CAMBRIDGE

FIRST CERTIFICATE IN ENGLISH
for Schools

Writing

Sample Test 1

Time 1 hour 20 minutes

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Do not open this question paper until you are told to do so.

Write your name, centre number and candidate number on your answer sheet if they are not already there.

Read the instructions for each part of the paper carefully.

Answer the Part 1 question and one question from Part 2.

Write your answers on the answer sheet.

Write clearly in **pen**, not pencil. You may make alterations, but make sure your work is easy to read.

You **must** complete the answer sheet within the time limit.

At the end of the test, hand in both this question paper and your answer sheet.

INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES

Each question in this paper carries equal marks.

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Part 1

You **must** answer this question. Write your answer in **140** – **190** words in an appropriate style **on the separate answer sheet**.

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1 In your English class you have been talking about computer games. Now, your English teacher has asked you to write an essay for homework.

Write your essay using **all** the notes and giving reasons for your point of view.

Some people say teenagers should spend less time playing computer games.
What do you think?

Notes

Write about:

1. whether teenagers spend too much time playing computer games
2. what teenagers can learn from computer games
3. ..... (your own idea)

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Part 2

Write an answer to **one** of the questions **2** – **5** in this part. Write your answer in **140** – **190** words in an appropriate style **on the separate answer sheet**. Put the question number in the box at the top of the answer sheet.

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2 You see this announcement on an English-language website for teenagers.

Reviews wanted

Interesting shop

Write a review of an interesting shop you have visited. Describe this shop and tell us about the things people can buy there. What do you particularly like about the shop? Is there anything that could improve it? Would you recommend the shop to other teenagers?

We will publish the best reviews next week.

Write your **review**.

3 You see this announcement in an English-language magazine for teenagers.

Articles wanted
Protecting the environment

Do you think it is important to protect the environment, for example by recycling things or saving energy? Why? How do young people help to protect the environment in the area where you live? Do you have any ideas for other things that people could do to protect the environment?

We'll publish the best articles!

Write your **article**.

4 You have seen this announcement in an English-language magazine for young people.

Stories wanted

We are looking for stories for our English-language magazine for teenagers. Your story must **begin** with this sentence:

Chris ran towards the edge of the lake.

Your story must include:

- a boat
- a surprise

Write your **story**.

5 Write about an important relationship in *Great Expectations*. How does the relationship change?

Write your **essay**.

[Note: Students who have studied the set text in class may choose to answer Question 5. The set text mentioned above is an example and will change each year.]

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