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GRADE 12

ENGLISH HOME LANGUAGE P3

NOVEMBER 2019

MARKS: 100

TIME: 2½ hours

This question paper consists of 7 pages.

INSTRUCTIONS AND INFORMATION

1. This question paper consists of TWO sections:

SECTION A: Essay (50)
SECTION B: Transactional Texts (2 x 25) (50)
2. Answer ONE question from SECTION A and TWO questions from SECTION B.
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/a diagram/a 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. It is advisable to draw a line through all planning.
7. You are strongly advised to spend your time as follows:

SECTION A: approximately 80 minutes
SECTION B: approximately 70 (2 x 35) minutes
8. Number the answers correctly according to the numbering system used in this question paper.
9. The title/heading must NOT be included when doing a word count.
10. Write neatly and legibly.

SECTION A: ESSAY

QUESTION 1

Write an essay of 400–450 words (2–2½ pages) on ONE of the following topics. Write down the NUMBER and TITLE/HEADING of your essay.

1.1 My inner landscape [50]

1.2 'No bird soars too high if he soars with his own wings.'
[William Blake] [50]

1.3 Breaking the code of silence [50]

1.4 'Some of you say, "Joy is greater than sorrow," and others say,
"Nay, sorrow is the greater."
But I say unto you, they are inseparable.
Together they come, and when one sits alone with you at your board,
remember that the other is asleep upon your bed.'
[Khalil Gibran, *The Prophet*] [50]

1.5 Stolen glimpses [50]

1.6 The pictures reproduced below and on page 4 may evoke a reaction or feeling in you or stir your imagination.

Select ONE picture and write an essay in response. Write the question number (1.6.1, 1.6.2 or 1.6.3) of your choice and give your essay a title.

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

1.6.1



[Source: outtheway.blogspot.com]

[50]

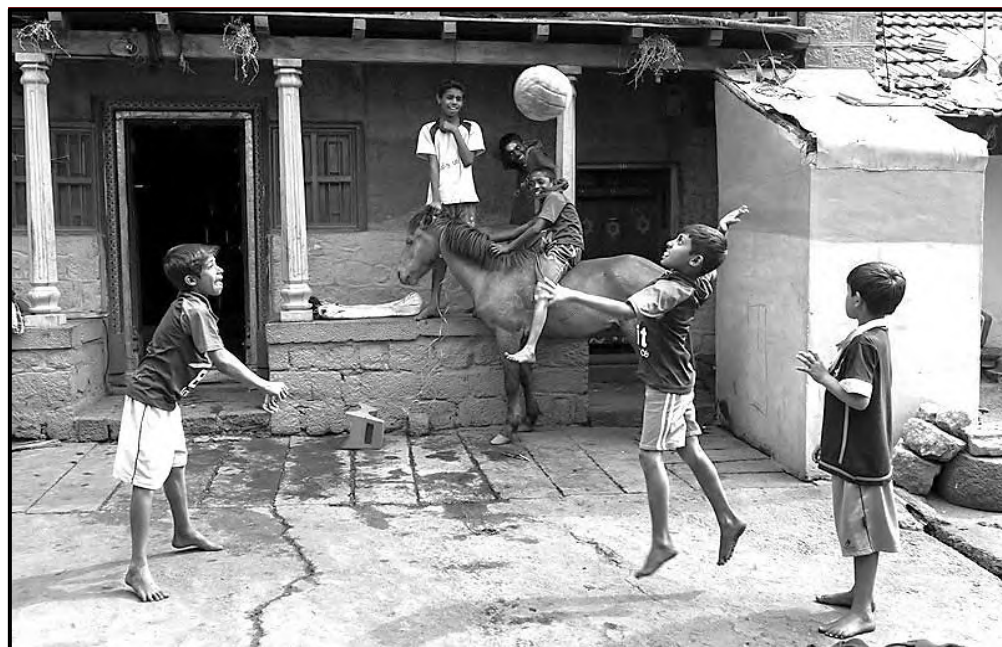
1.6.2



[Source: za.pinterest.com]

[50]

1.6.3



[Source: <http://121clicks.com>]

[50]

TOTAL SECTION A:

50

SECTION B: TRANSACTIONAL TEXTS

QUESTION 2

- Respond to TWO of the following topics.
- The body of each of your answers should be 180–200 words (20–25 lines) in length.
- Pay careful attention to the following:
 - Audience, register, tone and style
 - Choice of words and language structure
 - Format
- Write down the NUMBER and the TITLE/HEADING of the text you have chosen, e.g. 2.1 LETTER TO THE EDITOR.

