

Candidate Name

Civics Group

General Paper Tutor



MERIDIAN JUNIOR COLLEGE
J2 Preliminary Examination
Higher 1

H1 General Paper

Paper 2

8807/02

15 September 2014

1 hour 30 minutes

Candidates answer on the Question Paper

Additional Materials: 1 Insert

READ THESE INSTRUCTIONS FIRST

Write your **full name**, **civics group** and **GP tutor's name** in the spaces at the top of this page.
Write in dark blue or black ink on both sides of the paper.
Do not use correction fluid or correction tape.

Answer **all** questions.

The Insert contains the passage for comprehension.

(Note that 15 marks out of 50 will be awarded for your use of language.)

At the end of the examination, submit your Question Paper. You do not need to submit the Insert.
The number of marks is given in brackets [] at the end of each question or part question.

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TOTAL	/50

Read the passage in the Insert and then answer **all** the questions which follow below. Note that up to fifteen marks will be given for the quality and accuracy of your use of English throughout this Paper.

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NOTE: When a question asks for an answer **IN YOUR OWN WORDS AS FAR AS POSSIBLE** and you select the appropriate material from the passage for your answer, you must still use your own words to express it. Little credit can be given to answers which only copy words or phrases from the passage.

- 1 Explain what the author means by referring to the need to defend the English language today as 'sentimental archaism' in line 5.

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- 2 In paragraph 2, why does the author raise the example of a man taking to drink? **Use your own words as far as possible.**

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- 3 In lines 20–21, why does the author believe that 'the fight against bad English is not frivolous'? **Use your own words as far as possible.**

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- 4 In line 29, why does the author liken English phrases to 'sections of a prefabricated house'? **Use your own words as far as possible.**

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- 5 In paragraph 5, what are the similarities and differences between how people treat the words 'fascism' and 'democracy'? **Use your own words as far as possible.**

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- 6 Why does the author describe the speaker's spectacles as 'blank discs which seem to have no eyes behind them' in lines 45–46? **Use your own words as far as possible.**

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- 7 'One becomes a cuttlefish spurting out ink.'
Explain the author's use of this metaphor in paragraph 8.

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- 8 In paragraph 9, identify **three** explanations that the author offers for the spread of bad usage of language even among people who should know better. **Use your own words as far as possible.**

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- Political writing today*

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