



# basic education

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

## **NATIONAL SENIOR CERTIFICATE**

**GRADE 12**

**ENGLISH FIRST ADDITIONAL LANGUAGE P3**

**FEBRUARY/MARCH 2018**

**MARKS: 100**

**TIME: 2½ hours**

**This question paper consists of 6 pages.**

**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), 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, for example 1.1 An escape.
- Give your own title if your choice is QUESTION 1.7.1 OR 1.7.2.
- Spend approximately 80 minutes on this section.

1.1 An escape [50]

1.2 We have been friends since Grade 1. [50]

1.3 The home in which I grew up [50]

1.4 'Life is really simple, but we insist on making it complicated.' – Confucius  
Discuss this statement. [50]

1.5 We are responsible for what future generations will inherit from us. [50]

1.6 Freedom of speech is both a right and a responsibility.  
Do you agree? [50]

1.7 Choose ONE of the pictures below 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.

1.7.1



[Source: [www.google.com](http://www.google.com)]

[50]

1.7.2



[Source: [www.dreamstime.com](http://www.dreamstime.com)]

**[50]**

**TOTAL SECTION A:**

**50**

**SECTION B: LONGER TRANSACTIONAL TEXT****QUESTION 2**

- Respond to ONE of the following 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 FRIENDLY LETTER.
- Pay particular attention to format, language and register.
- Spend approximately 40 minutes on this section.

**2.1 FRIENDLY LETTER**

Your friend has won a gold medal at a provincial sports tournament. Write a letter to congratulate him/her on the achievement.

**[30]****2.2 LETTER OF APPLICATION**

A production company is filming a new television series in your area. The company has placed an advertisement for the position of a general assistant in the local newspaper.

Write a letter of application to the production manager applying for this position.

**[30]****2.3 INFORMAL REPORT**

As a volunteer at an orphanage, you organised a project to collect food items for the children. The director of the orphanage has asked you to submit an informal report at the end of this project.

Write out the report.

**[30]****2.4 INTERVIEW**

Your grandmother is very ill and requires home-based care. She has asked you to conduct an interview with a private nurse for the position of a caregiver.

Write out the interview that takes place between you and the private nurse.

**NOTE:** Use the dialogue format.

**[30]****TOTAL SECTION B: 30**

**SECTION C: SHORTER TRANSACTIONAL TEXT****QUESTION 3**

- 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.
- Write down the NUMBER and the HEADING of the text you have chosen, for example 3.1 INVITATION CARD.
- Spend approximately 30 minutes on this section.

**3.1 INVITATION CARD**

Your friend will soon be moving to another province to study. You wish to organise a farewell party for him/her.

Write out the content of the invitation card that you will send to his/her friends.

**NOTE:** Do NOT include illustrations or drawings. [20]

**3.2 DIARY ENTRIES**

You have just started a new casual job.

Write TWO diary entries. The first entry must indicate how you felt before you went to work and the second entry must express how you felt after your first day at work. [20]

**3.3 DIRECTIONS**

You are in a shopping centre and a passer-by asks you for directions to the local post office. Give him/her directions from the shopping centre to the post office.

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

**NOTE:** Do NOT include sketches or maps. [20]

**TOTAL SECTION C: 20**  
**GRAND TOTAL: 100**