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**English**

**Level 2**

**Component 3: Writing**

06–10 February 2012

**Time: 45 minutes**

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**E203/01**

**You may use a dictionary.**

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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.
- Sign the declaration.
- Answer **both** tasks.
- Answer the tasks in the spaces provided – *there may be more space than you need.*
- Dictionaries may be used.

### Information

- The total mark for this paper is 25.
- The marks for **each** task are shown in brackets – *use this as a guide as to how much time to spend on each task.*
- You will be assessed on spelling, punctuation and grammar in both tasks.

### Advice

- Read each task carefully before you start to answer it.
- Keep an eye on the time.
- Try to complete both tasks.
- Check your answers if you have time at the end.

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There are **two** tasks which assess your writing skills.

Remember that spelling, punctuation and grammar will be assessed in **both** tasks.

### Task 1

#### Information

Your school/college/workplace is running a series of articles on the people we admire.



#### Writing Task

Write an article about a person you admire for your school/college/workplace magazine. You can choose someone you know personally or a public figure.

In your article you should give detailed reasons why you admire this person.

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**Begin your article on the next page.**



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**(Total for Task 1 = 15 marks)**



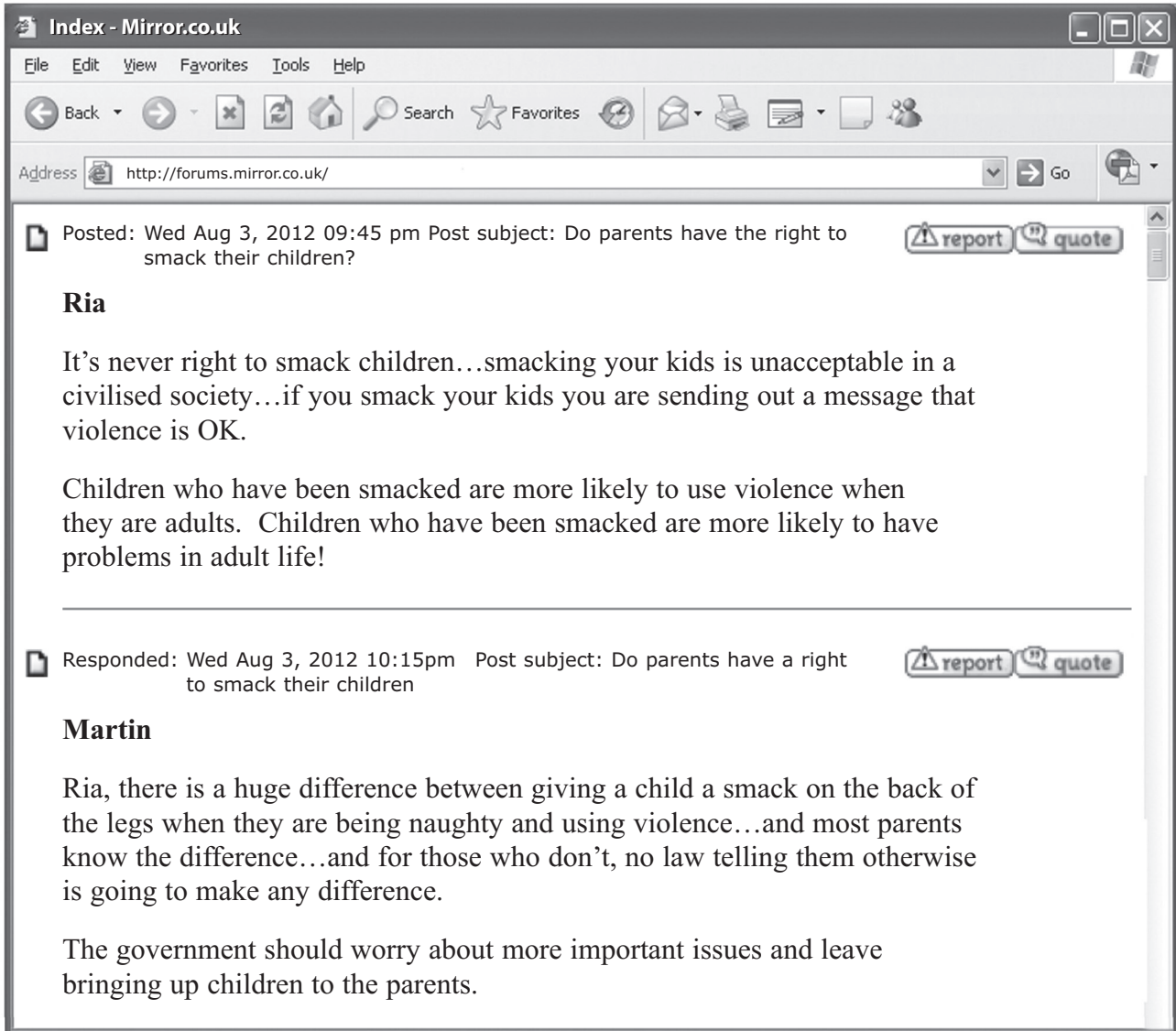
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## Task 2

### Information

Read the following contributions to an internet discussion on whether parents have a right to smack their children.



The screenshot shows a web browser window titled "Index - Mirror.co.uk". The address bar contains "http://forums.mirror.co.uk/". The main content area displays a forum post with the following details:

- Posted: Wed Aug 3, 2012 09:45 pm
- Post subject: Do parents have the right to smack their children?

The post is by user **Ria**. The text of the post reads:

It's never right to smack children...smacking your kids is unacceptable in a civilised society...if you smack your kids you are sending out a message that violence is OK.

Children who have been smacked are more likely to use violence when they are adults. Children who have been smacked are more likely to have problems in adult life!

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Below the post, there is a response:

- Responded: Wed Aug 3, 2012 10:15pm
- Post subject: Do parents have a right to smack their children

The response is by user **Martin**. The text of the response reads:

Ria, there is a huge difference between giving a child a smack on the back of the legs when they are being naughty and using violence...and most parents know the difference...and for those who don't, no law telling them otherwise is going to make any difference.

The government should worry about more important issues and leave bringing up children to the parents.

### Writing Task

Write your own message to this internet discussion giving your **detailed** views on whether parents have a right to smack their children.

Use complete sentences and write in standard English.

(10)

**Begin your answer on the next page.**



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(Total for Task 2 = 10 marks)

**TOTAL FOR PAPER = 25 MARKS**

