

## FIRST CERTIFICATE IN ENGLISH

Writing

### Sample Test

#### PRINT VERSION OF BRAILLE PAPER

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**TIME** 1 hour 20 minutes plus your additional time allowance

#### INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Check your name, centre number and candidate number are on each sheet of paper used.

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

Write your answers on your answer sheet, together with the number of each question.

#### INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES

Each question in this paper carries equal marks.

##### SPECIAL NOTE TO SUPERVISORS

Please refer to the Cambridge English Special Requirements Booklet for ways in which blind candidates may write their answers.

If you are transcribing the candidate's answers from Braille, please write the transcribed answers on Pages 3 and 5 of this booklet. Please return this booklet as the candidate's answer sheet.

*[Note for brailling: omit pages 3 and 5]*

**Part 1**

You **must** answer this question. Write your answer in **140 – 190** words in an appropriate style on your answer sheet.

- 1** In your English class you have been talking about the environment. Now your English teacher has asked you to write an essay.

Read the following essay title and notes.

**Essay title**

Every country in the world has problems with pollution and damage to the environment. Do you think these problems can be solved?

**Notes**

Write about:

1. transport
2. rivers and seas
3. your own idea

Write your essay using **all** the notes and giving reasons for your point of view.

**Question 1**

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**Part 2**

Write an answer to **one** of the questions **2 – 4** in this part. Write your answer in **140 – 190** words in an appropriate style on your answer sheet, together with the number of the question.

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- 2** You read this announcement in your college English-language magazine.

**Book reviews wanted**

Have you read a book in which the main character behaved in a surprising way? Write us a review of the book, explaining what the main character did and why it was surprising. Tell us whether or not you would recommend this book to other people. The best reviews will be published in the magazine.

Write your **review**.

- 3** You read this announcement on an English-language website.

**Articles wanted: ‘The most useful thing I have ever learned’**

What is the most useful thing you have learned? Who did you learn it from? Why is it useful?

Write us an article answering these questions. We will publish the best articles on our website.

Write your **article**.

- 4** You have received this email from your English-speaking friend David.

**From:** David

**Subject:** touring holiday

Some college friends of mine are visiting your area soon for a week’s touring holiday. They would like to travel around and learn about your local area and its history.

Can you tell me about some of the places they could visit? What’s the best way to travel around – car, bike or coach?

Thanks,

David

Write your **email**.

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