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FIRST LANGUAGE ENGLISH

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Paper 2 Reading Passages (Extended)

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2 hours

Candidates answer on the Question Paper.

READ THESE INSTRUCTIONS FIRST

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Answer **all** questions in the space provided. If additional space is required, you should use the lined pages at the end of this booklet. The question number(s) must be clearly shown.

Dictionaries are **not** permitted.

The Reading Booklet Insert contains the reading passages for use with all questions on the Question Paper. The Insert is **not** assessed by the Examiner.

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

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[Turn over for Question 2]

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3 Summarise:

- (a) the current threats to the polar bear population, as described in **Passage B**;
- (b) the characteristics of grizzly bears **and** their behaviour, as described in **Passage A**.

Your summary must be in continuous writing (full sentences; not note form). Use your own words as far as possible.

Aim to write no more than one side in total, allowing for the size of your handwriting. Write your response on the lines provided on page 9.

Up to 15 marks are available for the content of your answer, and up to 5 marks for the quality of your writing.

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