for animals. You decide to write an email to the editor, in response to this article, giving your opinion.

- (a) Write the text for your email, using no more than 400 words. In your writing, give reasons to support your opinion. [15]
- (b) Write a reflective commentary on your text, explaining how your linguistic choices contribute to fulfilling the task set. [10]

**Section B: Extended writing**

Answer **one** question.

**EITHER**

**Question 2**

You have been watching a TV series about famous bridges. You decide to write a review of the series, which will be published in your school magazine. Write between 600 and 900 words. [25]

**OR**

**Question 3**

Write a story called *New World*, about a group of people who are the first to go and live on another planet. In your writing, create a sense of drama and suspense. Write between 600 and 900 words. [25]

**OR**

**Question 4**

Your class has just had a discussion about the pros and cons of teenagers getting work experience before they leave school. Your teacher has asked you to write an essay on the topic, giving your opinion. Write between 600 and 900 words. [25]

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