



# JURONG JUNIOR COLLEGE

## JC 2 Preliminary Examination 2015

CANDIDATE'S NAME

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### General Certificate of Education

#### GENERAL PAPER

**8807/2**

Paper 2

27 August 2015

Candidates answer on the Question Paper.

1 hour 30 minutes

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#### READ THESE INSTRUCTIONS FIRST

Write your name, civics class and GP tutor's name on all the work you hand in.

Write in dark blue or black pen on both sides of the paper.

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

Answer **all** questions.

The Insert contains the passage for comprehension.

Note that 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.

#### EXAMINER'S USE

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This document consists of **6** printed pages.

Read the passage in the Insert and then answer **all** the questions. 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.

**1a** Why is 'a common tongue' more important than ever (line 3)? **Use your own words as far as possible.**

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**1b** Suggest what is causing languages to become 'more standardised' (lines 5 – 6).

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**2** What is the author's purpose in providing us the series of examples in lines 9 to 10?

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**3** Explain what the words 'realities' and 'seductive' imply about the pressures on minority language speakers in each case (line 12).

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**4** How does paragraph 3 illustrate the 'rapid die-off of languages' (line 15)?

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- 5 Explain the futurists' reaction to the 'rapid die-off of languages' (line 21).

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- 6 Why does the author describe the common wisdom about globalisation as 'undeniable' (line 26)? **Use your own words as far as possible.**

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- 7 Why is the word 'global' in inverted commas (line 30)?

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- 8 In paragraph 9, how does the author feel about the survival of minority languages in the future and how does he illustrate his attitude?

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- The extinction of minority languages is not a certainty as .....*

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