



**GCSE**

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**ENGLISH/ENGLISH LANGUAGE  
FOUNDATION TIER  
UNIT 2 (WRITING)**

A.M. TUESDAY, 4 June 2013

1 hour

**ADDITIONAL MATERIALS**

An 8 page answer book.

**INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES**

Use black ink or black ball-point pen.

Answer **all** questions.

Write your answers in the separate answer book provided, following the instructions on the front of the answer book.

You are advised to spend your time as follows:

Q1. about 30 minutes

Q2. about 30 minutes.

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The number of marks is given in brackets at the end of each question or part-question.

*Answer Question 1 and Question 2.*

*In this unit you will be assessed for your writing skills, including the presentation of your work.  
Take special care with handwriting, spelling and punctuation.*

***Think about the purpose, audience and, where appropriate, the format for your writing.***

*A guide to the amount you should write is given at the end of each question.*

1. The following is an extract from a letter from a pensioner to your local newspaper:

*Dear Editor,*

*It's time we raised the legal age for driving to 19. Most accidents involve drivers aged 17 or 18. They drive too fast. They show off to their friends. They play loud music and do not concentrate.*

*I didn't drive until I was 25 and it didn't do me any harm.*

**You decide to write to the newspaper giving your views on this subject.**

[20]

*The quality of your writing is more important than its length. You should write about one to two pages in your answer book.*

2. Your school/college has organised a campaign to improve the health and fitness of staff and students.

**Write a lively article for your school/college magazine with the title 'Keeping Fit and Healthy'.**

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1. The Government is planning to make all students stay in school/college until the age of 18.

**Write the speech you would give to your class on this subject.**

You might like to think about:

- why you agree or disagree with this plan;
- your experience of school/college;
- how this plan will affect your future.

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2. BBC Wales is looking for teenagers to appear on a television programme about their lives and interests. You have decided to apply to appear on the programme.

**Write a letter to BBC Wales persuading them to select you for the programme.**

You might like to include details about:

- your personality;
- interests and hobbies;
- details of any amusing, embarrassing or interesting things that have happened to you which can be used on the programme.

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