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FIRST LANGUAGE ENGLISH

0500/21

Paper 2 Reading Passages (Extended)

October/November 2012

2 hours

Candidates answer on the Question Paper

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(a) the scenery in paragraph 4, beginning ‘What wonderful views...’;

(b) the challenges of the walk in paragraph 6, beginning ‘The journey ahead...’.

Write between 1 and 1½ sides, allowing for the size of your handwriting.

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3 Summarise:

- (a) what makes the eastern Himalayas special, **and** why measures are needed to protect them, as described in **Passage B**;
- (b) what made the trek difficult and uncomfortable, as described in **Passage A**.

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