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# English ab initio – Standard level – Paper 1

## Anglais ab initio – Niveau moyen – Épreuve 1

## Inglés ab initio – Nivel Medio – Prueba 1

6 November 2023 / 6 novembre 2023 / 6 de noviembre de 2023

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### Instructions to candidates

- Do not open this examination paper until instructed to do so.
- Section A: complete one task. Each task is worth **[15 marks]**.
- Section B: complete one task. Each task is worth **[15 marks]**.
- The maximum mark for this examination paper is **[30 marks]**.

### Instructions destinées aux candidats

- N'ouvrez pas cette épreuve avant d'y être autorisé(e).
- Section A : réalisez une tâche. Chaque tâche vaut **[15 points]**.
- Section B : réalisez une tâche. Chaque tâche vaut **[15 points]**.
- Le nombre maximum de points pour cette épreuve d'examen est de **[30 points]**.

### Instrucciones para los alumnos

- No abra esta prueba hasta que se lo autoricen.
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- Sección B: realice una de las tareas. Cada tarea vale **[15 puntos]**.
- La puntuación máxima para esta prueba de examen es **[30 puntos]**.

## Section A

Complete **one** task. Use an appropriate text type from the options below the task you choose. Write 70 to 150 words.

1. Your cousin lives in another country. He or she would like to come and study in your school next year. Write a text for your cousin to describe a typical school day and explain why you like or don't like your school.

|       |        |        |
|-------|--------|--------|
| Email | Letter | Speech |
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2. People are eating more and more sugar these days, often without knowing it. You want to let your school friends know about this problem. Write a text to describe the dangers of eating too much sugar and how they can avoid eating too much sugar.

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| Email | Note | Social media posting |
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3. You recently took part in a cultural festival from an English-speaking country. It was very interesting and you want to tell your English ab initio classmates about it. Write a text to describe what happened at the festival and why you thought it was interesting.

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| Blog | Diary | Speech |
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## Section B

Complete **one** task. Use an appropriate text type from the options below the task you choose. Write 70 to 150 words.

4. You went to a restaurant near your home yesterday, but you had a bad experience. You want to let the restaurant manager know. Write a text to explain what happened, how this affected your experience, and what you would like the manager to do about it.

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| Blog | Email | Social media posting |
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5. Your city has improved its public transport and you enjoy your journeys more. You want to recommend this way of travelling to members of the public. Write a text to explain what public transport you use, what the improvements are, and why people should use it.

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| Article | Pamphlet | Set of instructions |
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6. River pollution in your area is getting worse each year. You are very worried, and you want the local government to do something about it. Write a text to describe the problem, explain what the local government can do to help, and why it is important to do something now.

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| Blog | Letter | Review |
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