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COMMON ENTRANCE EXAMINATION AT 11+

ENGLISH

PAPER 2

Tuesday 20 January 2009

Please read this information before the examination starts.

- You have 5 minutes' reading and planning time.
- After that you may start writing when you are ready to do so. You have 40 minutes for writing.
- Use your best handwriting and take care with spelling and punctuation.

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Write an essay using ONE of the following titles. Each one is worth 25 marks.

1. Write about a memorable event, either from your own life or from the life of someone you have heard about, true or fictional. Give your work the title: I Can Remember.

2. Choosing something, or choosing to do something, can be a real treat; on the other hand, it can be worrying; it can even be disastrous. Write an account or a story with the title: The Choice.

3. It seems to be taken for granted that parents behave embarrassingly. Is this true for you?

4. Choose one of the following titles to write about:

   - The Garden
   - Sleeping
   - Twins

5. What books do you most enjoy – factual ones, sporting, magic, adventure? Write about one book, or a series, explaining the ways in which it is a good read. Please use the book's title and author as your heading.

6. Write about the picture opposite in any way you choose.



(Total marks: 35, including a mark out of 10 for spelling/syntax/punctuation)


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