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Paper 2

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TIME 2 HOURS

Plus 10 minutes for reading through the paper

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

This paper consists of 14 printed pages.
Count them now. Inform the invigilator if there is any missing.

PART ONE:	Reading Comprehension	35
PART TWO:	Vocabulary	25
PART THREE:	Grammar	20
PART FOUR:	Composition	20
	Total	100 marks

- Answer ALL questions.
- No extra paper is allowed.

Part One**Section A READING COMPREHENSION 1**

It can be shown in facts and figures that cycling is the cheapest, most convenient and most environmentally desirable form of transport in town, but such calculations do not mean much on frosty winter morning. The real appeal of cycling is that it is enjoyable. It has none of difficulties and tensions of other ways of travelling so you are more cheerful after a ride even through the rush hour.

The first thing a non-cyclist says to you is: "but isn't terribly dangerous?" it would be foolish to deny the danger of sharing the road with motor vehicles and it must be admitted that there are an alarming number of accidents involving cyclists. However, although police records indicate that the car driver is often to blame, the answer lies with the cyclist. It is possible to ride in such a way as to reduce risks to a minimum. If you decide to join the thousands of Brits who are now returning to cycling as a cheap, satisfying form of transport, your first problem will be trying to decide what bike to buy. Here are three simple rules for buying a bike:

Always buy the best you can afford. Of course there has to be a meeting point between what you would really like and economic reality, but aim as high as you can and you will get the benefit not only when you ride but also if you want to sell. Well-made bikes keep their value very well. And don't forget to include in your calculations the fact that you'll begin saving money on fares and petrol the minute you leave the shop.

Get the best frame, the main structure of the bicycle, for your money as you can. Cheap brakes, wheels or gears can easily be replaced by more expensive ones, but the frame sets the upper limit on any transformation. You should allow for the possibility that your cycling ambitions will grow with practice. When you begin, the four miles to work may be the most you ever dream of, but after a few months a Sunday ride into the country begins to look more and more desirable. The best thing is to buy a bike just little bit better than you think you'll need, and then grow into it. Otherwise, get a model that can be improved.

The fit is vital. The handlebars and seat height can be adjusted but you must get the right sized frame on the whole, it is the best to get the largest size you can manage. Frame sizes are

measured in inches and the usual adult range is from 21 to 25 inches, though extreme sizes outside those measurements you will end up with the right size of bike. The basic principle though is that you should be able to stand with legs either side of the cross bar (the bar that goes from the handlebars to seat) with both feet comfortably flat on the ground.

Read the passage and answer the following questions.

8 x 2 = 16 marks

1. Name two things in the passage that is desirable for transportation in town?

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2. What is the most dangerous thing that cyclist face when they are using roads?

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3. List down advantages of using cycling

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4. How the frame sizes are measured?

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5. Mention the main parts of a bicycle?

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6. Find an important rule for buying a bicycle

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7. Why bicycle fitness is so important?

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8. Select a suitable title from the given choices for the passage

- a. economic reality
- b. enjoyable cycling
- c. cycling
- d. none of the above

Section B

Choose the best answer from the given choices

(4 Marks)

1. As regards to road safety, the author thinks that

- a. People who say cycling is dangerous are foolish
- b. Driving is dangerous as cycling
- c. Can often avoid accidents by riding with caution
- d. Cyclists are usually responsible for causing accidents

2. People who are buying their first bicycle are advised to
 - a. buy a cheap model to begin
 - b. get a bicycle which suits their current needs
 - c. buy as big bicycle as they can avoid
 - d. spend as much money as they can

3. After you have been cycling for a few months the author
 - a. Wants to ride only at week ends
 - b. To ride further then you first managed
 - c. Find riding to work every day morning
 - d. Find cycling in towns less dangerous

4. The author says that the best way to ensure that a bike is right size for you is to
 - a. alter the position of the handlebars and the seat
 - b. Measure the distance from the handlebar to the seat carefully
 - c. Take your leg measurements while sitting on the seat
 - d. See if your feet rest firmly on the ground

Section C

READING COMPREHENSION II

Substance abuse is a major challenge to the nations of east Africa. The favorite and widely available drug is kat, but there are other drugs like cigarettes, marijuana and alcohol that are used as well. Khat is a tall plant that grows best in high elevation areas. The leaves are harvested in Ethiopia and transported to other countries by trucks. It is then sold in the streets at kiosks.

In khat shops scatted around the region, men of all ages spend hours chewing on the leaves. This has catastrophic effects on their health and society in general. Drug abuse may cause hypertension, insomnia, infertility and even cancer. It's effect on health services has become unbearable. Addiction to khat causes laziness as its users live in a world of ilusion and daydreams.

