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ENGLISH GENERAL PAPER

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Paper 1 Essay

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1 hour 15 minutes

You must answer on the enclosed answer booklet.

You will need: Answer booklet (enclosed)

INSTRUCTIONS

- 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 30.
- All questions are worth equal marks.

This document has **4** pages. Any blank pages are indicated.

Answer **one** question.

You are advised to write an essay of 600–700 words. Use examples to support your arguments.

- 1 Tourism ensures the survival of remote communities. To what extent is this true in **your** country? [30]
- 2 Successful leaders have to make unpopular decisions. Discuss. [30]
- 3 Human migration from one place to another brings many benefits. To what extent do you agree with this statement? [30]
- 4 To what extent does social media enable young people to communicate more positively? [30]
- 5 The study of history focuses too much on what people have done wrong. Discuss. [30]
- 6 Financial security is the responsibility of the individual. To what extent do you agree with this statement? [30]
- 7 What an individual chooses to eat and drink is of no concern to anyone else. Evaluate this statement. [30]
- 8 Visual forms of art express emotions in ways that written words cannot achieve. Discuss. [30]
- 9 The biggest concern about climate change is the threat that it creates for the people of the world. To what extent do you agree with this view? [30]
- 10 Songs have the power to divide as well as unite people. Discuss. [30]

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