THE NORTH LONDON INDEPENDENT GIRLS' SCHOOLS' CONSORTIUM

YEAR 7

ENTRANCE EXAMINATION

SAMPLE PAPER

Time allowed: 1 hour 20 minutes

INSTRUCTIONS

PLEASE ANSWER BOTH PARTS OF THE PAPER

Part A: Reading (40 minutes)

- Spend 10 minutes reading the passage on the insert and the questions in this booklet.
- You may mark the passage by underlining words and phrases.
- Do not write anything in your booklet during this time.
- You will be told when the 10 minutes are over.

Spend 30 minutes writing your answers in this answer booklet.

You will be told when 40 minutes are up, but you may start Part B when you are ready.

Part B: Writing (40 minutes)

- Spend 40 minutes writing in the space provided.
- If you have time, you may go back to Part A.

YOU MAY WRITE IN EITHER INK OR PENCIL

You will be told when you have 5 minutes left.

PLEASE TURN THE PAGE
TO READ THE QUESTIONS

PART A: READING (40 minutes)

After you have spent about 10 minutes reading the passage, spend about 30 minutes answering the questions.

The mark at the end of each question is an indication of how much you should write for each answer.

1. Using lines 1-6, write down three facts about Mr Frensham's shop.

3 Marks

2. Choose three details from lines 7-11 which you find interesting about Mr Frensham and for each briefly explain why.

6 Marks

3. Look at lines 27-35. Do you think the boy enjoyed having his hair cut? Write down three pieces of evidence to support your view.

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4 Marks

4. 'Very handsome' (line 45) has two possible meanings here. What are they?

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2 Marks

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5. 'The boy wanted the cap very much' (lines 52-53). Write down five other pieces of evidence that he values the cap.

5 Marks

6. 'The boy gets on very well with his father.' Using details from the passage, explain <u>in your own words</u> how you know this.

5 Marks

7. What do you understand by the metaphor, 'The child saw his face, a moon in the mirror'? (line 46)

2 Marks

8. Why does the father look at his son 'without smiling'? (line 82)

2 Marks

9. The story does not seem to be set in the modern day. Find three details which suggest it takes place some time in the past and describe what might be different today.

6 Marks

Total for Reading Section: 35 marks

PART B: WRITING (40 minutes)

Spend 20 minutes on Question 1 and 20 minutes on Question 2.

1. Do you think the father would have reacted in the same way to his daughter if she had come home with a new dress?

Imagine the scene as if it is a girl who has been out shopping. Retell the end of this passage from line 71.

20 Marks

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2. Do you think eleven year old boys and girls should be treated in the same way by their schools and families?

Give your personal opinion with examples from your own experience. Remember to use paragraphs and to write accurately.

20 Marks

Content and Style

40 Marks

Technical Accuracy

10 Marks

Total for Writing Section: 50 marks