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SOUTH CENTRAL ENGLAND BLUE BADGE TOURIST GUIDE EXAMINATIONS

Thursday, 11th December 2025 at 14:00

PAPER 3 Hampshire and Isle of Wight

Time allowed: TWO HOURS (120 MINUTES)

This paper is in TWO sections:

SECTION A Comprises 100 questions. Answer **ALL** of them.
(Recommended time 60 minutes)
This section is worth 50%

SECTION B In note form or as bullet points answer **TWO** questions from a choice of four.
Recommended time 60 minutes for both questions
This section is worth 50%

Notes

1. Please write your candidate number at the top of this page and at the top right-hand corner of every page. The Invigilator has your number.
2. **SECTION A**: The answers should be written in the boxes provided next to the questions.
3. **SECTION B**:
 - The answers should be written on **both sides** the lined pages at the end of the examination booklet.
 - In **Section B**, please start each question **on a new page**.
4. All names should include first name and family name, unless otherwise specified.
5. Please write legibly in pen.
6. Please deposit your completed paper as instructed by the Invigilator.

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SECTION A (50 marks)**HAMPSHIRE**

1	During which season of the year are New Forest pigs released under the right of pannage?	
2	What type of WW2 aircraft was built at the Supermarine factory at Wootton?	
3	Which town in Hampshire has been famous for both fly fishing and horse racing?	
4	Which celebrity gardener, based for many years in Hampshire, was honoured with a CBE in April 2025?	
5	How many cruise terminals are there at Southampton?	
6	Where in Portsmouth was Henry VIII when he witnessed the sinking of the <i>Mary Rose</i> ?	
7	Which of the Solent towns is known for its salterns?	
8	Where in the New Forest is Sir Arthur Conan Doyle buried?	

9	What type of ship is on display outside the D-Day museum?	
10	Which river flows through Winchester?	
11	Name the novel about the English Civil War in the New Forest written by Charles Marryat.	
12	What is a down?	
13	Name the architect who designed The King's House in Winchester.	
14	Which Hampshire seaside town has a pier with a railway?	
15	Where in the New Forest are ponies sent for auction?	
16	In which town were the bricks for the Royal Albert Hall made?	
17	Name the Olympic sailor who aspires to win the America's Cup for Great Britain.	
18	What other name is Southampton Airport known by?	

19	Who wrote <i>The Natural History of Selborne</i> ?	
20	Which stately home is the country home of the Dukes of Wellington?	
21	Name ONE of the Palmerston forts built offshore, in Solent water.	
22	Name TWO of the Regiments or Corps that has a museum in Winchester.	a) b)
23	Which sport is Hambledon particularly associated with?	
24	Where can you find a column, in the Ethiopian style, that commemorates Admiral Lord Nelson?	
25	What did Arthur Phillip, owner of an estate in Lyndhurst, go on to achieve in Australia?	
26	At which stately home did prospective members of the Special Operations Executive (SOE) receive their training in WW2?	
27	What architectural style are the listed buildings <u>opposite</u> Southampton Central Station an example of?	

28	Which Royal Navy ship, on display in Portsmouth, was commissioned in 1861?	
29	What type of fish is the most common catch for fly fishermen in the chalk streams of Hampshire?	
30	Which town in Hampshire is home to an international air show?	
31	Which town or city has a theatre called The Mayflower?	
32	Which town in Hampshire is known as the capital of watercress?	
33	Name the distillery based at Fort Cumberland.	
34	What period of architecture is Romsey Abbey best known for?	
35	What type of helmet does the memorial to William Walker, in Winchester Cathedral, show him holding?	
36	Give the family name of the current owners of Beaulieu Abbey.	

37	To what period of prehistory does the hillfort at Danebury belong?	
38	Which King is sometimes known as Henry of Winchester?	
39	In which conflict was Basing House slighted?	
40	What natural phenomenon gives Southampton the advantage of deep water for many hours each day?	
41	The holder of which office lived at Wolvesey Castle?	
42	Where in the New Forest is the tallest non-reinforced concrete building in the world located?	
43	Name the long-distance path that commemorates Charles II's flight after the Battle of Worcester.	
44	Name the company that owned Berth 44 in Southampton and RMS Titanic.	
45	Which TWO symbols are shown on the flag of Hampshire?	a) b)

46	Name the motorway that runs through Hampshire from Cadnam to Portsmouth.	
47	Who is the current Bishop of Winchester?	
48	What type of waterproof coat material was invented by Burberry of Basingstoke?	
49	Which Hampshire town is said to be home to Britain's oldest silk mill ?	
50	What was the name of the Iron Age tribe who occupied the Hampshire area at the time of the Roman Conquest.	
51	Which King of England is represented as Arthur on the Round Table in Winchester's Great Hall?	
52	Which train operator is the main service provider to Hampshire from London Waterloo?	
53	Name TWO National landscapes wholly or partly in Hampshire.	a) b)
54	Name the great medieval fair established by William Rufus, on a hill to the east of Winchester.	

