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Please read this information before the examination starts:

- Answer Question 1 (page 2) **and** Question 2 (page 5).
- Both questions are 20 marks.
- You have one hour.

QUESTION 1

Poem Commentary [20 marks]

In the following poem, how does the poet convey his message, by using language and form creatively?

who knows if the moon's a balloon?

who knows if the moon's
a balloon, coming out of a keen city
in the sky—filled with pretty people?
(and if you and i should

get into it, if they
should take me and take you into their balloon.
why then
we'd go up higher with all the pretty people

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than houses and steeples and clouds:
go sailing
away and away sailing into a keen
city which nobody's ever visited, where

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always
it's
Spring) and everyone's
in love and flowers pick themselves

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