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ENGLISH LANGUAGE (SYLLABUS A) 1190/01

Paper 1 Writing **For examination from 2023**

SPECIMEN PAPER

1 hour 50 minutes

Candidates answer on the Question Paper.

Additional Materials: Insert

READ THESE INSTRUCTIONS FIRST

Write your Centre number, index number and name in the spaces at the top of this page.
Write in dark blue or black ballpoint pen.
Do not use staples, paper clips, glue, correction fluid/tape or highlighters.
DO **NOT** WRITE ON ANY BARCODES.

Answer **Section A**, **Section B** and one question from **Section C**.
Write your answers in the spaces provided on the Question Paper.
The Insert contains the text for **Section B**.

The number of marks is given in brackets [ ] at the start of each section.

This document consists of **12** printed pages.

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Section A [10 marks]

Question 1

Carefully read the text below, consisting of 12 lines, about the Night Safari. The first and last lines are correct. For the remaining ten lines, there is one grammatical error in each line.

Circle the incorrect word and write the correct word in the space provided.

The correct word you provide must not change the original meaning of the sentence.

Example:

I arrived (to) my destination at 2 p.m. .....at.....

In 1994, the Night Safari, the world's first nocturnal zoo, opened in Singapore.

It is home to more than 1000 animals, many of who are endangered. **1** .....

The Night Safari is in a tropical forest, but, unlike another zoos, it only opens at night. **2** .....

It is divided by seven zones, which can be explored on foot along walking **3** .....

trails or by tram. Guides will thrill you with interested facts about the animals **4** .....

and allow you to get close to those. The possibilities are endless. Count the **5** .....

spots on a leopard and be astounded as it climbed a tree, or watch squirrels **6** .....

jumping between trees. When you are lucky, you might see lions eating **7** .....

or having the chance to feed elephants. Afterwards, enjoy your own meal in a **8** .....

tent on the lakeside. Finally, why not spent the rest of your time at one of the **9** .....

late shows and be amazed as the animals displays their natural talents. **10** .....

It is no wonder that the Night Safari is Singapore's top tourist attraction.

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Section B [30 marks]

You are advised to write between 180 and 250 words for this section.

Question 2

You should look at the leaflet in the Insert, read the information carefully and plan your answer before you begin to write.

Your cousin has just started secondary school and is not sure which Co-Curricular Activity (CCA) to choose. The school gave your cousin a leaflet which describes four different types of CCAs. Your cousin has sent you this leaflet, asking how you made the choice when you started secondary school, and also for your advice on how to select the most suitable CCA.

Write an email to your cousin giving advice.

You must include the following details in your email:

- which CCA you chose **and** why
- how you benefited from your chosen CCA
- the things your cousin needs to think about when choosing a CCA
- suggest one type of CCA for your cousin **and** say why.

You may add any other details you think will be helpful.

Write your email in clear, accurate English. Make sure your tone is encouraging and informative in order to help your cousin to make the right choice.

You should **use your own words** as much as possible.

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Section C [30 marks]

You are advised to write between 250 and 400 words on <u>one</u> of the following topics.

Questions 3–6

3 What are the advantages and disadvantages of students having part-time jobs during school holidays?

4 Write about an occasion when you had a problem with technology at home. Give details of what happened and how you solved the problem.

5 'Spending time with friends is just as beneficial as spending time with family.' Do you agree? Why or why not?

6 Describe a game you and people your age play, and explain what makes it enjoyable.

Please write your chosen question number (**3**, **4**, **5** or **6**) here: …….

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