



Time allowed: 60 minutes · Total marks: 30 (choose ONE task, marked out of 30)

- Choose ONE of the four tasks. Do not attempt more than one.
- Spend up to 10 minutes planning on spare paper before you write.
- Write on lined paper. Aim for one and a half to two sides.
- Save 5 minutes at the end to check spelling, punctuation and sentences.
- This mirrors the second stage tests used by selective schools, where one long piece of writing is marked for ideas, organisation, vocabulary, sentence control and accuracy.

Choose one task

Whichever task you choose, plan first: note your opening, two or three main ideas and your ending before writing.

- 1 Task A: Story.** Write a story that ends with this sentence: *I never found out who had left it there, but I kept it all the same.* 30 marks
- 2 Task B: Description.** Describe a beach in winter, long after the holiday crowds have gone. 30 marks
- 3 Task C: Speech.** Your class is choosing one new club for the school. Write a speech persuading everyone to choose the club you would start, and explain what makes it worth their vote. 30 marks
- 4 Task D: Diary.** Write a diary entry about a day when everything seemed to go wrong, until one small thing unexpectedly went right. 30 marks

End of paper. Well done!