2.1 LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Many South African schools are creating paperless classrooms. Textbooks are being replaced with electronic books, chalkboards are being replaced with smartboards and communication with various stakeholders at schools is being done electronically.

Write a letter to the Editor of a national newspaper in which you express your views on these developments.

[25]

2.2 BOOK REVIEW



[Source: www.joelsatore.com]

Bouquet for Anne is the biography of a local flower seller.

Write a review of the biography.

[25]

2.3 INTERVIEW

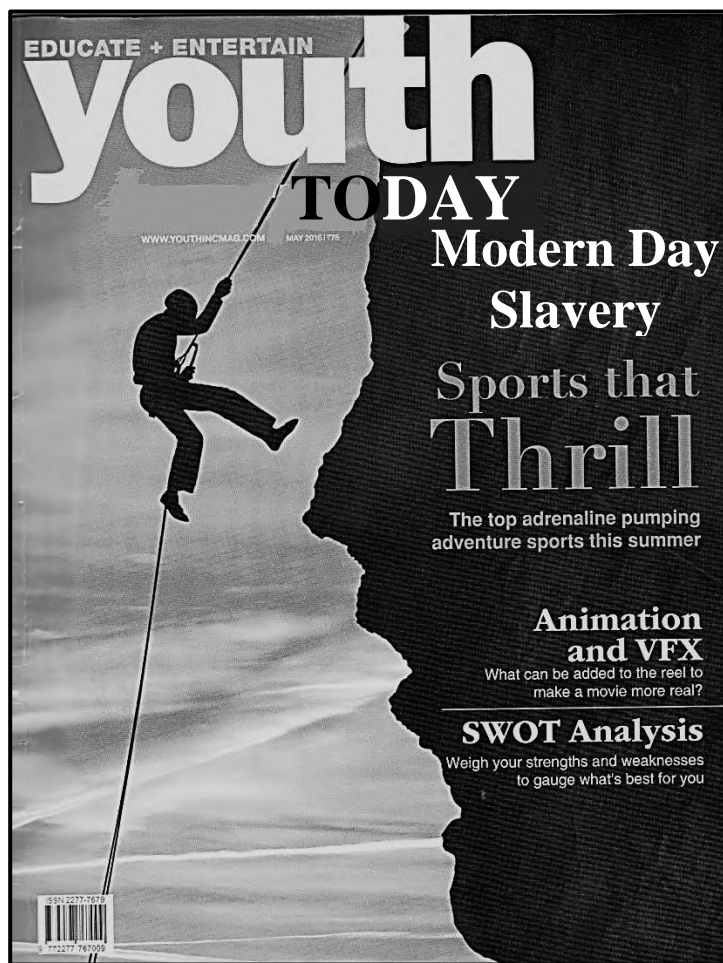
You have been invited as a guest to a sports talk show on television to discuss the issue of unethical practices in sport.

Write the interview that takes place between the presenter and yourself.

[25]

2.4 MAGAZINE ARTICLE

Write an article, titled 'Modern Day Slavery', to be included in the magazine, *youth TODAY*.



[Adapted from: www.youthincmag.com]

[25]

2.5 FORMAL LETTER

WOWEE MAGAZINE
Writers wanted!

Wowee Magazine is looking for writers for its website. Pay is based on the number of people who read your articles. You may also receive free tickets to events and free products to test. This is a great opportunity to get valuable work experience.

We want people who are:
chatty interesting

Contact us at *Wowee Magazine*,
4311 Hades Road, Ashburton, 4321

[Adapted from www.learningenglishteens.britishcouncil.org]

You have submitted your curriculum vitae (CV) to Wowee Magazine and have received a response requesting a letter that highlights your strengths and suitability for the position.

