# BASIC ENGLISH LANGUAGE

# **GENERAL ENGLISH**

Duration: 1 hour 55 minutes Additional Materials: Writing Papers

#### **READ THESE INSTRUCTIONS FIRST**

Write your class, index number and name on all the work you hand in.Write in dark blue or black pen.Do not use staples, paper clips, glue or correction fluid.You are advised to answer all parts of the question to obtain given marks.Answer all questions in proper and accurate English

#### Section A

EDITING: ANSWER <u>ONE</u> QUESTION (Dependent on your current General level. G1 and G2 students to answer question 1. G3 students to answer question 2.)

## Section **B**

SITUATIONAL WRITING: ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS

#### Section C

FREE WRITING: ANSWER **<u>ONE</u>** OF THE 6 TOPICS

At the end of the examination, fasten your work for Sections A, B and C separately. Submit all sections together.

Write clearly your General level on ALL answer sheets, failure to do so will result in your work being marked in General Three Rubrics.

The number of marks is given in brackets [] at the head of each section.

The total mark for this paper is <u>70</u>

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#### SECTION A [10 marks] GENERAL ONE AND GENERAL TWO ENGLISH LANGUAGE.

#### **Question 1**

You are required to write the text below, consisting of 12 lines, about online scams.

The first and last line are correct. For the remaining ten lines, there is <u>one</u> grammatical error in each line.

Identify the correct word and write the correct word in the space(s) provided.

The correct word you provide <u>must not change the meaning</u> of the sentence.

Examples:

I arrived to my destination at 2 p.m.

.....at.....

**First**: The police issued an advisory on Friday (Oct 27) warning people about a new phishing scams that uses fake WhatsApp Web websites. These websites trick users into authorising accessing to their WhatsApp accounts for scammers. Victims who wish to use their WhatsApp account on their desktops search for the official website use online search engines. "Thereafter victims would click on the first few search results generate by online search engines without verifying the URL addresses due to convenient," said the police. But these are phishing websites embedded with a genuinity QR code taken from the official website, the police added. When victims scan the QR codes, the websites become unresponded and they were not taken to the official WhatsApp Web page. Scammers who had embedded the QR codes in the phishing websites would then be able to gained **Last**: remote access to the victims' WhatsApp accounts.

## SECTION A [10 marks] GENERAL THREE ENGLISH LANGUAGE.

#### **Question 2**

You are required to write the text below, consisting of 12 lines, about the ban of Japanese food in China

The first and last line are correct. For the remaining ten lines, there are **two** correct lines and **eight** grammatical errors

Identify the correct word and write the correct word in the space(s) provided.

The correct word you provide must not change the meaning of the sentence.

Examples:

I arrived <b>to</b> my destination at 2 p.m.	at
My mother is very beautiful	√

The Group of Seven (G7) industrial powers called on Sunday for the "immediate repeal" of import curbs on Japanese food products, a refer to China's restrictions after Japan began releasing wastewater from the Fukushima nuclears power plant. The G7 trade ministers, in a statement after the weekend meeting on Osaka, did not mention China but they also denounced what they consider its rising economic coerce through trade. "We deplore actions to weaponize economic dependencies and commitment to build on free, fair, and mutually beneficial economic and trade relationships," said the 10-page statement. China slapped a blanket suspending of Japanese fish imports two months ago when Japan started the releasing of treated radioactive water from the wrecked Fukushima plantation into the Pacific. While Japan and the U.S. have called the curbs unfair, Russia announced a similar restriction earlier this month.

# **SECTION B (30 marks)** ALL GENERAL LEVELS

Read the printout of a poster below and use the information to write a response to the task as per required on Page 4 of the Question Paper.

<b>Top 3 hotel destinations out of Singapore :)</b> Enjoy any occasions as you wish in these three eye-catching destinations!		
	Schwish in these three ey	e-catching destinations!
Hawaii: Hawaiian Islands	Inna Grand Bali Beach	Korea, Paradise City
The island of Hawai'i is a land of diversity and choices, and that includes the island's accommodations. There's a home-away-from-home that will satisfy every taste and price range, from world-class resorts	Has a wide range of facilities, including four beautiful beachside swimming pools, a modern SPA, Jacuzzi and fitness centre, tennis court, a 9-hole golf course, 5 choice of restaurants with various specialties	Has launched a Honeymoon Flight package, with two options: Economy Choice and Prestige Choice. Guests can enjoy amenities like club lounges, swimming pools, saunas as well as an in-room private dining opporion of that
to charming inns and spacious vacation rentals.	The refreshing bars is joined to an inclusive meeting & conference facilities which can accommodate 1000 people for standing reception.	dining experience that prioritises safety. Travellers can also enjoy the varieties of Korean cuisine.

# SECTION B (30 marks) ALL GENERAL LEVELS STATE YOUR GENERAL LEVEL CLEARLY ON YOUR ANSWER SHEET

#### You are advised to write 250 to 350 words for this section.

#### **Question 3**

You are required to look at the poster on Page 3 before writing a response to the task. Read the information carefully and plan your answer before you write. You may add any and all necessary details in your answer.

Your relatives; uncle and auntie, have been looking for an overseas destination to celebrate their 10th wedding anniversary. Your mother has given you a poster to view their top three destinations. Your relatives have asked for your opinion about where they should go on their anniversary holiday. Before replying, you are advised to list down your reasons on why you think that your chosen destination is most suitable.

Write an email to your relatives detailing the following information:

- Your heartfelt congratulations to your relatives
- Your chosen destination and why it appeals to you
- What can be done by your relatives at your chosen destination
- Why you feel that your destination would interest your relatives

You may add any other details should you wish that will provide any clarity or help.

Write an email in **clear**, **accurate English**. You are advised to write in an enthusiastic and persuasive tone to convince your relatives.

#### You are advised to use your own words as much as possible.

# SECTION C (30 marks) ALL GENERAL LEVELS STATE YOUR GENERAL LEVEL CLEARLY ON YOUR ANSWER SHEET

# You are advised to write between 300 and 500 words on one of the following topics.

Questions 4 - 9

4. Write about a time where someone made you feel jealous. Provide all necessary details and feelings.

5. Write about a time where you noticed a bout of hatred and how you felt about it.

6. Describe your ideal place. Give details on each part that you wish for.

7. Describe the features of happiness you wish to see and receive. Give details.

8. "Students are very free." What do you think?

9. Do you think that schools should arrange for more VIA activities?

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