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Given name(s)

Family name

Selective High School Placement Test

Writing Question Paper

11 March 2021

30 minutes

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Please read this page carefully.

DO NOT OPEN THIS QUESTION PAPER UNTIL YOU ARE TOLD TO DO SO.

A separate answer sheet is provided for this test. Please fill in the following information on your answer sheet and on this question paper:

- Student application number
- Given name(s)
- Family name

Please ensure you fill in your student application number on both sides of the answer sheet.

This question paper contains **one** task.

There is space on the question paper for notes. **Your answer must be written on the answer sheet provided.** No additional answer sheets may be used.

The task provides an opportunity for you to show how well you can select, develop and organise ideas and communicate them effectively in writing.

Before you begin writing, take time to think carefully about what you need to say and the ways in which the organisation and layout of your response might help express your message.

You **must** complete your response within **30 minutes**.

Calculators and dictionaries are **NOT** allowed.



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You can use this space and the back page for any planning or notes.

Remember that your answer must be written on the separate answer sheet provided.

- 1 Read the task below and write your answer **on the separate answer sheet**.

Chaos on the beach

A shipping container with party accessories has been washed up on a beach. The container has burst open and the contents have gone everywhere. Crowds of people have rushed to the beach to have a look at the balloons, plastic straws, plates, cups and fancy dress costumes, etc.

Write a newspaper report about this incident for the local paper.

In your report, you could:

- explain what has happened
- describe the impact on the beach and the sea
- include comments from different people.



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