55	Which town in Hampshire is home to the Submarine Museum?	
56	What is the nickname given to Portsmouth Cathedral?	
57	Which town is home to the Milestones Museum?	
58	How is the Saxon nunnery site in Winchester usually known?	
59	For which World War Two offensive were the military structures still visible on Lepe Beach constructed?	
60	Name the modern structure in Portsmouth that is regarded as the city's symbol?	
61	Where was Nelson's favourite ship, the Agamemnon, built?	
62	Name the New Forest's most famous snake catcher.	
63	Who was Licoricia, whose statue stands outside the library in Winchester?	
64	Name the harbour between Portsmouth and Hayling Island.	

65	Which queen, associated with Winchester, was wife to two kings of England and mother to two more?	
66	Name TWO places (town, city or village) where a statue of Jane Austen can be seen.	a) b)
67	Name the house where Florence Nightingale was born.	
68	Where is the Headquarters of the Army Air Corps?	
69	Name the great 19th century engineer, born in Portsmouth, who is most famous for his railways and bridges.	
70	Which children's book, by Richard Adams, is set in the North Wessex Downs?	

ISLE OF WIGHT

71	Name ONE of the two films about Queen Victoria to have had scenes shot on the Isle of Wight.	
72	Name TWO ports on the mainland from where it is possible to take a ferry to the Isle of Wight.	a) b)

73	Name the heiress who inherited the Isle of Wight in 1262.	
74	Name the most easterly settlement on the Isle of Wight.	
75	Name the inventor of the hovercraft who spent two years in East Cowes.	
76	Name a Roman Villa open to the public on the Island.	
77	What type of small mammal, now restricted to a few areas on the mainland, is thriving on the Island?	
78	Which Germanic tribe is thought to have settled the island in the 6th Century?	
79	What was the purpose of the Black Arrow project between 1969 and 1971?	
80	What type of machine did Queen Victoria enjoy using on the beach at Osborne?	
81	What is a chine?	
82	What pungent food crop, grown near Newchurch on the Isle of Wight, is celebrated with an annual festival?	

83	Which famous 17th Century scientist was born at Freshwater?	
84	What type of rock forms the Needles?	
85	In what year did the Battle of the Solent take place off the east coast of the Isle of Wight?	
86	How long is the Isle of Wight coastal path (to the nearest 5 miles)?	
87	Which of Charles Dickens' novels did he write much of, whilst staying on the Isle of Wight?	
88	What was the job of the donkeys who worked at Carisbrooke Castle?	
89	What is the county town of the Isle of Wight?	
90	Name ONE of the four surviving seaside piers on the Isle of Wight.	
91	What nickname is used for St. Catherine's Oratory medieval lighthouse near Chale?	
92	Which period of prehistory do the submarine excavations at Bouldnor Cliff date from?	

93	Where on the island was the world's first radio station set up by Marconi?	
94	In which month of the year does the Isle of Wight Festival take place?	
95	What type of art is Julia Margaret Cameron known for?	
96	What was Istiorachis macarthurae, discovered in 2025, and named after the famous sailor?	
97	Name the poet who wrote "Endymion" whilst staying near Freshwater.	
98	Which annual sailing event takes place off the Isle of Wight in August?	
99	Name the prison where the Yorkshire Ripper and the Kray twins were once held.	
100	Name the highest point on the Isle of Wight.	

Now turn to Section B

SECTION B (25 marks for each question)

In note form or as bullet points answer TWO questions from this Section

B1.

You have been asked to plan a *private* introductory tour *for two guests* for **ONE** of the attractions below, to last about one hour. You will need to choose **EIGHT** stopping points including logical start and end points.

Write notes for your tour including:

- a. The practical and safety notes you will include in your introduction.
- b. The overview of the attraction you will give in your introduction.
- c. Where you will stand at each stop point.
- d. A list of commentary headlines for each stopping point.
- e. How you will conclude the tour.

Choose **ONE** from:

- D-Day Museum
- Jane Austen Museum
- Winchester Cathedral
- Exbury Gardens
- Carisbrooke Castle

B2.

You have been asked to give an introductory presentation about **EITHER** Hampshire **OR** the Isle of Wight for a group of visitors who have never been here before.

Use bullet points to develop your outline plan for the presentation under the following topic headlines:

- Landscape/geology
- History
- Culture
- Life here today

Your presentation should enthuse your guests by giving them a sense of the identity and essence of your chosen county in advance of their visit.

B3.

2025 is the 250th anniversary of Jane Austen's birth. Prepare notes for a presentation on her life focusing on the places in Hampshire that are associated with her.

B4.

A tour operator has asked you to suggest **SIX** different sites that will interest a group who wish to explore food **AND** farming in Hampshire **AND** the Isle of Wight. Give reasons for your recommendations and an outline of what your group will experience at your chosen sites.

Cost, transport, timings and practicalities should **NOT** be included.

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ANSWERS TO SECTION B

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