

LEVEL C (C1 & C2)

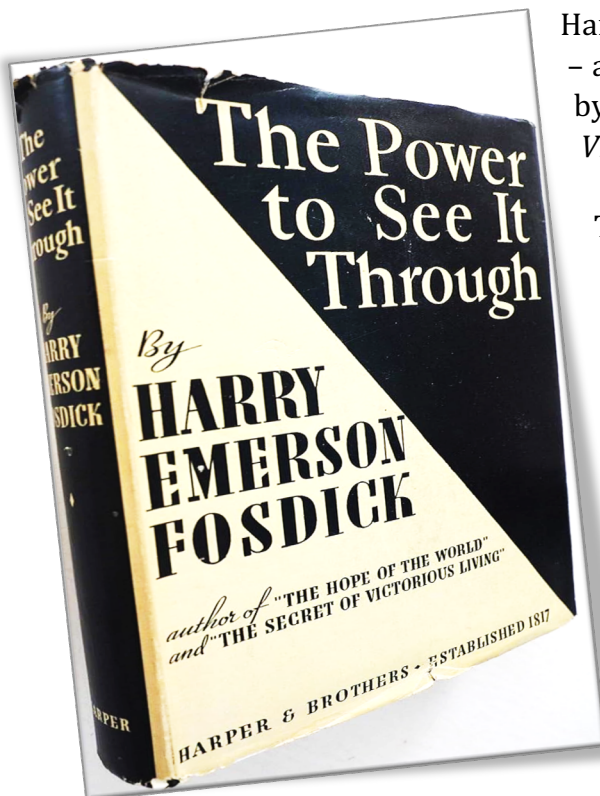
2024 B

MODULE 2 Writing and mediation

ACTIVITY 1

Write a 300-word essay, based on what Harry Emerson Fosdick said in the interview below which starts with the Scandinavian proverb "The north wind made the Vikings" (which means that challenging circumstances can be a blessing rather than a curse, like for the Vikings who became very strong and tough because they lived in extremely harsh conditions):

- In the first part of your essay, **explain** how the author of the book below links the title of his book with what he said when he was interviewed (150 words).
- Then, make an **argument** supporting or opposing his position (150 words).



Harry Emerson Fosdick, author of *The Power to See it Through* – a book first published in 1935 – and other books inspired by faith, including *The hope of the World* and the *Secret of Victorious Living*, has said in an interview of his:

There is a Scandinavian saying which some of us might well take as a rallying cry for our lives: "The north wind made the Vikings!" Wherever did we get the idea that secure and pleasant living, the absence of difficulty, and the comfort of ease, ever of themselves made people either good or happy? Upon the contrary, people who pity themselves go on pitying themselves even when they are laid softly on a cushion, but always in history character and happiness have come to people in all sorts of circumstances, good, bad, and indifferent, when they shouldered their personal responsibility. So, repeatedly the north wind has made the Vikings."

ATTENTION

- Write your answers in the notebook provided. Use a pen (not a pencil).
- Do NOT write your name anywhere in the notebook or sign your script.
- You have a total of **2 hours** (120 minutes) to complete this part of the exam.

ACTIVITY 2

Having read the information below, write an **opinion article** for the electronic paper *Youth Euronews* to **tell the readers**:

- which one of the three EU health priorities **you think** is the most important, and **explain why** (150 words)
- think of one more health priority you believe should be added and **explain why** you think so (150 words)



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