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**FIRST LANGUAGE ENGLISH**

**0500/33**

Paper 3 Directed Writing and Composition

**October/November 2017**

**2 hours**

Candidates answer on the Question Paper.

No Additional Materials are required.

**READ THESE INSTRUCTIONS FIRST**

Write your Centre number, candidate number and name in the spaces provided.

Write in dark blue or black pen.

Do not use staples, paper clips, glue or correction fluid.

DO **NOT** WRITE IN ANY BARCODES.

Answer **two** questions in the space provided: **Question 1** in **Section 1** and **one** question from **Section 2**.  
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 passage for use with **Question 1** in **Section 1** on the Question Paper.

The Reading Booklet Insert is **not** assessed by the Examiner.

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

This document consists of **11** printed pages, **1** blank page and **1** Reading Booklet Insert.

Read carefully the article in the Reading Booklet Insert and then answer **Section 1, Question 1** on this Question Paper.

**Section 1: Directed Writing**

**Question 1**

Imagine you are Isabelle’s parent. You have made a decision about whether to let her sign the contract or not.

**Write a letter** to the parents of the birthday girl in which you:

- identify and evaluate the issues you think the Friendship Contract raises about the nature of friendship
- explain why, or why not, you will let Isabelle sign the contract and any concerns you might have.

Base your letter on what you have read in the article, but be careful to use your own words. Address each of the bullet points.

Begin your letter, ‘Dear Mr and Mrs Dubois...’.

Write about 250 to 350 words.

**Up to 10 marks are available for the content of your answer, and up to 15 marks for the quality of your writing.**

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**Section 2: Composition****Questions 2, 3, 4 and 5**

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

**Up to 13 marks are available for the content and structure of your answer, and up to 12 marks for the style and accuracy of your writing.**

**Descriptive Writing**

- 2 Describe someone you recognise from a distance at an occasion you are both attending years after you last saw them.

**OR**

- 3 Write a description of the spectators at a sports event.

**OR**

**Narrative Writing**

- 4 Write a story where things do not go according to plan. Use the title, 'Only trying to help...'

**OR**

- 5 Write a story where a character returns to a place they do not wish to go back to.



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