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## SENIOR CERTIFICATE EXAMINATIONS/ NATIONAL SENIOR CERTIFICATE EXAMINATIONS

This question paper consists of 6 pages.

## INSTRUCTIONS AND INFORMATION

1. This question paper consists of THREE SECTIONS:
SECTION A: Essay
SECTION B: Longer Transactional Text
SECTION C: Shorter Transactional Text
2. Answer ONE question from EACH section.
3. Write in the language in which you are being assessed.
4. Start EACH section on a NEW page.
5. You must plan (e.g. using a mind map/diagram/flow chart/key words), edit and proofread your work. The plan must appear BEFORE each text.
6. All planning must be clearly indicated as such. It is advisable to draw a line through all planning.
7. You are strongly advised to spend approximately:

- 80 minutes on SECTION A
- 40 minutes on SECTION B
- 30 minutes on SECTION C

8. Number the answers correctly according to the numbering system used in this question paper.
9. Give each response a suitable title/heading.
10. Do NOT consider the title/heading when doing a word count.
11. Write neatly and legibly.

## SECTION A: ESSAY

## QUESTION 1

- Write an essay of between 250 and 300 words in length on ONE of the following topics.
- Write down the NUMBER and TITLE of the essay you have chosen correctly, e.g. 1.1 It was too late for tears.
- $\quad$ Give your own title if your choice is QUESTION 1.7.1 OR 1.7.2.
- $\quad$ Spend approximately 80 minutes on this section.
1.1 It was too late for tears.
1.2 A true legend
1.3 Explore, experience, conquer!
1.4 'Show respect, even to people who do not deserve it, not as a reflection of their character, but as a reflection of yours.' - Anonymous
1.5 'True friendship forever' only happens in the movies.


### 1.6 Facing the truth

1.7 Choose ONE of the following pictures and write an essay on a topic that comes to mind. Write the question number (1.7.1 OR 1.7.2) and give your essay a suitable title.

NOTE: There must be a clear link between your essay and the picture you have chosen.

[Source: Taxtalk, April 2018]
1.7.2

[Source: Eastern Cape Business, 2017]

## SECTION B: LONGER TRANSACTIONAL TEXT

## QUESTION 2

- Respond to ONE of the following longer transactional writing texts.
- The body of your response should be between 120 and 150 words in length. Write down the NUMBER and the HEADING of the text you have chosen, e.g. 2.1 LETTER TO THE PRESS.
- Pay particular attention to format, language and register.
- Spend approximately 40 minutes on this section.


### 2.1 LETTER TO THE PRESS

You visit a family member in hospital. The conditions at the hospital are shocking.

Write a letter to the editor of your local newspaper, expressing your views about this matter. Also suggest ways in which conditions at this hospital can be improved.

### 2.2 OBITUARY

Your neighbour has passed away after a long illness. As a close friend of the family, you have been asked to write an obituary paying tribute to him/her.

Write the obituary.

### 2.3 REPORT

You are the supervisor of a group of workers. One of the workers has been absent for more than two weeks. Your manager has asked you to write a report giving reasons for his/her absenteeism.

Write the report.

### 2.4 SPEECH

You have achieved success in your life. The principal of your former school has invited you to address learners at an assembly to motivate them to strive for success.

Write the speech that you will deliver.

## SECTION C: SHORTER TRANSACTIONAL TEXT

## QUESTION 3

- Choose ONE of the following topics and write a shorter transactional text.
- The body of your response should be between 80 and 100 words in length.
- Write down the NUMBER and the HEADING of the text you have chosen, e.g. 3.1 INVITATION CARD.
- Spend approximately 30 minutes on this section.


### 3.1 INVITATION CARD

Your brother/sister will be getting married soon. He/She has asked you to write the content of the wedding invitation card.

Write the content of the invitation card.
NOTE: Do NOT include illustrations or drawings.

### 3.2 DIARY ENTRIES

You have decided to donate blankets to a shelter for the homeless. You personally deliver the blankets to the shelter.

Write TWO diary entries. The first entry must indicate how you felt when you arrived at the shelter for the homeless and the second entry must express how you felt when you left the shelter.

### 3.3 INSTRUCTIONS

You have been following a programme that promotes a healthy lifestyle. Your friend has asked you to provide him/her with a set of instructions on how to lead a healthy lifestyle.

Write the instructions.

