



Raffles Institution
2025 Year 6 Preliminary Examination
General Certificate of Education Advanced Level
Higher 1

Candidate's Name

CT Group

GP Tutor's Name

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GENERAL PAPER

8881/02

Paper 2

3 September 2025

1 hour 30 minutes

Candidates answer on the Question Paper.

READ THESE INSTRUCTIONS FIRST

Write your name, CT group and GP tutor's name in the spaces at the top of this page.

Write in dark blue or black pen.

Do not use paper clips, glue, correction fluid or correction tape.

Answer **all** questions.

The Insert contains the passage for comprehension.

Note that up to **15** marks out of **50** will be awarded for your use of language.

The number of marks is given in brackets [] at the end of each question or part question.

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Content	/35
Language	/15
TOTAL	/50

Your answers should be:

- written **in your own words as far as possible**. Where you select the appropriate material from the passage for your answer, you must still use your own words to express it.
- written in **continuous prose**.

From passage 1

- 1 Why does the author present the view of quitting as 'sinful' (line 1)?

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 [1]

- 2 What does the use of the word 'relic' (line 5) suggest about the view that perseverance is a virtue?

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- 3 In paragraph 2, explain how the author supports his assertion about perseverance being put 'on a pedestal' (line 8).

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- 4 According to the author in paragraph 3, why are quitters 'finally coming out of the closet' (lines 24-25)?

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5 In paragraph 5, how does the use of language convey society's disapproval of quitting?

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6 In paragraph 6, what contrasts are there between the 'persistent view' (line 41) and the author's own views of quitting?

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7 Explain how the final sentence in paragraph 6 (lines 46-48) serves as an effective conclusion to the author's argument.

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8 Summarise the reasons for not giving up.

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Number of words: _____

From all the passages

- 9 Passage 1 states that 'Quitting is presented as an extremity' (lines 38-39).

Identify **one** specific idea from Passage 3 which can be used to support this statement.
Justify your answer.

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- 10 Passage 2 states that 'giving up guarantees failure' (line 7).

Identify **one** specific idea from Passage 3 which can be used to undermine this statement.
Justify your answer.

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How far do you agree with their views?

- the ideas and opinions from **at least** one of the reading passages
- examples drawn from your own experience and that of your society.

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