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**\*\*\*Past Paper 7\*\*\***

Time: 75 minutes

Paper Reference **PENR2/S07**

**English**

**Component 2: Reading  
Level 2**

**You MUST use the Text Booklet provided.  
You may use a dictionary.**

Total Marks

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### 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.
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- Answer the questions in the spaces provided  
– *there may be more space than you need.*

### Information

- The total mark for this paper is **35**.
- There are a total of 15 questions:
  - Questions 1 to 4 are based on Text A
  - Questions 5 to 8 are based on Text B
  - Questions 9 to 11 are based on Text C
  - Questions 12 to 15 are based on more than one text.
- The marks for **each** question are shown in brackets
- This paper assesses your reading skills, not your writing skills.
- You do not need to write in sentences.

### Advice

- Read each question carefully before you start to answer it.
- Check your answers if you have time at the end.

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Answer ALL questions. Write your answers in the spaces provided.

SECTION A

Read Text A and answer Questions 1 to 4.

- 1 Your friend wants to know how young people use social media for school or college work.

Using Text A, identify **two** ways young people use social media for school or college work.

1 ..... (1)

2 ..... (1)

(Total for Question 1 = 2 marks)

Answer Question 2 with a cross in a box ☒. If you change your mind about an answer, put a line through the box ☒ and then mark your new answer with a cross ☒.

- 2 Which word best describes the style of Text A?

- ☐ A angry  
☐ B serious  
☐ C positive  
☐ D sarcastic

(Total for Question 2 = 1 mark)

Answer Question 3 with a cross in two boxes ☒. If you change your mind about an answer, put a line through the box ☒ and then mark your new answer with a cross ☒.

3 Which **two** of these quotations from Text A are examples of informal language?

- ☐ A 'The bottom line'
- ☐ B 'negative impact'
- ☐ C 'can cause problems'
- ☐ D 'to keep up to speed'
- ☐ E 'The evidence suggests'

(Total for Question 3 = 2 marks)

4 You have been asked to add subheadings to each paragraph in Text A.  
Number each subheading from 1 to 5 to show which best matches each paragraph.  
Two have been done for you.

| Subheading                      | Paragraph number |
|---------------------------------|------------------|
| Possible negative impact        | 2                |
| Effect on well-being            |                  |
| Reclaiming the time             |                  |
| A way of connecting             | 1                |
| Responsibility for social media |                  |

(Total for Question 4 = 2 marks)

TOTAL FOR SECTION A = 7 MARKS

## SECTION B

Read Text B and answer Questions 5 to 8.

5 What does each of these quotations from Text B suggest about social media?

'constantly side-tracked' ..... (1)

'idealised view' ..... (1)

(Total for Question 5 = 2 marks)

Answer Question 6 with a cross in a box ☐. If you change your mind about an answer, put a line through the box ☒ and then mark your new answer with a cross ☐.

6 Text B includes both facts and opinions.

Which **one** of these statements is an opinion?

- ☐ A The colour can be switched off on a phone.
- ☐ B Using social media is mostly a waste of time.
- ☐ C Images on Instagram can be edited for effect.
- ☐ D Social media lets people connect to each other.

(Total for Question 6 = 1 mark)

7 (a) Using Text B, give **one** thing you should include if you email Alisha.

..... (1)

(b) Which organisational feature is used to present this information?

..... (1)

(Total for Question 7 = 2 marks)

8 (a) Using Text B, identify **two** problems with the way Antony uses his phone.

1 ..... (1)

2 ..... (1)

(b) Using Text B, identify **two** solutions Alisha gives for Antony's problems.

1 ..... (1)

2 ..... (1)

(Total for Question 8 = 4 marks)

**TOTAL FOR SECTION B = 9 MARKS**

## SECTION C

Read Text C and answer Questions 9 to 11.

- 9 Using Text C, give **two** quotations that suggest other people's use of phones can be annoying.

1 ..... (1)

2 ..... (1)

(Total for Question 9 = 2 marks)

- 10 Using Text C, identify **two** language features used to give people's opinions of social media.

Give an example to support each answer.

Language feature ..... (1)

Example ..... (1)

Language feature ..... (1)

Example ..... (1)

(Total for Question 10 = 4 marks)

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Answer Question 11 with a cross in a box ☒. If you change your mind about an answer, put a line through the box ☒ and then mark your new answer with a cross ☒.

11 Which **one** of these quotations from Text C conveys a positive view about social media?

- ☐ A 'It's a straightforward way to keep updated'
- ☐ B 'an interesting article about young people'
- ☐ C 'once you start you feel obliged to keep it up'
- ☐ D 'I'm really careful about my privacy settings'

(Total for Question 11 = 1 mark)

**TOTAL FOR SECTION C = 7 MARKS**

## SECTION D

Questions 12 to 15 are based on more than one text.

12 You may use a dictionary to answer this question.

(a) 'spiteful online comments'

Give **one** word or phrase to replace 'spiteful' that keeps the meaning of this quotation from Text A the same.

(1)

(b) 'preoccupied with their phones'

Give **one** word or phrase to replace 'preoccupied' that keeps the meaning of this quotation from Text C the same.

(1)

(Total for Question 12 = 2 marks)

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Answer Question 14 with a cross in a box ☒. If you change your mind about an answer, put a line through the box ☒ and then mark your new answer with a cross ☒.

14 Which **one** of these statements about the language used in Text A and Text B is correct?

- ☐ A Both use statistics for authenticity.
- ☐ B Both use direct address to give advice.
- ☐ C Both use quotations for examples.
- ☐ D Both use questions to engage attention.

(Total for Question 14 = 1 mark)

15 Your friend is interested in social media and relationships.

Identify **one** piece of evidence from **each** of the three texts that shows social media can have a positive effect on relationships.

Text A .....

Text B .....

Text C .....

(Total for Question 15 = 3 marks)

**TOTAL FOR SECTION D = 12 MARKS**  
**TOTAL FOR PAPER = 35 MARKS**

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