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FIRST LANGUAGE ENGLISH **0500/22**

Paper 2 Directed Writing and Composition **May/June 2026**

2 hours

You must answer on the question paper.

You will need: Insert (enclosed)

INSTRUCTIONS

- Answer **two** questions in total:
  - Section A: answer Question 1.
  - Section B: answer **one** question.
- Use a black or dark blue pen.
- Write your name, centre number and candidate number in the boxes at the top of the page.
- Write your answer to each question in the space provided.
- Do **not** use an erasable pen. Do **not** use correction fluid or tape.
- Do **not** write on any bar codes.
- If additional space is needed, you should use the lined pages at the end of this booklet; the question number or numbers must be clearly shown.
- Dictionaries are **not** allowed.

INFORMATION

- The total mark for this paper is 80.
- The number of marks for each question or part question is shown in brackets [ ].
- The insert contains the reading texts.

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Read Text A and Text B in the insert and then answer **Section A**, **Question 1** on this question paper.

Section A: Directed writing

Question 1

Imagine you live in an area where a proposal to remove technology from all school classrooms is being considered.

Write a speech to a meeting of parents, teachers and members of the local community, giving your views on whether or not this is a good idea.

In your speech you should:

- evaluate how the proposal might affect students and their learning
- give your own views on the possible impact of this change on teachers and the wider community.

Base your speech on what you have read in **both** texts, but be careful to use your own words. Address both of the bullet points.

Write about 250 to 350 words.

Up to 15 marks are available for the content of your answer and up to 25 marks for the quality of your writing.

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Section B: Composition

Answer **one** question from Section B.

Write about 350 to 450 words on **one** of the following questions. Answer on this question paper.

Up to 16 marks are available for the content and structure of your answer and up to 24 marks for the style and accuracy of your writing.

Either

Descriptive writing

2 Describe a person in a place you wouldn't expect to see them.

Or

Descriptive writing

3 Describe an area where waste or rubbish is dumped.

Or

Narrative writing

4 Write a story which includes the words, '... and they looked towards the stars ...'.

Or

Narrative writing

5 Write a story where a decision is made to leave.

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