Write the letter that you would send.

[25]

2.6 SPEECH

You have just read a research paper, titled *The Future of Planet Earth*.

As a national motivational speaker, deliver a speech to youth leaders and influencers on the changes that the current generation will have to make to ensure that the planet is protected for the next generation.

[25]

TOTAL SECTION B: 50
GRAND TOTAL: 100



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MARKING GUIDELINES

MARKS: 100

These marking guidelines consist of 8 pages.

INFORMATION FOR THE MARKER

In assessing a candidate's work, the following aspects, among others, drawn from the assessment rubric, must be borne in mind:

- The overall effect of planning, drafting, proofreading and editing of the work on the final text produced.
- Awareness of writing for a specific purpose, audience and context – as well as register, style and tone – especially in SECTION B.
- Grammar, spelling and punctuation.
- Language structures, including an awareness of critical language.
- Choice of words and idiomatic language.
- Sentence construction.
- Paragraphing.
- Interpretation of the topic that will be reflected in the overall content: the introduction, the development of ideas and the conclusion.

SUGGESTED APPROACH TO MARKING

SECTION A: ESSAY

Refer to SECTION A: Rubric for Assessing an Essay found on pages 6 and 7 of these marking guidelines.

CRITERIA USED FOR ASSESSMENT	
CRITERIA	MARKS
CONTENT AND PLANNING (60%)	30
LANGUAGE, STYLE AND EDITING (30%)	15
STRUCTURE (10%)	5
TOTAL	50

1. Read the whole piece and decide on a category for CONTENT AND PLANNING.
2. Re-read the piece and select the appropriate category for LANGUAGE, STYLE AND EDITING.
3. Re-read the piece and select the appropriate category for STRUCTURE.

SECTION B: TRANSACTIONAL TEXTS

Refer to SECTION B: Rubric for Assessing Transactional Texts found on page 8 of these marking guidelines.

CRITERIA USED FOR ASSESSMENT	
CRITERIA	MARKS
CONTENT, PLANNING AND FORMAT (60%)	15
LANGUAGE, STYLE AND EDITING (40%)	10
TOTAL	25

1. Read the whole piece and decide on a category for CONTENT, PLANNING AND FORMAT.
2. Re-read the piece and select the appropriate category for LANGUAGE, STYLE AND EDITING.

NOTE:

- Various formats of transactional/referential/informational texts have been taught/are in current practice. This has to be considered when assessing the format.
- Give credit for appropriateness of format.
- Look for a logical approach in all writing.

NOTE:

- The points given below each topic in these marking guidelines serve only as a guide to markers.
- Allowance must be made for a candidate's own interpretation of the topic, even if it differs from the given points or a marker's own views or interpretations.

SECTION A: ESSAY

QUESTION 1

Candidates are required to write ONE essay of 400–450 words (2–2½ pages) on ONE of the given topics. Candidates may write in any genre: narrative, descriptive, reflective, discursive, argumentative, or any combination of these.

1.1 **My inner landscape**

- Introspection could be explored.
- Candidates could focus on personalities/true self/characters. [50]

1.2 **'No bird soars too high if he soars with his own wings.'**

[William Blake]

- Candidates could include the concept of independence/initiative versus collaborative teamwork. [50]

1.3 **Breaking the code of silence**

- Responses could focus on challenging institutionalised/self-imposed silence. [50]

1.4 **'Some of you say, "Joy is greater than sorrow," and others say,
"Nay, sorrow is the greater."
But I say unto you, they are inseparable.
Together they come, and when one sits alone with you at your board,
remember that the other is asleep upon your bed.'**

[Khalil Gibran, *The Prophet*]

- The candidate should explore joy and sorrow as complementary conditions. [50]

1.5 **Stolen glimpses**

- Fleeting moments/sensory experiences that evoke emotions could be explored. [50]

1.6 **NOTE:** There must be a clear link between the essay and the picture chosen.

