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ENGLISH LANGUAGE
PAPER 1 PART B2
QUESTION-ANSWER BOOK**

B2
DIFFICULT SECTION

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Read Text 4 and answer questions 55-80. (42 marks)

55. Why does the writer think 'it seems odd to have to put this in writing'? (2 marks)

56. What does 'it' (line 3) refer to? _____

57. According to paragraphs 2-3, the writer thinks...

- A. Kim-Jong-Un is an irrational actor.
- B. we should nuke North Korea now.
- C. nuclear deterrence works quite well
- D. North Korea is a much stronger country now

A B C D

58. What does 'nuke' (line 6) mean?

59. Why does the writer mention 100,000 American civilians in paragraph 4? (2 marks)

60. North Korea can be a threat to the US because...

- A. North Korea always deploys toxins on an array of artillery shells and missiles
- B. North Korea possesses the most powerful weapons in the world.
- C. American reinforcements are late.
- D. its military power is strong.

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61. According to paragraph 5, what may cause significant delays in the arrival of American reinforcements to the Korean peninsula?

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62. What does the grim reality (line 23) refer to?

63. What does the writer mean by saying 'it's a matter of time' in paragraph 6? (2 marks)

64. According to paragraph 6,

- A. Pyongyang hasn't perfected the intercontinental ballistic missiles.
 - B. North Korea's nuclear weapons are threatening.
 - C. North Korea's capability is a moot point.
 - D. North Korea will accurately target the America mainland.
- A B C D

65. Why does the writer think 'the US can preemptively strike Pyongyang and decapitate its ability to retaliate' is a fantasy in paragraph 7? (2 marks)

66. Find a word or phrase in paragraph 12 that could be replaced by 'chaos'?

67. What is the irony in paragraph 12? (2 marks)

68. What does 'that' (line 49) refer to?

69. What is the major cause of the Mexican stand-off mentioned in paragraph 13? (2 marks)

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70. i) What and who does the writer think will be responsible for the failure of the deterrence in paragraph 13?

ii) Why?

71. Why does the writer think humanity is lucky in paragraph 14?

72. According to paragraph 15, what is the rationale behind the current way to deal with the threat of North Korea?

73. What two things does the writer suggest will bring peace in the district? (2 marks)

i)

ii)

74. What does 'keep the US at bay' (line 61) mean?

- A. keep the U.S. navy at the sea
- B. attack the U.S. with nuclear bombs
- C. launch a moratorium on ballistic missile testing
- D. keep the U.S. at a distance from North Korea

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75. What does 'the alternative' (line 62) refer to?

76. What does it mean when Steve Bannon says 'they got us' (line 65) ?

77. What does the writer think of Steve Bannon?

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78. Who from the passage is most likely to say each quote below? Write the letter (A-E) on the line next to the person's name. Do not use any name more than once. (5 marks)

i) Kevin James _____	A. "The best policy towards North Korea is definitely not a military one."
ii) Siegfried Hecker _____	B. "We should take military action as soon as possible to stop North Korea's nuclear program."
iii) General Colin Powell _____	C. "Trying to destroy North Korea's weapons is a pipe dream//a waste of time//a mission impossible."
iv) Will Saetren _____	D. "If necessary, we will destroy North Korea at all costs."
v) Steve Bannon _____	E. "Kim-Jong-Un is not as crazy as some may think."

79. Based on the information in paragraph 15, complete the summary by writing ONE word to fill in each blank. You should make sure that your answers are grammatically correct, paying attention to word forms, plurals, etc. (5 marks)

Deterrence with North Korea is a (i) _____ option than any other choice. (ii) _____ its imperfection, deterrence can serve as a tool to help (iii) _____ a diplomatic solution to the crisis. (iv) _____ realistic goals is also necessary. They include stopping North Korea's nuclear programme and making Pyongyang agree to put an (v) _____ to nuclear weapons testing.

80. Which of the following is a suitable title for the passage?

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| A. An inevitable war | A | B | C | D |
| B. Kim, the greatest leader | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| C. Dead-end option | | | | |
| D. Military race between Asia and the US | | | | |

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