

# Cambridge O Level

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**[SYLLABUS TITLE]**

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Paper 1 Writing and Translation

**For examination from 2028**

**SPECIMEN PAPER**

**1 hour 45 minutes**

You must answer on the question paper.

No additional materials are needed.

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## INSTRUCTIONS

- Answer **three** questions in total:
  - Section A: answer **one** question.
  - Section B: answer **one** question.
  - Section C: answer Question 6.
- Use a black or dark blue pen.
- Write your name, centre number and candidate number in the boxes at the top of the page.
- Write your answer to each question in the space provided.
- Do **not** use an erasable pen. Do **not** use correction fluid or tape.
- Do **not** write on any bar codes.

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## INFORMATION

- The total mark for this paper is 50.
- The number of marks for each question or part question is shown in brackets [ ].

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## **Section A – Letter, Report or Speech**

Answer **one** question from this section.

Write a composition in **[Target Language]** of about 120 words. Choose **one** of the following tasks.

Either

1 Your name is Bibi/Abdool and you live in Port Louis. A famous person visited your school recently. Write a letter about the visit to your friend.

Your letter should include the following points:

- why the famous person visited your school
- who was the famous person and what they are famous for
- what the famous person did during their visit to your school
- what you think was the benefit of their visit
- which famous person will be invited next year and why.

Or

**2** Write a speech for the pupils of your school about how to avoid wasting food.

Your speech should include the following points:

- why you decided to give a speech on this topic
- why you think it is important not to waste food
- what you did last week to avoid wasting food at home or at school
- what to do with leftover food at weddings and other events
- what else you will do to prevent wasting food.

Up to 8 marks are available for the content of your answer and up to 8 marks for the language.



## **Section B – Essay**

Answer **one** question from this section.

Write an essay in **[Target Language]** of about 200 words. Choose **one** of the following tasks.

Either

3 Every young person in Mauritius should study at university. Do you agree?

Or

#### 4 Describe a beautiful building by the sea.

Or

5 Coming home from school, you saw some people at the end of the road and you started walking towards them. Narrate what happened next.

Up to 12 marks are available for the content of your answer and up to 12 marks for the language.





## Section C – Translation

Answer the question.

## 6 Translate the following passage into [Target Language].

Physical activity benefits our health. I never used to exercise, but nowadays I do a lot of sports. I play badminton and football every Sunday with my friends. I like to ride my bicycle and I usually go swimming twice a week with my older brother. When I was younger, I didn't do any sport. I never played outside with the other kids because it was too tiring. When I am older I would like to do more sport. I would like to try mountain climbing because I think it is exciting, although it can sometimes be dangerous.

Up to 5 marks are available for the content of your answer and up to 5 marks for language.

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