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**PRELIMINARY EXAMINATIONS 2008**  
**Pre-University 3**

**GENERAL PAPER**

**8806/02**

Paper 2

**THURSDAY**

**28 AUGUST 2008**

**1 hour 30 minutes**

Candidates answer on the Question Paper.  
No Additional Materials are required.

**READ THESE INSTRUCTIONS FIRST**

Write your name, class and admission number in the spaces provided at the top of this page and on any separate answer paper used.

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.

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.

The insert contains the passages for comprehension.

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

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Content	/35
Language	/15
Total	/50

This question paper consists of **6** printed pages.

**[Turn over**

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.

**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.

Answer **all** questions.

- 1 Explain, according to paragraph 2, in your own words as far as possible, what determines fear?

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- 2 “fear of God or the fear of Hell” (line 17); “today’s fear of pollution or of cancer.” (line 18)  
From these phrases, what can you deduce about the changing nature of fear in society today?

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- 3 According to paragraph 3, why is the media described as ‘fearsome’ (lines 22-23)?

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- 4 “...fear that requires us to *vigilantly monitor* ... [our lives] since even *mundane* acts are now viewed as *inherently* risky and *dangerous*.” (lines 34-35)  
Explain what the author is saying by bringing out the meaning of the italicised words.

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- 5 From paragraphs 5 to 8, summarise how contemporary fear is different from fear in the past.

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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- 6 Explain what the author means by 'fear... [is] an autonomous cause of illness' (line 68-69)?

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- 7 What does the italicized '*might*' in (line 76) suggest about the writer's attitude towards people who use fear 'as grounds for making a compensation claim' (line 76) and why is this so?

[2]

- 8 Why is fear '...a means through which people respond to make sense of the world' (lines 84-85)?

[1]

- 9 According to paragraph 11, what is the contrast between President's Roosevelt's and today's politicians' approaches to fear?

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- 10 Give the meaning of the following words as they are used in the passage. You may write the answer in a word or a short phrase.

a) catchphrases (line 1)

b) banal (line 34)

c) distinguishing (line 41)

d) perceptible (line 75)

e) mediated (line 79)

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- In giving your views, explain where and why you agree or disagree with the author.

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