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## ENGLISH A2 – STANDARD LEVEL – PAPER 2 ANGLAIS A2 – NIVEAU MOYEN – ÉPREUVE 2 INGLÉS A2 – NIVEL MEDIO – PRUEBA 2

Monday 10 May 2010 (morning) Lundi 10 mai 2010 (matin) Lunes 10 de mayo de 2010 (mañana)

1 hour 30 minutes / 1 heure 30 minutes / 1 hora 30 minutos

# INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

- Do not open this examination paper until instructed to do so.
- Answer one question.

## INSTRUCTIONS DESTINÉES AUX CANDIDATS

- N'ouvrez pas cette épreuve avant d'y être autorisé(e).
- Traitez un sujet de composition.

### INSTRUCCIONES PARA LOS ALUMNOS

- No abra esta prueba hasta que se lo autoricen.
- Conteste a una pregunta.

Write an essay on **one** of the following. You must base your answer on the cultural options **or** literary options you have studied in class. References to other subjects or literary works are permissible but should not form the main body of your answer.

### Language and culture

- 1. With reference to your study of this option consider the idea that a language evolves to express the culture and experience of its users.
- 2. It has been said that a different language gives one a different vision of life. Discuss this idea with reference to your study of this option.

#### Media and culture

- 3. Mass media do not exist to inform or entertain. They exist to make money. Discuss.
- 4. With reference to your study of this option, consider the idea that advertising promotes discontent.

#### **Future issues**

5. Discuss the positive and negative effects that one area of technology will have in future years.

#### **Global issues**

6. It is often said that the world is getting smaller. Consider how this idea is relevant to one or two global issues studied.

### Social issues

7. Social problems are inevitably linked, so one cannot be solved without addressing the other. Discuss with reference to two social issues studied.

## Literary questions

- 8. Animals and animal imagery are a rich source of inspiration for writers. Discuss how animals are used to develop central ideas in at least two works you have studied.
- **9.** Contrast is often necessary to hold the attention of readers. How and with what effect do two or more writers you have studied use contrast?
- **10.** Consider how justice is defined in two or more works studied. How is justice important to the texts' central ideas or themes?