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Pearson Edexcel International GCSE

Time 1 hour 30 minutes

Paper reference **4EA1/02**

English Language A

PAPER 2: Poetry and Prose Texts and Imaginative Writing

You do not need any other materials.

Total Marks

Instructions

- Use **black** ink or ball-point pen.
- **Fill in the boxes** at the top of this page with your name, centre number and candidate number.
- Answer **ONE** question from each section.
- Answer the questions in the spaces provided – *there may be more space than you need.*

Information

- The total mark for this paper is 60.
- The marks for **each** question are shown in brackets – *use this as a guide as to how much time to spend on each question.*
- Quality of written communication, including vocabulary, spelling, punctuation and grammar, will be taken into account in your response to Section B.
- Copies of the *Pearson Edexcel International GCSE English Anthology* may **not** be brought into the examination.
- Dictionaries may **not** be used in this examination.

Advice

- Read each question carefully before you start to answer it.
- Check your answers if you have time at the end.
- You are reminded of the importance of clear English and careful presentation in your answers.

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SECTION A

Reading

Answer the question in this section.

You should spend about 45 minutes on this section.

Begin your answer on page 3.

Remind yourself of *An Unknown Girl*, taken from the *Pearson Edexcel International GCSE English Anthology*.

An Unknown Girl

In the evening bazaar
 studded with neon
 an unknown girl
 is hennaing¹ my hand.
 She squeezes a wet brown line
 from a nozzle.
 She is icing my hand,
 which she steadies with hers
 on her satin-peach knee.
 In the evening bazaar
 for a few rupees
 an unknown girl
 is hennaing my hand.
 As a little air catches
 my shadow-stitched kameez²
 a peacock spreads its lines
 across my palm.
 Colours leave the street
 float up in balloons.
 Dummies in shop-fronts
 tilt and stare
 with their Western perms.
 Banners for Miss India 1993,
 for curtain cloth
 and sofa cloth
 canopy me.
 I have new brown veins.
 In the evening bazaar
 very deftly
 an unknown girl
 is hennaing my hand.
 I am clinging
 to these firm peacock lines
 like people who cling
 to the sides of a train.
 Now the furious streets
 are hushed.
 I'll scrape off

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the dry brown lines
 before I sleep,
 reveal soft as a snail trail
 the amber bird beneath.
 It will fade in a week.
 When India appears and reappears
 I'll lean across a country
 with my hands outstretched
 longing for the unknown girl
 in the neon bazaar.

Moniza Alvi

¹ *hennaing*: the art of body decoration using a plant dye
² *kameez*: loose fitting tunic

1 How does the writer try to present strong feelings in *An Unknown Girl*?

In your answer, you should write about:

- how the writer feels about the experience with the girl
- how the writer feels about the culture of India
- the use of language and structure.

You should support your answer with close reference to the poem, including **brief** quotations.

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(Total for Question 1 = 30 marks)

TOTAL FOR SECTION A = 30 MARKS



SECTION B**Imaginative Writing****Answer ONE question from this section.****You should spend about 45 minutes on your chosen question.****Begin your answer on page 12.****EITHER**

- 2** Write about a time when you, or someone you know, made something.

Your response could be real or imagined.

Your response will be marked for the accurate and appropriate use of vocabulary, spelling, punctuation and grammar.

(Total for Question 2 = 30 marks)

OR

- 3** Write a story with the title 'My Greatest Memory'.

Your response could be real or imagined.

Your response will be marked for the accurate and appropriate use of vocabulary, spelling, punctuation and grammar.

(Total for Question 3 = 30 marks)

OR

- 4** Look at the images provided.

Write a story that begins 'The festival was crowded that night'.

Your response could be real or imagined. You may wish to base your response on one of the images.

Your response will be marked for the accurate and appropriate use of vocabulary, spelling, punctuation and grammar.

(Total for Question 4 = 30 marks)

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You may choose ONE image to prompt your response to Question 4.



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Indicate which question you are answering by marking a cross in the box ☒. If you change your mind, put a line through the box ☒ and then indicate your new question with a cross ☒.

Chosen question number: Question 2 ☒ Question 3 ☒ Question 4 ☒

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TOTAL FOR SECTION B = 30 MARKS
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