



**JURONG SECONDARY SCHOOL
2023 GRADUATION EXAMINATION
SECONDARY 4 EXPRESS / 5 NORMAL
(ACADEMIC)**

CANDIDATE NAME	
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CLASS	
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INDEX NUMBER	
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ENGLISH LANGUAGE

**1128/01
1184/01**

PAPER 1 WRITING

15 August 2023

Additional Materials: Writing papers
Insert

1 hour 50 minutes

READ THESE INSTRUCTIONS FIRST

Write your name, index number and class on all the work you hand in.
Write in dark blue or black ink on both sides of the paper.
Do not use staples, paper clips, highlighters, glue or correction fluid.

Answer **Section A**, **Section B** and one question from **Section C**.

Section A is an Insert.

For **Section A** write your answers in the spaces provided on the Insert.

For **Section B** and **Section C** write your answers on the separate Answer Paper provided.

The number of marks is given in brackets [] at the head of each section.

For Examiner's Use	
SECTION A [10 marks]	
SECTION B [30 marks]	
SECTION C [30 marks]	
TOTAL [70 marks]	

This document consists of 4 printed pages including this page.

[Turn over

Section B [30 marks]

You are advised to write between 250 and 350 words for this section.

Question 2

You should look at the printout of a webpage on Page 3, study the information carefully and plan your answer before you begin to write.

Your Form Teacher is planning a graduation party for your class during the next long school vacation. She has shortlisted three venues from a website and has asked which one would be best for the event. As the Class Monitor, you write an email to your teacher stating your first choice and giving reasons.

Write an email to your teacher saying:

- which venue the class would prefer **and** why
- how you think the venue will make the event memorable
- what factors school leaders will consider in approving the venue for the party

You may add any other details you think will be helpful.

Write your email in clear, accurate English and in an enthusiastic, respectful tone to explain your choice to your teacher.

You should use your own words as much as possible.



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Burkhill Hall

Burkhill Hall is a meticulously restored black-and-white colonial house set amidst the lush greenery of the Singapore Botanic Gardens.

- Free entry to the photogenic National Orchid Gardens
- Shuttle service from Botanic Gardens MRT Station provided
- Food from external caterers allowed

\$450/hr for a maximum of 4 hours. Slots are available from 10am to 6pm daily except Mondays.

HERE @ Orchard

HERE @ Orchard is a one-stop fun and games facility that comes equipped with pool tables, game consoles and board games.

- Free access to rooftop lounge at level 22
- Complimentary snack pack worth \$3/pax for up to 50 people
- In-house catering available (halal/ vegetarian options available)

\$350/hr for a minimum of 2 hours. Slots are available from 12pm to 12am daily except Wednesdays.



HomeTeamNS @ Khatib

HomeTeamNS @ Khatib offers the perfect gathering venue for adrenaline junkies. All function rooms are located within the indoor adventure park.

- Complimentary entry to the indoor adventure park
- Entertainment systems and furniture available for rent separately
- In-house food packages start at \$6/pax (min. 40 people)

\$250/hr for a maximum of 6 hours. Slots are available from 10am to 10pm daily.

Section C [30 marks]

Begin your answer on a fresh page.

You are advised to write between 350 and 500 words on one of the following topics.

At the head of your composition, write the number of the topic you have chosen.

Questions 3 – 6

- 3** Describe the three qualities that are least desirable to you in a friend.
- 4** 'I realised that what is good for me might not be for others.' Write about a time when you experienced this.
- 5** 'The simplest things in life are what make us the happiest.' Discuss.
- 6** 'It is more important to make everyone else happy than to chase your own dreams.' How far do you agree?

End of Paper

MARKING GUIDANCE

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Format

email (✓ recipient's email address, ✓ subject, ✓ salutation, ✓ sign off without signature)

note: only penalise if recipient's email address is missing; as long as the overall essay looks like an email, it is OK

Structure/ Organisation

- separate/ dedicated paragraphs for **introduction** and **conclusion**:
 - o introduction: self-introduction, **situation**, **purpose**
 - o conclusion: brief **summary** (at least reiterate choice), **closing remarks**, **thank** reader
- separate/ dedicated **content paragraphs** for each criterion (i.e. students should not combine points):
 - o criterion **key word(s) OR idea must be stated explicitly** in paragraphs
 - o each paragraph should have **a clear PEEL structure**
 - o relevant **information from stimulus** should be used where necessary – minimally, students should use relevant information from choice venue (up to Band 5/9); Band 5/10 reserved for those who use other relevant information to justify non-choice

Language

- appropriate **words/phrases to reflect enthusiasm and respect**, i.e. X informal expressions/ slang
- **tense should be consistent** with task, i.e. present tenses for proposal, except modal verbs (e.g. could, would etc.), recollection
- **spelling should be consistent** throughout (BrE); do not penalise if AmE is used, but indicate (double underline)

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