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ENGLISH

Paper 1 Reading

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MATERIALS

For this paper you must have:

- **SOURCES A, B and C which are provided in a separate Insert Booklet.**

INSTRUCTIONS

- **Use black ink or black ball-point pen.**
- **Answer ALL questions.**
- **You must answer the questions in the spaces provided.**

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- **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).**
- **Do all rough work in this answer book.**
- **Cross through any work you do not want to be marked.**
- **You must refer to the Insert Booklet provided.**

INFORMATION

- **The marks for questions are shown in brackets.**
- **The maximum mark for this paper is 30.**
- **There are 10 marks for each section.**
- **You may use a dictionary.**



ADVICE

- **You are advised to check your work carefully.**

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SECTION A

**Read SOURCE A and answer
QUESTIONS 1 to 6.**

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According to SOURCE A, how is the Red Cross providing access to clean water and hygiene? [1 mark]

Answer _____



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You are advised to use a dictionary for this question.

SOURCE A states: ‘...floating rubbish is ubiquitous.’

What does the word ‘ubiquitous’ mean in this quotation?

- A disgusting**
- B dangerous**
- C everywhere**
- D increasing**

Write the correct letter in the box.

Answer **[1 mark]**

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The text implies that

- A all countries need to start addressing climate change.**
- B roads and bridges are not properly and safely built.**
- C the floods are entirely due to the increased monsoon rain.**
- D the relief operation has enough resources.**

Write the correct letter in the box.

Answer **[1 mark]**



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Use the information in SOURCE A to decide whether each statement, on the opposite page, is TRUE or FALSE.

Put a tick (✓) in the correct box, on the opposite page. [2 marks]



	TRUE	FALSE
Pakistan's water supplies have been disrupted by the floods.		
The flood waters are soaked up by the hard-baked ground.		
UK families have lost their homes.		
There is no food available in the local markets.		

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The writer of SOURCE A presents both facts and opinions.

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Identify TWO facts ABOUT THE RELIEF OPERATION. [1 mark]

Fact 1 _____

Fact 2 _____



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Identify TWO opinions FROM THE WHOLE TEXT. [1 mark]

Opinion 1 _____

Opinion 2 _____

[Turn over]

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The writer of **SOURCE A** **WANTS TO PERSUADE** readers to sympathise with those affected by the floods and donate money to help them. Explain how they use words and language techniques to do this.

You should include quotations from **SOURCE A** in your answer. [3 marks]

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SECTION B

**Read SOURCE B and answer
QUESTIONS 7 to 11.**



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You are advised to use a dictionary for this question.

SOURCE B states: ‘It can be a bit scary but wonderfully invigorating to enter open water’.

What does the word ‘invigorating’ mean in this quotation?

- A exciting**
- B energising**
- C exhausting**
- D encouraging**

Write the correct letter in the box.

Answer **[1 mark]**

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According to **SOURCE B**,

- A** wild swimming appeals only to middle-aged people.
- B** swimming in cold water can be distressing.
- C** you need to be a good swimmer to go wild swimming.
- D** wild swimming can turn into an irresistible habit.

Write the correct letter in the box.

Answer **[1 mark]**



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Use the information in SOURCE B to decide whether each statement, on the opposite page, is TRUE or FALSE.

Put a tick (✓) in the correct box, on the opposite page. [2 marks]



	TRUE	FALSE
In the 1990s NASA experimented on wild swimmers.		
Older people do not find wild swimming stimulating.		
Rivers are now less polluted than in the 1960s.		
Wild swimmers see the countryside in a new way.		

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From SOURCE B, list THREE ways wild swimming can benefit health. [3 marks]

1 _____

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3 _____



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From SOURCE B, list THREE tips to help a wild swimmer deal with THE COLD.

[3 marks]

1 _____

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3 _____

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SECTION C

**Read SOURCE C and answer
QUESTIONS 12 and 13.**

**You will need to use both SOURCE A and
SOURCE C to answer QUESTION 14.**



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You are advised to use a dictionary for this question.

SOURCE C states: ‘...Solent Water imposed the first hosepipe ban’.

What does the word ‘imposed’ mean in this quotation?

- A considered**
- B discussed**
- C enforced**
- D refused**

Write the correct letter in the box.

Answer **[1 mark]**

[Turn over]



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**From SOURCE C, list THREE ways to reduce water usage IN THE KITCHEN.
[3 marks]**

1 _____

2 _____

3 _____

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**Compare SOURCE A and SOURCE C.
Write about what they say and how the
material is conveyed.**

**You may wish to refer to the level of
detail, presentation and language,
formality, possible bias and how the
writers come across. [6 marks]**

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END OF QUESTIONS

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