



# basic education

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Basic Education  
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## **NATIONAL SENIOR CERTIFICATE**

**GRADE 12**

**ENGLISH HOME LANGUAGE P3**

**NOVEMBER 2015**

**MARKS: 100**

**TIME: 2½ hours**

**This question paper consists of 6 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 There was no possibility of taking a walk that day. [50]
- 1.2 The past is a foreign country. [50]
- 1.3 'When she transformed into a butterfly, the caterpillars spoke not of her beauty, but of her weirdness. They wanted her to change back into what she always had been.'
- 'But she had wings.' (Dean Jackson) [50]
- 1.4 Gold is the dust that blinds all eyes. [50]
- 1.5 'There's a time for daring and there's a time for caution, and a wise man understands which is called for.' (In *Dead Poets Society*) [50]
- 1.6 The pictures reproduced below 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



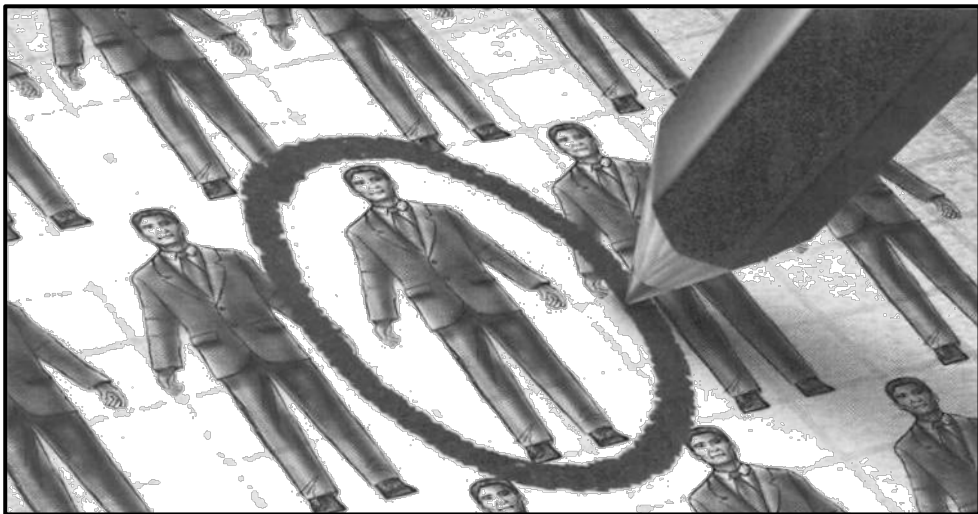
[Source: [www.urdu-mag.com](http://www.urdu-mag.com)]

[50]

1.6.2

[Source: [www.nostalgia.com](http://www.nostalgia.com)]**[50]**

1.6.3

[Source: *Entrepreneur*, September 2014]**[50]****TOTAL SECTION A:****50**

**SECTION B: TRANSACTIONAL TEXTS****QUESTION 2**

- Respond to TWO of the following topics.
- The body of your answer 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 TITLE/HEADING of the text you have chosen, e.g. 2.1 Magazine article.

**2.1 MAGAZINE ARTICLE**

You have been approached by the editor of a popular magazine to start a column for young South Africans entering the job market.

Write an article, titled 'Your future could be on-(the)-line', for publication in the next issue.

**[25]****2.2 OBITUARY****TEENAGER'S TRAGIC END**

A seventeen-year-old teenager has died tragically. A parent's worst nightmare has become a reality.

Write the obituary of the teenager for publication in a local newspaper.

**[25]****2.3 LETTER TO THE PRESS**

As a prospective student of a tertiary institution, you have been treated in an unprofessional manner.

Write a letter to the editor of a national newspaper, expressing your concern.

**[25]****2.4 DIALOGUE**

Young people have differing views on brand names. Wearing branded clothing is often seen as a status symbol.

Write a dialogue between two friends who have opposing views on this growing trend.

**[25]**

**2.5 SPEECH**

As the chairperson of a Conservation Club, you have been requested to address important guests on the gravity of nature conservation in South Africa. Using the image below as a guide, write the speech you will deliver.



[Source: [www.theknowledgeplymouth.co.uk](http://www.theknowledgeplymouth.co.uk)]

**[25]****2.6 FORMAL REPORT**

A serious incident occurred at a recent sports event. As the captain of a participating team, you have been requested by the organisers to submit a report on the incident.

Write the formal report that you will present.

**[25]**

<b>TOTAL SECTION B:</b>	<b>50</b>
<b>GRAND TOTAL:</b>	<b>100</b>