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ENGLISH B – HIGHER LEVEL – PAPER 2
ANGLAIS B – NIVEAU SUPÉRIEUR – ÉPREUVE 2
INGLÉS B – NIVEL SUPERIOR – PRUEBA 2

Tuesday 6 May 2014 (afternoon)
Mardi 6 mai 2014 (après-midi)
Martes 6 de mayo de 2014 (tarde)

1 h 30 m

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

- Do not open this examination paper until instructed to do so.
- Section A: choose one task. Each task is worth *[25 marks]*.
- Section B: write a personal response to the stimulus provided. The task is worth *[20 marks]*.
- The maximum mark for this examination paper is *[45 marks]*.

INSTRUCTIONS DESTINÉES AUX CANDIDATS

- N'ouvrez pas cette épreuve avant d'y être autorisé(e).
- Section A : choisissez une tâche. Chaque tâche vaut *[25 points]*.
- Section B : exprimez votre opinion personnelle sur la réflexion fournie. La tâche vaut *[20 points]*.
- Le nombre maximum de points pour cette épreuve d'examen est *[45 points]*.

INSTRUCCIONES PARA LOS ALUMNOS

- No abra esta prueba hasta que se lo autoricen.
- Sección A: elija una tarea. Cada tarea vale *[25 puntos]*.
- Sección B: escriba una opinión personal al estímulo provisto. La tarea vale *[20 puntos]*.
- La puntuación máxima para esta prueba de examen es *[45 puntos]*.

SECTION A

Complete **one** of the following tasks. Write 250 to 400 words.

1. Cultural diversity

You recently read a blog in which the writer claimed that all sectors of the population of a country should celebrate the same festivals. Write a blog entry in response stating your opinion on the matter.

2. Customs and traditions

Your school hosted a Culture Day in which students from different cultures celebrated their customs, cultural practices and/or traditions. Write a review of the event to be published in your school newspaper.

3. Health

Many teenagers in your community feel insecure about the way they look. Write an article to be published in a youth magazine in which you outline the reasons why teenagers have those insecurities and suggest solutions.

4. Leisure

A friend of yours has emailed you a link to an interview with a sports figure who argued that sports should not be played for leisure. Write an email to your friend in which you express your views on the subject.

5. Science and technology

You are participating in a class debate on the motion: “Science experiments should not involve the use of animals”. Write the text of your opening speech **either** agreeing **or** disagreeing with this motion.

SECTION B

Based on the following stimulus, give a personal response and justify it. Choose any text type that you have studied in class. Write 150 to 250 words.

6. “The news isn’t there to tell you what happened. It’s there to tell you what it wants you to hear or what it thinks you want to hear.”

Source: Joss Whedon, *Astonishing X-Men, Vol. 2: Dangerous* (2007)
