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GRADE 12

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ENGLISH FIRST ADDITIONAL LANGUAGE P3

MARKS: 100

TIME:

21/2 hours

This question paper consists of 7 pages.

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INSTRUCTIONS AND INFORMATION

1. This question paper consists of THREE sections:

SECTION A: Essay	(50)
SECTION B: Longer Transactional Text	(30)
SECTION C: Shorter Transactional Text	(20)

- 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 etc.), 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 where required.
- 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, for example 1.1 If I could turn back time
- Give your OWN title if your choice is QUESTION 1.6, 1.7 OR 1.8.
- Spend approximately 80 minutes on this section.
- 1.1 If I could turn back time [50]
- 1.2 Footprints in the sand ... [50]
- 1.3 A significant change I went through [50]
- 1.4 Artificial intelligence and machines will replace educators in classrooms in the future [50]
- 1.5 "You have to believe in yourself when no one else does." **Serena Williams** [50]

Choose ONE of the following pictures and write an essay on a topic that comes to mind. Write the question number (1.6, 1.7 OR 1.8) and give your essay a suitable title.

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



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TOTAL SECTION A: 50

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, for example 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**

Municipalities struggle to provide adequate water to local communities and schools, leading to unsanitary conditions and lack of drinking water. You have taken it upon yourself to write a letter to the local newspaper editor, highlighting the issue and suggesting potential solutions.

Write the letter. [30]

2.2 **DIALOGUE**

Your parents recently purchased you a new cell phone and have warned you not to take it to school. You were found playing a game on it during class, your phone was confiscated. You must inform your mother and request her to accompany you to school.

Write out the conversation that took place between yourself and your mother.

NOTE: Use the dialogue format.

[30]

2.3 MAGAZINE ARTICLE

Students' well-being and health are very important, especially when examinations draw near. During this time, students frequently experience anxiety and discouragement, particularly in relation to their exam outcomes. As a writer for your school magazine, you have been tasked to write about this issue and offer advice on how they might get over their nervousness and frustration.

Write the magazine article.

[30]



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2.4 SPEECH

A well-known former learner at your school has donated a substantial sum of money to purchase new sports equipment for your school. You have been assigned the responsibility of welcoming him to your school as a learner member of the sports committee.

Write the speech. [30]

TOTAL SECTION B: 30

SECTION C: SHORTER TRANSACTIONAL TEXT

QUESTION 3

- Choose ONE of the following topics and write a short 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, for example 3.1 DIARY ENTRIES
- Spend approximately 30 minutes on this section.

3.1 **DIARY ENTRIES**

You entered a reading competition that you did not anticipate winning because you were unable to sufficiently prepare because of circumstances. In the end, you took first place and won a laptop.

Write TWO entries in your diary in which you say how you felt BEFORE and AFTER participating in the reading competition.

[20]

3.2 INVITATION CARD

Your grandfather will shortly be retiring from employment. He has had a significant impact on the community, friends, and family. A surprise celebration is being held in his honour. Your family has assigned you the responsibility of helping send out the invitations.

Write the invitation.

NOTE: No marks are awarded for drawings or illustrations.

[20]

3.3 **DIRECTIONS**

An athletics competition is being held by your local sports club, of which you are a member; numerous out-of-town sports clubs will be taking part. You have been tasked with providing directions from your town's entrance to the athletics event venue.

Write out the directions.

You must include landmarks, distances and specific directions in your response.

NOTE: No marks are awarded for drawings or illustrations.

[20]

TOTAL SECTION C: 20 GRAND TOTAL: 100

