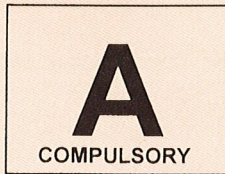


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ENGLISH LANGUAGE
PAPER 1 PART A
QUESTION-ANSWER BOOK**



Write your Candidate Number and stick a barcode label in the space provided on pages 1 and 3.

Read Texts 1-2 and answer questions 1-22. (42 marks)

Text 1

1. For each word given below, find a word which has a similar meaning in the specified classified ad. (3 marks)

(i) 'free' (Classified Ad 1): _____

(ii) 'schools' (Classified Ad 2): _____

(iii) 'teach' (Classified Ad 3): _____

2. Which of the classified ads do the following statements refer to? Select ONE classified ad for each statement. If the statement does not match any ad, select 'X'. (3 marks)

Statements

This ad...	Ad 1	Ad 2	Ad 3	X
(i) states the monthly fees.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
(ii) mentions the teacher's personality.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
(iii) indicates that the teacher will travel to the student.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

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3. Some of the comments below are from the music teachers in the classified ads. Match each comment with a classified ad in Text 1. (3 marks)

(i) I have the most teaching experience.

- A. Ad 1
- B. Ad 2
- C. Ad 3
- D. Does not match any ad

A B C D

(ii) I teach different kinds of musical instruments.

- A. Ad 1
- B. Ad 2
- C. Ad 3
- D. Does not match any ad

A B C D

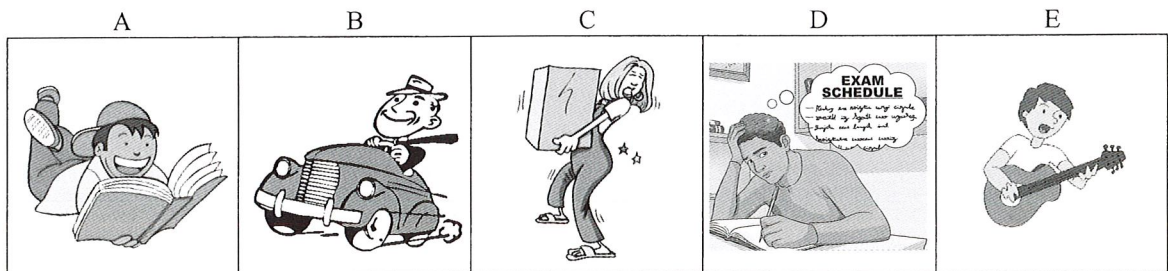
(iii) I don't teach beginners.

- A. Ad 1
- B. Ad 2
- C. Ad 3
- D. Does not match any ad

A B C D

Text 2

4. Which two activities are NOT mentioned in paragraph 1 as tasks people do while listening to music? Write the letters for the two activities in the boxes below. (1 mark)



Activity and activity .

5. What does 'that' (line 5) refer to?

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6. Complete the summary of paragraphs 3 and 4 by writing ONE word in each blank. You should make sure your answers are grammatically correct. (7 marks)

Paying Attention

Surprisingly, the human brain finds it (i) _____ to think about one thing for long periods of time.

The brain has two attention systems:

1. The Conscious System

It helps people to focus and is related to higher reasoning. It operates at a (ii) _____ speed.

2. The Unconscious System

It helps people to notice anything that our senses consider (iii) _____.

It is linked to how our (iv) _____ guide the processing of our surroundings. The system is (v) _____ functioning even when we are focusing on something else.

We are easily distracted by unexpected noises even when the distraction is not as (vi) _____ as the task we are engaged in. When the task is boring, this distraction is even (vii) _____.

7. What does 'You can't help it' (line 14) mean?

- A. You cannot stop the noise.
B. You have to focus on the noise.
C. You will feel scared when you hear the noise.
D. You will definitely hear noises when home alone.

A B C D

8. Find a word or phrase that the writer uses in paragraph 4 to draw readers' attention to the fact that the unconscious attention system can cause us problems.

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9. What does 'it' (line 17) refer to?

10. Find a word in paragraph 5 which has a similar meaning to 'harmless'.

11. Give ONE example of a distraction mentioned in paragraph 5.

12. According to paragraph 6, the main benefit of listening to music when working on an important task in a library is to...

- A. stop the non-invasive noises.
- B. create enjoyment for the listener.
- C. neutralise the pleasurable feelings.
- D. cancel the effect of the unconscious system.

A B C D

13. When the writer says 'it really is down to personal preference' (line 32), he/she means...

- A. people prefer to dance to funky music.
- B. people study while listening to catchy lyrics.
- C. people focus better listening to music they enjoy.
- D. people make better choices when listening to music.

A B C D

14. Find a word in paragraph 8 which can be replaced by 'reduces'.

15. Explain why playing only one type of music in a classroom would 'end up with mixed results' (line 34).

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16. 'Working companions' (line 36) refers to _____
_____.

17. Based on the information in paragraphs 11-12, complete the timeline of the development of video game soundtracks using ONE word from the text. (6 marks)

Early video games

At the start, technological (i) _____ resulted in the use of somewhat (ii) _____ music.

Next 10-20 years

Game soundtracks improved so they were (iii) _____ without being (iv) _____ for the players.

Latest development

With advances in (v) _____ the game producers are choosing from a wider range of music. The difficulty is keeping the (vi) _____ right so players enjoy the music whilst focusing on their game.

18. Describe the irony in paragraph 12.

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19. Which type of music is considered to be extremely useful in helping people concentrate?

- A. sad music
- B. video game music
- C. heavy metal music
- D. motivational music

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20. Which of the following is the best title for Text 2?

- A. Why is music important?
- B. How does your brain function?
- C. Why does your brain like music?
- D. Can music really help you concentrate?

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21. Which of the following best describes the intention of the writer of Text 2?

- A. To defend his point of view.
- B. To present some new research.
- C. To explain a puzzling observation.
- D. To persuade readers to change their habits.

A	B	C	D
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Read the Comments (lines 52-62) and answer question 22.

22. What is the most likely opinion of each of the four people towards the statement 'Music helps me study'?

(4 marks)

	Agrees	Disagrees	Neither agrees nor disagrees
(i) Laura	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
(ii) Sandy	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
(iii) John	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
(iv) Leo	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

END OF PART A

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