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Read carefully **Passage A, Walk on the Wild Side**, in the Reading Booklet Insert and then answer Questions 1 and 2 on this Question Paper.

Question 1

Imagine that you are a journalist preparing a magazine article about through-hiking. You interview Bo and Alex about their experiences.

Article
T: Topic
A: People
P: Inform

Write the magazine article.

In your magazine article you should explain:

- what through-hiking involves and how someone should prepare for it
- Bo's and Alex's memories of their first day
- the challenges and benefits of through-hiking.

Base your magazine article on what you have read in Passage A, but be careful to use your own words. Address each of the three bullet points.

Begin your article: 'Through-hiking is rapidly rising in popularity ...'

Write about 250 to 350 words.

Up to 15 marks are available for the content of your answer, and up to 5 marks for the quality of your writing.

Through-hiking is rapidly rising in popularity because it is an easy fun thing to do when you are bored.

Through-hiking involves a lot of things and you have to do quite a lot of preparation before going for through hiking. You can carry a small tent which will help you stay anywhere at night in case you don't find a shelter. You can also carry some food, socks and a water filter. The filter would help you keep the water clean which you drink. You have to walk a lot which can make you tired so you need to take rests. The area could be remote so therefore, you wouldn't receive any signal to contact your friends and family. Due to this, spend time with them before and inform them about your through-hiking journey.

As Bo and Alex ^{kw} ^{sp} ~~tell~~ ^{thier} first day was a rather tiring and scary one. Bo first noticed Alex and thought that he was a professional hiker. Soon after starting his journey, ~~he~~ there was ~~am~~ creepy silence which made Bo scared. He could only see the forest and old leaves lying on the ground. After a while, he was able to see the mountains which made him relaxed and relived his pressure. At night, when he was sleeping, he heard a loud noise which made him scared. He saw someone coming but couldn't figure out who they were. But to his relief, it was Alex - another hiker that got lost and came to Bo to ask for help.

Also, there are quite a few challenges involved. ~~the~~ You could face wild animals, scary plants and occasionally no one to help. These things could be pretty scary. You could sometimes not find food to eat, water to drink and a place to spend the night. These things could be pretty frustrating and annoy you so keep them in mind when going for through hiking. The ^{main} benefit ~~and~~ of this type of hiking is that it helps you get rid of your fear and teach you how to survive in these types of circumstances if ~~they~~ ~~are~~ you ever encounter them in your daily lives.

Overall, through hiking is a pretty fun and challenging thing to do especially if you are alone. So I would

suggest you ~~to~~ go for it and give it a try.

* Balanced and developed response 😊.

* A good attempt at writing using a persona.

* Magazine article - start with 5 Ws!

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Excellent!

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