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Paper 3206/01 Composition

General comments

A wide range of marks was achieved on this Paper. On the whole, candidates were more fluent and accurate, and, therefore, performed better than last year.

Question 1(a) was almost as popular as 1(c). Some candidates did very well and scored high marks. Question 2(a) was the most popular topic in *Section B*.

Across both sections, the weakest candidates made a lot of spelling errors and struggled to construct sentences accurately. However, it should be noted that the stronger candidates this year made significantly fewer spelling errors than was the case last year

There was no indication that candidates had run out of time, nor were there any rubric infringements.

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Paper 3206/02

Translation and Reading Comprehension

General comments

On the whole, candidates performed better than last year. A wide range of marks was attained. Weaker candidates tended to do badly across all parts of this paper, but in general, even the weaker candidates tended to fare better on this Paper than on Paper 1, which requires more imaginative and active input.

Comments on specific questions

Quite a large number of candidates confused answers to **Questions 2** and **3**. Candidates are reminded that they need to read all the questions carefully, before starting to write.

Most candidates scored good marks for **Questions 4** to **9**, while many candidates gave only part of the information required for **Question 11**, or confused the question with **Question 10**.

Scripts did not indicate that candidates ran out of time, nor were there any rubric infringements.