1.6.1 **Penguins following a man**

- Credit literal, figurative and mixed responses. [50]

1.6.2 **Withered flowers**

- Credit literal, figurative and mixed responses. [50]

1.6.3 **Children at play**

- Credit literal, figurative and mixed responses. [50]

TOTAL SECTION A: 50

SECTION B: TRANSACTIONAL TEXTS

QUESTION 2

Candidates are required to respond to TWO of the topics set. The body of each response should be 180–200 words (20–25 lines) in length. The language, register, style and tone must be appropriate to the context.

2.1 LETTER TO THE EDITOR

- The letter should address the writer's views on the issue of the paperless classroom; the movement toward increasing the use of technology in schools.
- Format: own address, date, addressee, subject line, salutation, signing off [25]

2.2 BOOK REVIEW

- Suggested format: title, author, publisher, genre, rating [25]

2.3 INTERVIEW

- The interview should focus on unethical practices that negatively affect sport.
- Only two characters should be included.
- Use valid dialogue format. [25]

2.4 MAGAZINE ARTICLE

- Candidates must focus on the concept, 'Modern Day Slavery'.
- Responses could be light-hearted or serious.
- Format: Headline is essential; by-line is optional [25]

2.5 FORMAL LETTER

- The candidate must highlight his/her strengths and suitability.
- Format: own address, date, addressee, subject line, salutation, signing off [25]

2.6 SPEECH

- The speech should motivate the audience to take the necessary steps to ensure the preservation of the planet for the next generation.
- Candidates could highlight issues pertaining to global warming/pollution/ the importance of recycling/the preservation of our natural resources. [25]

TOTAL SECTION B: 50
GRAND TOTAL: 100

NOTE:

- Always use the rubric when marking the creative essay (Paper 3, SECTION A).
- Marks from 0–50 have been divided into FIVE major level descriptors.
- In the Content, Language and Style criteria, each of the five level descriptors is divided into an upper-level and a lower-level subcategory with the applicable mark range and descriptors.
- Structure is not affected by the upper-level and lower-level division.

ASSESSMENT RUBRIC FOR ESSAY – HOME LANGUAGE [50 MARKS]

Criteria		Exceptional	Skilful	Moderate	Elementary	Inadequate
CONTENT AND PLANNING (Response and ideas) Organisation of ideas for planning; Awareness of purpose, audience and context 30 MARKS	Upper level	28–30 -Outstanding/Striking response beyond normal expectations -Intelligent, thought-provoking and mature ideas -Exceptionally well organised and coherent, including introduction, body and conclusion/ending	22–24 -Very well-crafted response -Fully relevant and interesting ideas with evidence of maturity -Very well organised and coherent, including introduction, body and conclusion/ending	16–18 -Satisfactory response - Ideas are reasonably coherent and convincing -Reasonably organised and coherent, including introduction, body and conclusion/ending	10–12 -Inconsistently coherent response -Unclear ideas and unoriginal -Little evidence of organisation and coherence	4–6 -Totally irrelevant response -Confused and unfocused ideas -Vague and repetitive -Unorganised and incoherent
		25–27 -Excellent response but lacks the exceptionally striking qualities of the outstanding essay -Mature and intelligent ideas -Skilfully organised and coherent, including introduction, body and conclusion/ending	19–21 -Well-crafted response -Relevant and interesting ideas -Well organised and coherent, including introduction, body and conclusion	13–15 -Satisfactory response but some lapses in clarity -Ideas are fairly coherent and convincing -Some degree of organisation and coherence, including introduction, body and conclusion	7–9 -Largely irrelevant response -Ideas tend to be disconnected and confusing -Hardly any evidence of organisation and coherence	0–3 -No attempt to respond to the topic -Completely irrelevant and inappropriate -Unfocused and muddled
	Lower level					

ASSESSMENT RUBRIC FOR ESSAY – HOME LANGUAGE [50 MARKS] (continued)

