

ANGLO-CHINESE JUNIOR COLLEGE
JC2 PRELIMINARY EXAMINATION 2023

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GENERAL PAPER

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Paper 2

August 2023

1 hour 30 minutes

Candidates answer on the Question Paper.

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READ THESE INSTRUCTIONS FIRST

Write your index number and name on all the work you hand in.
Write in dark blue or black pen in the spaces provided on the Question Paper.
Do not use staples, paper clips, highlighters, 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.

At the end of the examination, fasten all your work securely together.
The number of marks is given in brackets [] at the end of each question or part question.

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This document consists of **6** printed pages.

Read the passage in the insert and then answer **all** the questions. Note that up to fifteen marks will be given for the quality and accuracy of your use of English throughout this Paper.

NOTE: When a question asks for an answer **IN YOUR OWN WORDS AS FAR AS POSSIBLE** and you select the appropriate material from the passage for your answer, you must still use your own words to express it. Little credit can be given to answers which only copy words or phrases from the passage.

1. According to paragraph 1, why did the fishermen perform elaborate rituals in the open sea but not in the lagoon? **Use your own words as far as possible.**

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2. From paragraph 1, suggest why effigies are burnt during the New Year in Central and South America.

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3. Why does the author use the word 'fateful' (line 14) to describe the decision to live in bigger groups? **Use your own words as far as possible.**

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4. In paragraph 2, what does the author mean when she describes the human mind as 'nimble' (line 17) and 'whimsical' (line 18)? **Use your own words as far as possible.**

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5. How does the example of Rafael Nadal in paragraph 3 illustrate the importance of rituals? **Use your own words as far as possible.**

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6. Explain the paradox in lines 49 to 51. **Use your own words as far as possible.**

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7. Why has the author written 'spiritual practice' (line 70) in inverted commas?

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8. Explain how the two examples from lines 74 to 82 illustrate the dangers of rituals. **Use your own words as far as possible.**

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9. From paragraph 7, explain how modern medicine is similar to rituals and how the two are different. **Use your own words as far as possible.**

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10. Identify two ways in which the last two sentences of the passage (lines 91–94) provide an effective ending to the author’s argument.

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11. Using material from paragraphs 4 to 6 only, summarise the benefits of rituals.

Write your summary in **no more than 120 words**, not counting the opening words which are printed below. **Use your own words as far as possible.**

One benefit of rituals is

[Number of words:]

12. The author discusses the benefits and detrimental effects of rituals in our lives.

How far do you agree or disagree with the author's observations? Illustrate your arguments with examples drawn from your own experience and that of your society.

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