

basic education

Department: Basic Education **REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA**

NATIONAL SENIOR CERTIFICATE

GRADE 12



MARKS: 100

TIME: 2¹/₂ hours

This question paper consists of 6 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 Text – Transactional/Referential/Informational(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. Plan (e.g. a mind map/diagram/flow chart/key words), edit and proofread your work. The plan must appear BEFORE the answer.
- 6. All planning must be clearly indicated as such.
- 7. Use the following time frames as a guideline:

SECTION A: 80 minutes SECTION B: 40 minutes SECTION C: 30 minutes

- 8. Number each response as the topics are numbered in this question paper.
- 9. Write down the title/heading of each response. Give your own title/heading if one has not been provided.

NOTE: The title/heading must NOT be included when doing a word count.

10. Write neatly and legibly.

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SECTION A: ESSAY

QUESTION 1

1.1

- Spend approximately 80 minutes on this section.
- Write an essay of between 250 and 300 words in length (1 to 1¹/₂ pages) on ONE of the following topics.
- Write down the number and title of the essay you have chosen, for example ٠ 1.1 2015: My year to shine
- Give your own title if your choice is QUESTION 1.2, 1.7.1 or 1.7.2.
- 2015: My year to shine [50] 1.2 Write a story that includes the following words: The last time I saw them ... NOTE: The words given in the topic MUST be included somewhere in your essay. [50] Provide your own title. 1.3 An explosion of colours [50]
- 1.4 Social media like 'MXit', 'Facebook' and 'Twitter' have changed human relationships. Do you agree? [50]

1.5 The moment of truth

- 1.6 Teenagers are not really rebellious: they are just misunderstood. Discuss this statement. [50]
- 1.7 Choose ONE of the pictures on the next page 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.
 - There must be a clear link between your essay and the picture you NOTE: have chosen.

[50]

1.7.1



[Source: African Decisions, Issue 3, 2013]

[50]



- [Source: Blackpages, Edition 3, 2012] [50]
 - TOTAL SECTION A: 50

1.7.2

SECTION B: LONGER TRANSACTIONAL TEXT

QUESTION 2

- Spend approximately 40 minutes on this section.
- Respond to ONE of the following transactional writing tasks.
- The body of your response should be between 120 and 150 words in length ٠ (about 12 to 15 lines).
- Write down the number and the heading of the text you have chosen, for example 2.1 Dialogue.
- Pay particular attention to format, language and register.

DIALOGUE 2.1

You are deeply concerned about the problem of litter in your area. You have decided to start a clean-up project to address this issue. However, your friend is trying to convince you that your idea is a waste of time.

Write the dialogue that takes place between your friend and you.

NOTE: Use the dialogue format.

2.2 FORMAL LETTER

On a recent visit to a supermarket, you found that it was not clean. There were also many expired items on the shelves.

Write a letter of complaint to the manager of the supermarket.

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2.3 INFORMAL REPORT

You belong to a youth organisation in your area. In the spirit of making every day a Mandela Day, your organisation recently decided to do some community work. The chairperson of your organisation has asked you to write an informal report outlining the work that you have done.

Write the report.

2.4 REVIEW

Your teacher has asked you to write a review of an English novel you have read.

Write the book review.

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SECTION C: SHORTER TEXT - TRANSACTIONAL/REFERENTIAL/INFORMATIONAL

QUESTION 3

- Spend approximately 30 minutes on this section.
- Choose ONE of the following topics and write a short text.
- The body of your response should be between 80 and 100 words in length (about 8 to 10 lines).
- Write down the number and the heading of the text you have chosen, for example 3.1 Formal invitation.

3.1 FORMAL INVITATION

Your school will be hosting a yearly concert in which learners will perform. As the chairperson of the Representative Council of Learners (RCL), you have been asked to invite members of the School Governing Body (SGB) to attend this concert.

Write out the content of your invitation card.

NOTE: Do NOT include illustrations or drawings.

3.2 **DIARY ENTRY**

You have overheard some of your classmates talking about you.

Write out a SINGLE diary entry expressing how you feel about what they have said. [20]

3.3 INSTRUCTIONS

Your friend wants to borrow an item (e.g. calculator, camera, clothing) that is very important to you. You are prepared to lend it to him/her. However, you want him/her to follow a list of instructions on how to use and care for this item.

Write out the instructions.

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TOTAL SECTION C: 20

GRAND TOTAL: 100