Criteria		Exceptional	Skilful	Moderate	Elementary	Inadequate
		14–15	11–12	8–9	5–6	0–3
LANGUAGE, STYLE AND EDITING Tone, register, style, vocabulary appropriate to purpose/effect and context; Word choice; Language use and conventions, punctuation, grammar, spelling	Upper level	-Tone, register, style and vocabulary highly appropriate to purpose, audience and context -Exceptionally impressive use of language -Compelling and rhetorically effective in tone -Virtually error-free in grammar and spelling - Very skilfully crafted	-Tone, register, style and vocabulary very appropriate to purpose, audience and context -Language is effective and a consistently appropriate tone is used -Largely error-free in grammar and spelling -Very well crafted	-Tone, register, style and vocabulary appropriate to purpose, audience and context -Appropriate use of language to convey meaning -Tone is appropriate -Rhetorical devices used to enhance content	-Tone, register, style and vocabulary less appropriate to purpose, audience and context -Very basic use of language -Tone and diction are inappropriate -Very limited vocabulary	-Language incomprehensible -Tone, register, style and vocabulary not appropriate to purpose, audience and context -Vocabulary limitations so extreme as to make comprehension impossible
15 MARKS	Lower level	13 -Language excellent and rhetorically effective in tone -Virtually error-free in grammar and spelling -Skilfully crafted	10 -Language engaging and generally effective -Appropriate and effective tone -Few errors in grammar and spelling -Well-crafted	7 -Adequate use of language with some inconsistencies -Tone generally appropriate and limited use of rhetorical devices	4 -Inadequate use of language -Little or no variety in sentences -Exceptionally limited vocabulary	
STRUCTURE Features of text; Paragraph development and sentence construction		5 -Excellent development of topic -Exceptional detail -Sentences, paragraphs exceptionally well-constructed	4 -Logical development of details -Coherent -Sentences, paragraphs logical, varied	3 -Relevant details developed -Sentences, paragraphs well-constructed -Essay still makes sense	2 -Some valid points -Sentences and paragraphs faulty -Essay still makes some sense	0–1 -Necessary points lacking -Sentences and paragraphs faulty -Essay lacks sense
5 MARKS						

ASSESSMENT RUBRIC FOR TRANSACTIONAL TEXT – HOME LANGUAGE [25 MARKS]

Criteria	Exceptional	Skilful	Moderate	Elementary	Inadequate
CONTENT, PLANNING AND FORMAT Response and ideas; Organisation of ideas for planning; Purpose, audience, features/conventions and context 15 MARKS	13–15 -Outstanding response beyond normal expectations -Intelligent and mature ideas -Extensive knowledge of features of the type of text -Writing maintains focus -Coherence in content and ideas -Highly elaborated and all details support the topic -Appropriate and accurate format	10–12 -Very good response demonstrating good knowledge of features of the type of text -Maintains focus – no digressions -Coherent in content and ideas, very well elaborated and details support topic -Appropriate format with minor inaccuracies	7–9 -Adequate response demonstrating knowledge of features of the type of text -Not completely focused – some digressions -Reasonably coherent in content and ideas -Some details support the topic -Generally appropriate format but with some inaccuracies	4–6 -Basic response demonstrating some knowledge of features of the type of text -Some focus but writing digresses -Not always coherent in content and ideas -Few details support the topic -Has vaguely applied necessary rules of format -Some critical oversights	0–3 -Response reveals no knowledge of features of the type of text -Meaning is obscure with major digressions -Not coherent in content and ideas -Very few details support the topic -Has not applied necessary rules of format
LANGUAGE, STYLE AND EDITING Tone, register, style, purpose/effect, audience and context; Language use and conventions; Word choice; Punctuation and spelling 10 MARKS	9–10 -Tone, register, style and vocabulary highly appropriate to purpose, audience and context -Grammatically accurate and well-constructed -Virtually error-free	7–8 -Tone, register, style and vocabulary very appropriate to purpose, audience and context -Generally grammatically accurate and well-constructed -Very good vocabulary -Mostly free of errors	5–6 -Tone, register, style and vocabulary appropriate to purpose, audience and context -Some grammatical errors -Adequate vocabulary -Errors do not impede meaning	3–4 -Tone, register, style and vocabulary less appropriate to purpose, audience and context -Inaccurate grammar with numerous errors -Limited vocabulary -Meaning obscured	0–2 -Tone, register, style and vocabulary do not correspond to purpose, audience and context -Error-ridden and confused -Vocabulary not suitable for purpose -Meaning seriously impaired