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**Paper 2 Writers' viewpoints and
perspectives**

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Morning

Time allowed: 1 hour 45 minutes

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MATERIALS

For this paper you must have:

- **SOURCE A and SOURCE B – provided as a separate Insert.**

INSTRUCTIONS

- **Answer ALL questions.**
- **Use black ink or black ball-point pen.**
- **You must answer the questions in the spaces provided.**
- **Do not write on blank pages.**
- **If you need extra space for your answer(s), use the lined pages at the end of this book. Write the question number against your answer(s).**

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- **Do all rough work in this book. Cross through any work you do not want to be marked.**
- **You must refer to the Insert booklet provided.**
- **You must NOT use a dictionary.**

INFORMATION

- **The marks for questions are shown in brackets.**
- **The maximum mark for this paper is 80.**
- **There are 40 marks for SECTION A and 40 marks for SECTION B.**
- **You are reminded of the need for good English and clear presentation in your answers.**
- **You will be assessed on the quality of your READING in SECTION A.**



- **You will be assessed on the quality of your WRITING in SECTION B.**

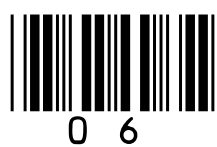
ADVICE

- **You are advised to spend about 15 minutes reading through the sources and all five questions you have to answer.**
- **You are advised to plan your answer to QUESTION 5 before you start to write.**
- **You should make sure you leave sufficient time to check your answers.**

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SECTION A: READING

Answer ALL questions in this section.

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45 minutes on this section.**

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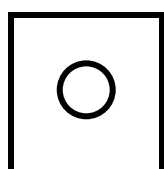
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Read again the first part of SOURCE A from LINES 1 TO 18.

Choose FOUR statements which are TRUE.

- **Shade the CIRCLES in the boxes of the ones that you think are TRUE.**
- **Choose a maximum of FOUR statements.**
- **If you make an error cross out the WHOLE BOX.**
- **If you change your mind and require a statement that has been crossed out then draw a circle around the box.**

[4 marks]



A The writer is at the start of his train journey.



- ☐ **B The writer is looking forward to leaving the train.**
- ☐ **C The writer will be on the train for three more days.**
- ☐ **D The train has a carriage where meals are served.**
- ☐ **E The writer thinks the bread has been delicious.**
- ☐ **F The writer feels that he has been cut off from society while on the train.**
- ☐ **G The writer has had many activities to keep him busy on the train.**
- ☐ **H The writer does not have any plans for when he leaves the train.**

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You need to refer to SOURCE A and SOURCE B for this question.

The writers in SOURCE A and SOURCE B are travelling on different types of trains.

Use details from BOTH sources to write a summary of what you understand about the differences between the two trains.

[8 marks]





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You now need to refer only to SOURCE A from LINES 26 TO 58.

How does the writer use language to describe the train crash? [12 marks]

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For this question, you need to refer to the WHOLE OF SOURCE A, together with the WHOLE OF SOURCE B.

Compare how the writers convey their different feelings and perspectives about their experiences of travelling on a train.

In your answer, you could:

- compare their different feelings and perspectives**
- compare the methods the writers use to convey their different feelings and perspectives**
- support your response with references to both texts.**

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SECTION B: WRITING

You are advised to spend about 45 minutes on this section.

Write in full sentences.

You are reminded of the need to plan your answer.

You should leave enough time to check your work at the end.

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‘Cars are convenient, comfortable and save time. However, we need to use them less by making public transport such as trains, trams and buses cheaper, more reliable and easier to access.’

Write a speech to be given at a meeting of your local council in which you argue your point of view on this statement.

**(24 marks for content and organisation
16 marks for technical accuracy)
[40 marks]**

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