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*****Past Paper 4*****

Time: 75 minutes

Paper Reference **PENR2/S04**

English

**Component 2: Reading
Level 2**

**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
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Information

- The total mark for this paper is **35** marks.
- There is 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 what people have been renting for many years.

Using Text A, identify **two** things people have been renting for many years.

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 humorous
☐ B impartial
☐ C irritated
☐ D enthusiastic

(Total for Question 2 = 1 mark)

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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 'been popular to rent'
- ☐ B 'used as a one-off'
- ☐ C 'a very sensible option'
- ☐ D 'just making dosh'
- ☐ E 'costs that are much lower'

(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
Benefits of renting	
Traditional renting	
The Library of Things	4
Renting websites	
The growth of renting	2

(Total for Question 4 = 2 marks)

TOTAL FOR SECTION A = 7 MARKS



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SECTION B

Read Text B and answer Questions 5 to 8.

- 5 What does each of these quotations from Text B suggest about the writer's attitude to young people?

'fashion conscious' (1)

'environmentally friendly lifestyle' (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 Owning films and music is unnecessary.
☐ B The sharing economy is growing quickly.
☐ C Owners can make money from renting.
☐ D Items can be rented using websites.

(Total for Question 6 = 1 mark)

- 7 (a) According to the writer of Text B, what percentage of younger people prefer experiences to things?

..... (1)

- (b) Which organisational feature in Text B shows this?

..... (1)

(Total for Question 7 = 2 marks)

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8 (a) Using Text B, identify **two** reasons why people like to rent clothes and accessories.

1 (1)

2 (1)

(b) Using Text B, identify **two** benefits of the sharing economy to dog owners.

1 (1)

2 (1)

(Total for Question 8 = 4 marks)

TOTAL FOR SECTION B = 9 MARKS



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SECTION C

Read Text C and answer Questions 9 to 11.

9 Using Text C, give **two** quotations that suggest sports equipment can be hard to afford.

1 (1)

2 (1)

(Total for Question 9 = 2 marks)

10 Using Text C, identify **two** language features used to advise the reader on renting.

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 shows that the writer has a positive view of renting toys?

- ☐ A 'paying a small fee'
- ☐ B 'easy to access online services'
- ☐ C 'to try new pursuits'
- ☐ D 'exciting new playthings'

(Total for Question 11 = 1 mark)

TOTAL FOR SECTION C = 7 MARKS



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SECTION D

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

12 You may use a dictionary to answer this question.

(a) 'precious space for permanent storage'

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

..... (1)

(b) 'can prove prohibitive'

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

..... (1)

(Total for Question 12 = 2 marks)

13 Compare similar ideas from Text A **and** Text C about the advantages of renting.

In your answer you should:

- give **two** similarities from these texts about the advantages of renting
- give **one** quotation from Text A and **one** quotation from Text C to support **each** similarity.

(2)

(4)

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(Total for Question 13 = 6 marks)



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 questions to help you decide.
- ☐ B Both use first person to offer opinions.
- ☐ C Both use rule of three to convey detail.
- ☐ D Both use numbers to provide evidence.

(Total for Question 14 = 1 mark)

15 You are doing a project on renting.

Identify **one** piece of evidence from **each** of the three texts which shows that renting is popular with young people.

Text A

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Text B

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Text C

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(Total for Question 15 = 3 marks)

TOTAL FOR SECTION D = 12 MARKS

TOTAL FOR PAPER = 35 MARKS



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