

**RIVER VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL**

General Certificate of Education Advanced Level
Higher 1

JC2 Preliminary Examination

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GENERAL PAPER**8881/02**

Paper 2

28 August 2024**1 hour 30 minutes**

Candidates answer on the Question Paper.

READ THESE INSTRUCTIONS FIRST

Write your Centre number, 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.

Answer **all** questions.

The Insert contains the passage for comprehension.

Note that up to **15** marks out of **50** will be awarded for your use of language.

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

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Answer **all** questions.

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Your answers should be:

- written **in your own words as far as possible**. Where you select the appropriate material from the passage for your answer, you must still use your own words to express it.
- written in **continuous prose**.

From Passage 1

1. In the opening sentence, what contrast does the author make between the perceptions of nostalgia?

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2. Identify **two** ways in paragraph 2 which illustrate how 'nostalgia does not always sit well with our modern-day practical sensibilities' (line 18).

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3. From lines 19-21, explain **two** ways in which the author uses language to convey the challenges of modern-day life.

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4. According to the author, what are the characteristics of a 'simpler, slower way of life' (line 24)?

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5. In paragraph 4, what contrast does the author make in the use of nostalgia in politics in the United States?

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6. How does the final sentence in paragraph 5 provide an effective ending to the author's argument?

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7. Summarise why nostalgia can be harmful.

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From all the passages

8. Passage 1 states that 'nostalgia can be canned and sold' (line 22).

Identify **one** specific idea from Passage 3 which can be used to support this statement.
Justify your answer.

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9. Passage 2 states that nostalgia can 'erode social cohesion' (line 21).

Identify **one** specific idea from Passage 3 which can be used to undermine this statement.
Justify your answer.

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How far do you agree that a longing for the past is more beneficial than harmful?

- the arguments expressed in **at least one** of the reading passages
- examples drawn from your own experience and that of your society.

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