Drug abuse is not only in east Africa, but it's common almost everywhere. Some people are calling for a ban on drugs like khat. However proponents of the drug claim that it will drive users to more dangerous drugs. Also, many people don't realize that it falls under the same ruling as alcohol in Islam. Thus, it doesn't look like it will be banned any time soon.

Like most plants, khat has medical values. If used under correct prescription, it may help in treating fatigue, obesity, gastric ulcers and a few other diseases.

Read the passage and answer the question

(10 Marks)

1. Where does Khat grow best?

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2. What is the favorite drug used widely in East Africa?

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3. Identify two bad effects caused by khat chewing?

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4. Give one reason why it is hard to ban Khat?

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5. What if any, are advantages of Khat?

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Match the words on the left with their meanings on the right the first one is done for you
(5 Marks)

1	Insomnia	C	a	It's haram and makes you drunk
2	Obesity		b	Couldn't take pain any more
3	Alcohol		c	Unable to sleep
4	Unbearable		d	Extreme tiredness
5	Fatigue		e	Fatness

Part Two Vocabulary

Section A.

(5 X1 = 5 Marks)

Find the meaning and which part of speech belongs to for the below listed words the first one has been done for you as an example.

Vocabulary	Part of speech	Meaning
hasty	Adjective	Fast
wait		
events		
hidden		
easy		
split		

Section B

(10 marks)

Fill the blanks space with words provided in box below.

The first one has been done for you as an example.

Risk, decorated, tension, desirable, Transformation, frosty, admit, terribly, Opinion, afford, cheerful

(E.g) it is desirable for us to go for a picnic in July

1. The nights in winter are _____ and snow falls occasionally
2. There was a lot of _____ between Hamda and Mariam
3. The house needs to be _____
4. I was wrong and _____ it
5. Don't take the _____ of losing all of your money
6. He would be _____ upset
7. I cannot _____ to buy that bicycling
8. What's the bus _____?
9. The _____ is complete?
10. My _____ is far different than yours.

Section C.

Complete the sentences using these words.

(10 marks)

Vaccinated, prefers, promised, affection, alternative, improve, entire, calm, dismiss, pleased

1. My uncle _____ tea to coffee
2. Honey is an excellent _____ to sugar
3. Amina was afraid of malaria, so she got _____ before traveling to Kenya
4. They _____ to fix the window that they broke
5. Many fathers prefer not to show any _____
6. Omar didn't sleep he was a wake the _____ night

7. If you want to _____ your writing skills you need to read a lot
8. You shouldn't _____ some one's ideas just because you dislike him.
9. It was late at night and Ahmed was lost. He has to stay _____ and find his way.
10. My mother was very _____ to see that I wasn't wasting my time

Part Three: Grammar**Section A: Correct the words in brackets****(10 Marks).**

1. Jama came home while we _____ (Work) in the farm.
2. He is ___(be) very reliable
3. My bicycle is _____ (expense) than yours.
4. All is _____ (Good) than his brother in sports
5. The real appeal of _____(cycle) is that it is enjoyable
6. The man who committed the crime _____ (arrest)
7. They _____ be doctors before two years
8. Cheap brakes wheels can easily _____ (replace) by more expensive ones.
9. Ali always likes _____ (play) football.
10. Yesterday the tycoon _____(Kill) by a gunman

Section B: Circle the correct answer from the given phrasal verbs**5 X 2 = 10**

1. As soon as the sun came out, everyone _____ the beach
 - a. Headed for
 - b. Sorted out
 - c. Go over
 - d. Come up

2. Despite the rain outdoor foot players continued to _____ as planned.
- Come over
 - Go ahead
 - Sort out
 - Put out
3. One word that was _____ in the text was obligatory. What does it mean in this context?
- To play
 - Hooked up
 - Pulled out
 - Missed out
4. Promise me that you'll have _____ the mess by the time we get home
- Headed for
 - Sorted out
 - Go over
 - Come up
5. In order to build the new highway a lot of old buildings had to be
- Put out
 - Kicked out
 - Pulled down
 - Missed out

Part Four

(20 Marks)

Select one of the following topics to write a composition of not less than 200 words either

Topic A.

University graduation ceremonies you have attended include the following in your writing.

When did it start?

- High profile people attended
- The guest of honor
- The number of student graduated and their faculties
- Who gave a speech?
- The refreshments given
- How it ended?

Or

A young Somaliland popular singer/poet. Include the following information in your composition

- Name of the signer/poet
- His/her age
- Where he/she was born?
- Why was he popular?
- Some of his /her famous songs/poems
- Future expectation

