

**RIVER VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL**

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Higher 1

JC2 Preliminary Examination

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GENERAL PAPER

Paper 2

8807/02**31 AUG 2022****1 hour 30 minutes**

Candidates answer on the Question Paper.

READ THESE INSTRUCTIONS FIRST

Write your Centre number, index number and name on all the work you hand in.

Write in dark blue or black pen.

Do not use staples, paper clips, glue or correction fluid.

Answer **all** questions.

The Insert contains the passage for comprehension.

Note that up to **15** marks out of **50** will be awarded for your use of language.

The number of marks is given in brackets [] at the end of each question or part question.

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Read the passages 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.

From Passage 1

1. Why does the author use the word 'rusted' (line 3) to describe the dichotomy between optimism and pessimism?

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2. How does the author use the example of Heygate Estate to illustrate how we can 'stumble into cruelty' (lines 12-16)? **Use your own words as far as possible.**

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3. Explain two ways in which the author uses language in lines 16-18 to criticise social media.

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4. How does the author explain his claim that pessimism can be a 'consoling force' (line 19)? **Use your own words as far as possible.**

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5. How does the opening line of paragraph 4 support the author's reference to 'life's darkest forces' (lines 25-26)? **Use your own words as far as possible.**

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6. Why does the author place the word 'mere' (line 33) in inverted commas?

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7. Explain the author's use of questions at the end of paragraph 5.

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From Passage 2

8. How does the author illustrate that people prefer books on optimism to books on 'embracing life's miserable condition' (lines 3-4)? **Use your own words as far as possible.**

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- Write your summary in no more than 120 words, not counting the opening words which are printed below. **Use your own words as far as possible.**

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10. According to the author in paragraph 6, how can we 'have a shot at true fraternity' (line 42)?

Use your own words as far as possible.

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11. Suggest why the author wants us to 'resist society's pressure to be a living, breathing smile emoji' (line 45). **Use your own words as far as possible.**

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- How far do you agree with the opinions expressed in these two passages? Illustrate your arguments with examples drawn from your own experience and that of your society.

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