



RIVER VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL

JC2 Preliminary Examination

GENERAL PAPER PAPER 2

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27 AUGUST 2019
1 HOUR 30 MINUTES

Candidates answer on the Question Paper.
Additional Material: 1 Insert

READ THESE INSTRUCTIONS FIRST

Write your name, class and index number on all the work you hand in.
Write in dark blue or black pen on both sides of the 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 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.

1. In paragraph 1, what does the author consider to be the main reason for the crisis of loneliness worldwide? **Use your own words as far as possible.**

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2. What reasons does the author suggest for why people in England are told to 'stand on [their] own two feet' (line 11)? **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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4. Explain the paradox in lines 47 to 49. **Use your own words as far as possible.**

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5. Suggest a reason why the author claims in line 55 that neuroscientists can see social rupture.

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6. Explain the author's use of the word 'conversely' in line 60.

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7. What can be inferred about the prison system from the phrase 'knows only too well' (line 62)?

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8. In paragraph 8, what parallels does the author draw between animals that are alone in the wild and humans in fragmented societies? **Use your own words as far as possible.**

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9. What is the author's purpose of including the phrase 'might this provide' (line 78)?

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10. In lines 83 to 86, what does the author suggest about what needs to be done to deal with the problem of loneliness? **Use your own words as far as possible.**

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11. What ideas in paragraphs 9 and 10 support the author's claim that going it alone is 'absurd' and 'dangerous' (line 87)?

(i) Absurd:
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(ii) Dangerous:
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12. George Monbiot raises his concerns about a crisis of loneliness and sheds light on its causes. How far would you agree with his observations, relating your arguments to your own experience and that of your society?

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