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**English B – Higher level – Paper 1 Anglais B – Niveau supérieur – Épreuve
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Instructions to candidates

- Do not open this examination paper until instructed to do so.
- Choose one task. Each task is worth **[30marks]**.
- The maximum mark for this examination paper is **[30marks]**.

Instructions destinées aux candidats

- N'ouvrez pas cette épreuve avant d'y être autorisé(e).
- Choisissez une tâche. Chaque tâche vaut **[30 points]**.
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Instrucciones para los alumnos

- No abra esta prueba hasta que se lo autoricen.
- Elija una tarea. Cada tarea vale **[30 puntos]**.
- La puntuación máxima para esta prueba de examen es **[30puntos]**.

Respond to **one** of the following tasks. Write 450 to 600 words.

Task 1

You are currently spending an entire month in a country with a culture quite different from your own. You want to record the experience as it happens (the good and the bad) and how you feel about it so that you will always remember. Choose one of the text types from the box below, explain how the opportunity came about, describe your experiences, compare the culture to your own and reflect on the impact that you feel it will have on you in the future.

Letter

Blog

Diary

Task 2

You have been unjustly accused of serious academic misconduct that could have a very negative impact on your graduation status and university acceptance. You suspect that another classmate may have identified you in order to disguise his/her own involvement. Choose one of the text types from the box below to explain to your head of school the situation, provide evidence that would support your claim of innocence and indicate how you would like to see the issue with your classmate resolved.

Letter

Blog

Speech

Task 3

It has come to your attention that an area of land in your community that is currently a nature preserve has just been sold to a company that plans to build a large recycling facility there. The facility will provide a great deal of economic benefit to the community, but will almost certainly result in significant loss of plant and animal habitats. You don't believe that all of the residents are aware of the impact of this. Choose one of the text types from the box below to explain the situation to the thousands of area residents, express your point of view, and what (if any) action should be taken in response to the sale of the land and the company's plans.

Letter

Speech

News Report

Name: Jerry Jiang.

Task: 3

Text type: Speech.

Dear Friends:

Acknowledge your audience and introduce yourself. Build your ethos.

Today I would like to address a big decision that's closely related to our Metchosin community. It has been brought to my attention that the recycling company "Let's Recycle" (LR for short), has purchased the natural preserve in Metchosin. Some of you might have heard the news, but today, I'm going to explain the situation to you with my knowledge on the recycling industry, chemistry, and business management, express my point of view to this decision, and ~~then~~ finally, what action, in my opinion, should be taken in response, so that you can understand more thoroughly and evaluate the pros and cons of this decision more reasonably.

As we all know, we have the most beautiful bay and scenario here at Metchosin, and the natural preserve we have has been organic and filled with natural plant and wild animals for over two hundred years. But as the LR company has purchased the land, they're entitled to do whatever they want to the natural preserve. Their plan is to build a recycling factory. This factory involves compressing recycling materials and recollect precious substance ~~with~~ through chemical processes. This may seem fancy, but it's not rocket science at all. let me explain. For precious metal, there will be strong acid added to that in a huge reactor to extract the metal like gold in electrical panel, titanium and cups, aluminium in all kinds of packaging. For the mixture of waste materials that can't be extracted, they will be put into a giant compressor in order to become regenerated board that can be used to manufacture furnitures. As you might have noticed, the huge reactor, giant compressor, and other accompanying equipments that come along with take up a lot of spaces. So, when they are installed, almost the entire natural reserve will be taken up. The ~~and~~ wild life and plants will have to be removed. Furthermore, the fume of these recycling processes will pollute the air and dissolve into water so that the air we breathe every day and the water supply we use. *incomplete*

quite unclear

I've listed the situation of this major change to our Metchozin community, and my view is neither totally positive nor totally negative. I love the natural preserve we have here as this has been a part of my life since I was a kid. Wiping out the plant and animals is also very cruel. The natural preserve is their home and what the LR company is doing is to invade and drive them out from their own home or even eliminat^e them. Imagine^{me} what it feels like if someone does the same to you? Furthermore, the compound cyanide used in the recycling processes is extremely toxic and very hard to remove once entered the water supply system. We have to be extra careful not to be poisoned by the chemical, not mentioning the deteriorating air quality we have that we breathe every day. But the reason I don't vote completely against this change is ~~that~~ because of the huge environmental benefit that can be brought to Metchozin. The economy in our town is in recession and more and more of you are becoming unemployed. As the LR company has guaranteed to employ 80% of the unemployed population in Metchozin, the economic[?] will be significantly produced and we will be much better off.

Then you may ask: how should we respond with the coexistence of attractive pros and unwelcomed~~ed~~ cons? My opinion is that we still ~~the factory~~ allow the factory to be placed in the natural reserve, but with careful regulations and precautions. The condition of wild life and plants will be fully investigated by experts and they will be moved carefully to other places. Also, the LR company will have to ~~be~~ optimize the size of the facility so that they will only take up at most 60% of the natural reserve. Furthermore, the LR company has to install the most advanced purifier before the fume can be released into the atmosphere, minimizing the potential harm that can be posed to our community. In this way, we can kill two birds with one stone, ~~and~~ getting a boost in the economy while not ^{introducing} ~~putting~~ too much damage to the society.

~~Please spend the time to go~~ Through my speech today, I hope you have a better understanding of what's going on. Spread the information to family and friends that aren't present here today. ~~Have~~ Contemplate on what is the

best decision for the community as a whole in your opinion and a vote session will be conducted 3 days later at the community hall to collect the ~~the~~ thoughts from all of us. Thank you for listening!

I - 12
II - 10
III - 6
28/30

Very good command of the language. There is good variety in vocabulary and sentence structures. Language use is mostly accurate and effective. ~~But~~ Minor errors may be present but these do not undermine the effectiveness of the text.

Message is clear and the task is generally fulfilled. The introductory part, however, needs more context. Moreover, acknowledging the audience and introducing one's self will create a connection between the speaker and the audience, and will ultimately build (and) the speaker's ethos. Other ideas also need further explanation.

Text type chosen is appropriate and effective. Register and tone are effective. The audience and purpose of the speech are well-established.