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Paper 2

1 hour 30 minutes

Candidates answer on the Question Paper.
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READ THESE INSTRUCTIONS FIRST

Write your index number and name on all the work you hand in.
Write in dark blue or black pen in the spaces provided on the Question Paper.
Do not use staples, paper clips, highlighters, 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.

At the end of the examination, fasten all your work securely together.
The number of marks is given in brackets [] at the end of each question or part question.

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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.

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 What is the author implying by describing nostalgia as “at best a trait to avoid and at worst a root cause of depressive illness” in lines 3-4?

[1]

- 2 Explain the author's use of the phrase “rose-tinted” to describe peace in line 6.

[1]

- 3 Explain what the author means by the “universality” (line 13) of nostalgia. **Use your own words as far as possible.**

[2]

- 4 Explain the **two** positive effects of nostalgia highlighted in paragraph 2. **Use your own words as far as possible.**

[2]

- 5 Why has the author placed brackets around the comment in lines 16-18?

[2]

- 6 Using material from paragraphs 3-5 only (lines 19-53), summarise how nostalgia benefits us. 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.**

Nostalgia benefits us because _____

[8]

[Number of words:]

- 7 What is the author's purpose in describing nostalgia as being "like choosing neural pathways" and an "inexhaustible bank" (lines 64-65)? **Use your own words as far as possible.**

[3]

- 8 Why does the author describe storytellers as "professional nostalgics" (line 78)?

[2]

- 9 What does the author mean when he describes nostalgic memory as 'bittersweet' in line 79? **Use your own words as far as possible.**

[3]

- 10 What "danger" is the author referring to in line 90? Use your own words as far as possible.

[1]

- Justify your answer with ideas from the passage and your knowledge of your own society.

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