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<p>Paper 3183/01 Composition</p>
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General comments

Candidates performed often well on this paper this year. Most of the questions proved accessible for the majority of candidates.

Candidates who performed well demonstrated good understanding of the question requirements and the question's theme was answered in detail.

Outstanding answers showed an ability to produce a piece of writing that has accurate language, wide and precise vocabulary, had accurate spelling, used varied sentence structure, showed evidence of planning by using paragraphs and well linked sentences and addressed the topic with consistent relevance; the interest of the reader is aroused and sustained.

Comments on specific questions

Section A – Letter, Report or Speech, Dialogue

Question 1

- (a) Some candidates succeeded in writing a letter about their worst school trip, using appropriate and accurate vocabulary. Some answers used extensive greeting phrases, whereas better responses wrote more on the topic itself. Candidates who performed well demonstrated good understanding of the question and wrote with accurate spelling and correct sentence structure. Less successful answers did not seem able to conjugate verbs or use the correct attached pronouns and have many spelling mistakes that make understanding the meaning difficult.
- (b) This question has not been attempted in this section. It would be good to support students to learn more about healthy lifestyle and the effect of fast food on their health.
- (c) Many candidates demonstrated a good level of writing skills throughout their dialogue to express their opinion about the best learning method, online or in class. Less successful answers tended to focus on long greetings and pre-learned expressions and paragraphs and they could improve their answers by having accurate sentence structure, grammar, and spelling. There is also a need to add more relevant information.

Section B – Essay

Question 2

- (a) Some candidates explained, with details, the well-known saying and linked it to their personal life and experience. Many responses could benefit from using more vocabulary effectively and link it to an example from their personal life to add details. Less successful answers could also benefit from learning how to conjugate verbs or use the correct attached pronouns and avoid spelling mistakes that make understanding the meaning difficult.
- (b) A few good responses discussed in detail the issue of whether or not to ban cars from big cities and its impact on the environment. Others needed to develop more information and detailed answers and avoid repetition. They also needed to apply accurate sentence structures, grammar and accurate spelling.

- (c) Some answers showed an ability to describe events dynamically. A few stronger answers described the well-known celebration with high level vocabulary, strong structures and answers also used relevant idioms and special phrases that helped to engage the reader. Less successful answers tended to repeat information and had many spelling mistakes.
- (d) A few strong responses narrated, with an effective use of a wide range of vocabulary, what happened on the first day at the sport centre. Less successful answers did not seem able to conjugate verbs or use the correct attached pronouns and had many spelling mistakes that made understanding the meaning difficult.

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<p>Paper 3183/02 Reading Comprehension</p>
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Key messages

In order to do well in this paper, candidates should:

- Ensure that they plan their time for each question and allow time for thorough checking of their work.
- Ensure that their work is legible and logically presented.
- Read the passage carefully before beginning to translate.

General comments

Almost all candidates were able to answer these questions successfully and confidently. A point to consider is that candidates need to answer all parts of the question where there are two or three elements to it.

Comments on specific questions

Section A

Reading Comprehension

Question 1

Most candidates demonstrated an excellent understanding of the question and got the answer right.

Question 2

This was answered well by most candidates, a few candidates did not mention the second element
(تعرض الكثير من مصادر المياه للتلوث)

Question 3

Most candidates answered this question correctly.

Question 4

Many candidates did not answer this question correctly. A few were able to indicate the correct answer.

Question 5

Many candidates answered this question with no difficulties.

Question 6

A small number of candidates answered this question incorrectly.

Question 7

This question was managed by candidates fairly well.

Question 8

Quite a few candidates seemed to have misunderstood this question and thus did not answer correctly.

Question 9

Many candidates answered this question with no difficulties.

Question 10

There were some incorrect answers and quite a lot of candidates left the question with no response.

Question 11

The majority of candidates found this question very challenging, some synonyms, e.g. يقوي ، تأسيس