Cambridge International Examinations
Cambridge International General Certificate of Secondary Education

FIRST LANGUAGE ENGLISH
Paper 2 Reading Passages (Extended)

Candidates answer on the Question Paper.

READ THESE INSTRUCTIONS FIRST

Write your Centre number, candidate number and name in the spaces provided.
Write in dark blue or black pen.
Do not use staples, paper clips, glue or correction fluid.
DO NOT WRITE IN ANY BARCODES.

Answer all questions in the space provided. If additional space is required, you should use the lined pages at the end of this booklet. The question number(s) must be clearly shown.

Dictionaries are not permitted.

The Reading Booklet Insert contains the reading passages for use with all questions on the Question paper. The Insert is not assessed by the Examiner.

The number of marks is given in brackets [ ] at the end of each question or part question.

This document consists of 12 printed pages and 1 Insert.
Read carefully Passage A, Canal Holiday, in the Reading Booklet Insert and then answer Questions 1 and 2 on this Question Paper.

Question 1

Imagine you are Zelda’s husband, Bob.

Write a letter to your brother who lives abroad telling him about your holiday.

In your letter you should comment on:

• your expectations of the trip
• your feelings about Zelda’s behaviour on the first two days of the holiday
• what happened during the rest of the trip.

Base your letter on what you have read in Passage A, but be careful to use your own words. Address each of the three bullet points.

Begin your letter: ‘Dear Brian, We’ve just come back from a trip I arranged for Zelda as a surprise…’.

Write about 250 to 350 words.

Up to 15 marks are available for the content of your answer, and up to 5 marks for the quality of your writing.
Question 2

Re-read the descriptions of:

(a) the storm and its effects in paragraph 6, beginning ‘No sooner were we inside…’;
(b) what Zelda enjoys about the morning in paragraph 7, beginning ‘Having only managed…’.

Select four powerful words or phrases from each paragraph. Your choices should include imagery. Explain how each word or phrase selected is used effectively in the context.

Write about 200 to 300 words.

Up to 10 marks are available for the content of your answer.
Question 3

Answer the questions in the order set.

(a) Notes

What were the challenges faced during the entire construction of the Panama Canal, according to Passage B?

Write your answer using short notes. Write one point per line.

You do not need to use your own words.

Up to 15 marks are available for the content of your answer.

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(b) Summary

Now use your notes to write a summary of what Passage B tells you about the challenges faced during the entire construction of the Panama Canal.

You must use **continuous writing** (not note form) and use your own words as far as possible.

Your summary should include all 15 of your points in **Question 3(a)** and must be 200 to 250 words.

**Up to 5 marks are available for the quality of your writing.**

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