



Oxford Cambridge and RSA

Thursday 23 May 2024 – Morning

GCSE (9–1) English Language

J351/01 Communicating information and ideas

Time allowed: 2 hours



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INSTRUCTIONS

- Use black ink.
- Write your answer to each question in the space provided. If you need extra space use the lined pages at the end of this booklet. The question numbers must be clearly shown.
- Answer **all** the questions in Section A and **one** question in Section B.
- Use the Insert to answer the questions in Section A.

INFORMATION

- The total mark for this paper is **80**.
- The marks for each question are shown in brackets [].
- Quality of extended response will be assessed in questions marked with an asterisk (*).
- This document has **16** pages.

ADVICE

- Read each question carefully before you start your answer.
- Read the Insert carefully before you start your answers to Section A.

Section A

Reading information and ideas

You should spend **about 1 hour** on this section.

Question 1 is about **Text 1**, *Autobiography* by Joseph Carey Merrick.

1 Look at lines 1–10.

(a) Give **one** phrase that shows that Joseph Carey Merrick was like other children when he was younger.

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(b) Give **one** phrase that explains what Joseph Carey Merrick's greatest misfortune was.

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(c) Explain **two** reasons why Joseph Carey Merrick's stepmother made his life a misery.

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Section B

Writing for audience, impact and purpose

Choose **one** of the writing tasks.

You should spend **about 1 hour** on this section.

In questions marked with an asterisk (*) you will be assessed on the quality of your extended response. You should plan and check your work carefully.

EITHER

5* Write the words of a speech to advise young people how to achieve success.

You should:

- describe what makes it hard for young people to achieve success
- advise young people how they can achieve success
- explain how young people will realise they have succeeded.

[40]

OR

6* Write a letter to the editor of a newspaper to argue that people should not be judged on their appearance.

You should:

- describe how people are judged on their appearance
- explain why people are judged on their appearance
- argue why people should not be judged on their appearance.

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END OF QUESTION PAPER

EXTRA ANSWER SPACE

If you need extra space use this lined page. You must write the question numbers clearly in the margin.

A large area of the page is reserved for writing answers. It is bounded by a solid vertical line on the left and a solid horizontal line at the top. The interior of this area is filled with horizontal dotted lines, providing a guide for writing. The dotted lines are spaced evenly down the page.



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