



# basic education

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

## **NATIONAL SENIOR CERTIFICATE**

**GRADE 12**

**ENGLISH FIRST ADDITIONAL LANGUAGE P3**

**FEBRUARY/MARCH 2015**

**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 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.

**SECTION A: ESSAY****QUESTION 1**

- Spend approximately 80 minutes on this section.
- Write an essay of between 250 and 300 words in length (1 to 1½ pages) on ONE of the following topics.
- Write down the number and title of the essay you have chosen, for example  
1.1 A case of mistaken identity
- Give your own title if your choice is QUESTION 1.2, 1.7.1 or 1.7.2.

1.1 A case of mistaken identity [50]

1.2 Write a story that includes the following words:

I stared into the distance with tears in my eyes ...

**NOTE:**

- The words given in the topic **MUST** be included somewhere in your essay.
- Provide your own title.

[50]

1.3 Beauty [50]

1.4 There is more to life than having fun. Do you agree? [50]

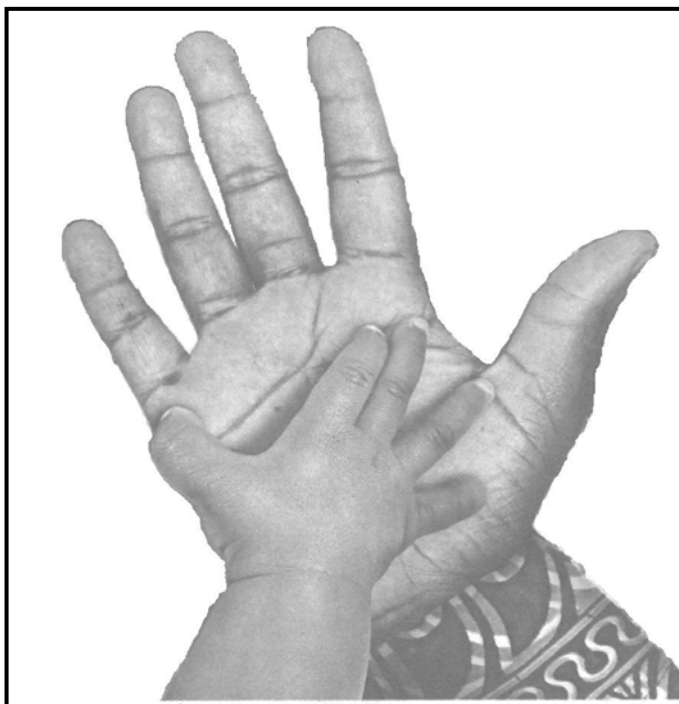
1.5 Today I am wiser than ever before. [50]

1.6 Your future is not created by others, but by yourself.  
Discuss this statement. [50]

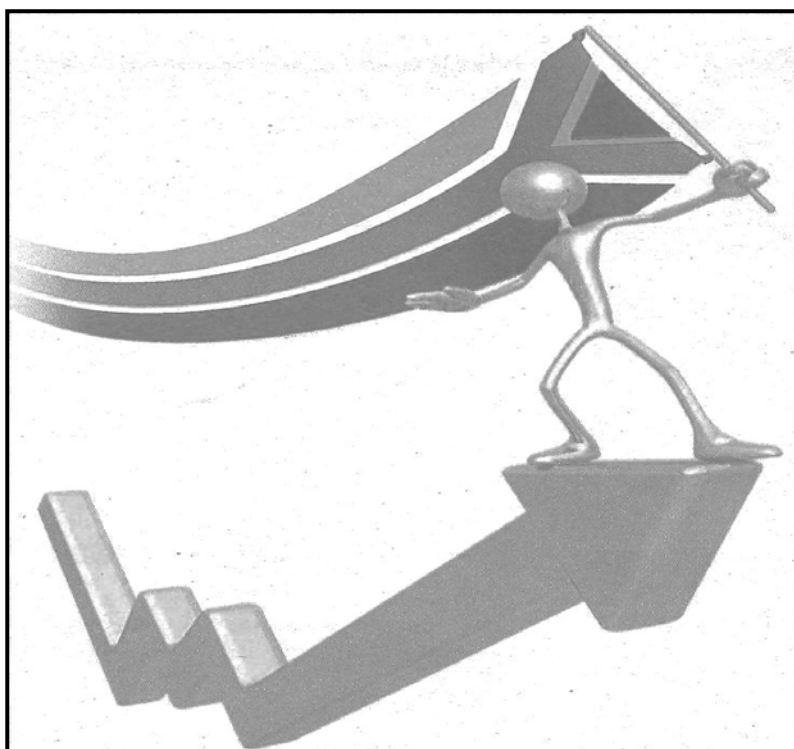
1.7 Choose ONE of the pictures on the next page and write an essay on a topic that comes to mind. Write the question number (1.7.1 or 1.7.2) and give your essay a suitable title.

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

1.7.1

[Source: *Sunday Tribune*, 21 July 2013]**[50]**

1.7.2

[Source: *Sake 24*, 17 August 2013]**[50]****TOTAL SECTION A: 50**

**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 (about 12 to 15 lines).
- 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.

**2.1 FRIENDLY LETTER**

Your best friend recently arranged a surprise party for you.

Write a letter to thank your friend.

**[30]****2.2 FORMAL REPORT**

You are the secretary of a youth group in your community. This group is not pleased with the services that the public library offers. You have discussed the matter with the Chief Librarian. She/He has requested a formal report.

Write out the report.

**[30]****2.3 MAGAZINE ARTICLE**

A popular magazine is running a competition that requires entrants to write an article entitled: 'Tips for Teenagers to Stay Fit and Healthy.' You have decided to enter this competition.

Write the article that you will submit.

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

A former learner of your school has achieved great success in his/her career. As editor of your school magazine, you have decided to conduct an interview with this person. This interview will be published in your school magazine to inspire learners.

Write out the interview that takes place between the two of you.

**NOTE:** Use the dialogue format.

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

**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 Advertisement

**3.1 ADVERTISEMENT**

Many learners are experiencing difficulties in the subject English. Since you are an outstanding learner in English, you have decided to advertise your services for extra lessons on the school notice board.

Write out the advertisement.

**NOTE:** Do NOT include illustrations or drawings.

**[20]**

**3.2 POSTCARD**

You are studying in another province. You have heard that your grandmother is concerned about your well-being and progress in your studies.

Write the text of the postcard that you will send her.

**[20]**

**3.3 DIRECTIONS**

You belong to a sports club that is organising a fun-run to celebrate International Mandela Day. You have been asked to provide directions that participants will follow during this event. The fun-run will start at the sports club and end at your school.

Write the directions for the fun-run.

**NOTE:**

- In your response, you must include some distances, turns and landmarks. Do not include sketches or maps.
- If you live in an urban area, include landmarks like a fast-food outlet, an intersection or a park.
- If you live in a rural area, include prominent features like a bridge, a river or a road sign.

**[20]**

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