INSTRUCTIONS AND INFORMATION

1. This question paper consists of THREE sections. Answer ONE question from EACH section:

   SECTION A: Creative Writing (50 marks)
   SECTION B: Longer Transactional Texts (30 marks)
   SECTION C: Shorter Transactional Texts (20 marks)

2. Start EACH section on a NEW page.

3. Number the answers according to the numbering system used in this question paper.

4. It is recommended that you:
   • Plan your responses and make rough drafts before writing out the final versions of your answers;
   • Neatly cross out all plans and rough drafts; and
   • Re-read your work carefully and correct any errors before you hand in the answer book.

5. Do NOT use memorised responses.

6. Pay attention to spelling, choice of words, grammar, punctuation and paragraphing.

7. Write neatly and legibly.
SECTION A: CREATIVE WRITING

QUESTION 1

• Write an essay of between 200 and 250 words (approximately 1 to 1½ pages) on ONE of the following topics.
• Write down the number and title of your essay correctly. Supply your own title if one has not been given.
• You are advised to spend approximately 80 minutes on this section.
• You may, if you wish, use the ideas suggested on some of the topics or write a response that is entirely your own. The suggested ideas only serve as guidance on what you could include in your essay.

1.1 It is great being a teenager in South Africa!

Some ideas:

• Teenagers' rights
• Opportunities for teenagers
• Challenges that may have been experienced by teenagers in the past and have now been resolved

OR

1.2 The best gift I have ever received.

Some ideas:

• Description of the gift
• The gift may either be something that has been bought or something that cannot be bought (e.g. love, friendship, etc.)
• Why you consider it to be the best gift

OR

1.3 I am an ageing animal and this is the story of my life.

Some ideas:

• Reflect on the life of the chosen animal (e.g. cat, dog, cow, lion, elephant, etc.)
• Describe some important events
• Relationship with humans and with other animals

OR
1.4 The number of young people taking alcohol and/or drugs is increasing at an alarming rate. Discuss the problem and suggest possible solutions. [50]

OR

1.5 In today's world, there is no such thing as 'man's work' or 'woman's work'.

Do you agree? Discuss your views.

Some ideas:

- Roles of men and women as defined by tradition and culture
- Reasons for the changing roles of men and women in society
- Gender equity in the world of work [50]

OR
1.6 Choose ONE of the following pictures and write an essay on a topic that comes to mind.

Write the question number and give your essay a suitable title.

EITHER

1.6.1

Some ideas:

- The innocence of childhood
- Love and friendship
- Thoughts on the future of children or South African society
1.6.2

Some ideas:

- Leaving home to begin a new life
- Going on a holiday
- Going off to study at university or college

TOTAL SECTION A: 50
SECTION B: LONGER TRANSACTIONAL TEXTS

QUESTION 2

• Respond to ONE of the following transactional writing tasks.
• The body of your response should be between 120 and 150 words (approximately 12 – 15 lines).
• Write down the number and the heading of the text you have chosen to write.
• Pay particular attention to language, register and audience.
• You are advised to spend approximately 40 minutes on this section.
• You may, if you wish, use the ideas suggested on some of the topics or write a response that is entirely your own. The suggested ideas only serve as guidance on what you could include in your response.

2.1 MAGAZINE ARTICLE

You are a member of the editorial team of a teen magazine. You have been asked to write an article on problems experienced by teenagers today. Write out the article you would submit.

Some ideas:

• Peer pressure
• Relationships
• Physical and emotional changes

OR

2.2 DIALOGUE

You recently had an accident while driving your father's/mother's car without his/her permission. Your parent was very upset with you and questioned you about the incident. Write out the conversation that took place between you and your parent.

NOTE: You must use the dialogue format.

Some ideas:

• Reason for taking the car without permission
• Details of the accident and damage to the vehicle
• Disciplinary measures

OR
2.3 FRIENDLY LETTER

You have just returned from an unforgettable trip with your classmates. Write a letter to a friend describing some of the places you visited and your experiences. 

[30]

TOTAL SECTION B: 30
SECTION C: SHORTER TRANSACTIONAL TEXTS

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 (approximately 8 – 10 lines).
• Write the number and the heading of the text you have chosen.
• You may, if you wish, use the ideas suggested on some of the topics or write a response that is entirely your own. The suggested ideas only serve as guidance on what you could include in your response.

3.1 DIARY ENTRIES

Imagine that you are a famous pop star who records experiences in a diary. Write down the diary entries for any three days in your life as a pop star.

NOTE: Each entry should start with the date.

Some ideas:

• Thoughts on your first public appearance, or on the release of your latest album or CD
• Feelings after a successful event, such as a concert
• Thoughts on your future as a pop star

OR

3.2 INSTRUCTIONS

You have been asked to do a short oral presentation for a Life Orientation lesson on how to study effectively for an examination. Write down a list of about SEVEN tips you would give your classmates in your presentation.

Some ideas:

• The importance of drawing up a study timetable
• Factors to consider when drawing up a study timetable (e.g. time available, other responsibilities, subjects that require more attention, etc.)
• The need for rest, relaxation and a balanced diet

TOTAL SECTION C: 20

GRAND TOTAL: 100