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GENERAL PAPER

PAPER 2

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1 hour 30 minutes

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Candidates answer on the question paper.

Additional material: 1 insert.

READ THESE INSTRUCTIONS FIRST

Write your name, CT group and GP tutor's name in the spaces at the top of this page.

Write in dark blue or black ink in the spaces provided on the question paper.

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

Answer **all** questions.

The insert contains the passages for comprehension.

(Note that 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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Content	/35
Language	/15
TOTAL	/50

This question paper consists of **8** printed pages and an insert.

Note: When a question asks for an answer IN YOUR OWN WORDS AS FAR AS POSSIBLE and you select the appropriate material from the passages 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 passages.

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- 4 Why does the writer use 'seeming' in the phrase 'even for seeming essentials like cars, houses, and clothes' (line 41)? **Use your own words as far as possible.**

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- 5 Explain what the writer means by 'talking about money and happiness in the same breath, it turns out, is not necessarily a surrender to crass materialism' (lines 47-48).

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From Passage 2

- 6 'If you are a single male driving around in the Ferrari with nobody next to you, it is a glaring omission' (lines 14-15).

a. Why does the writer refer to the Ferrari in line 15?

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b. What does 'glaring omission' imply here?

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- 7 'A life that was constantly happy was not a good life' (lines 30-31). Explain why this is a paradox.

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8 Using material from paragraphs 2 to 5, summarise what Matthew Herper says about why wealth does not bring a constant sense of joy, why happiness is overrated, and the relationship between money and happiness.

Wealth does not bring a constant sense of joy as.....

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From both passages

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

(a) futility (Passage 1, line 3)

(b) intriguing (Passage 1, line 8)

(c) impetus (Passage 1, line 40)

(d) quell (Passage 1, line 45)

(e) virtually (Passage 2, line 1)

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