INSTRUCTIONS AND INFORMATION

1. This question paper consists of THREE sections:

   SECTION A: Essay (40)
   SECTION B: Longer Transactional Text (20)
   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 essay.

6. Clearly indicate all planning. It is advisable to draw a line through all planning.

7. Spend approximately:
   - 60 minutes on SECTION A
   - 30 minutes on SECTION B
   - 30 minutes on SECTION C

8. Number each response as the topics are numbered in the question paper.

9. Write down the title/heading of each response. Give a suitable 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

• Write an essay of between 200 and 250 words (1–1½ pages) in length on ONE of the topics below.

• Write down the question number and title of your essay correctly, for example 1.1 The kind of music that rocks my world.

• Give your own title if one has not been given.

• Spend approximately 60 minutes on this section.

1.1 The kind of music that rocks my world [40]

1.2 Friendship has taught me so much
   Write a story that contains these words. [40]

1.3 Now that's a true leader! [40]

1.4 I will never forget that experience at my school. [40]

OR
1.5 Choose ONE of the pictures below and write an essay on a topic that comes to mind. Write the number of the picture you have chosen (1.5.1, 1.5.2, 1.5.3 or 1.5.4) and give your essay a suitable title.

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

1.5.1

[Source: Move!, 29 May 2012]

1.5.2

[Source: www.googleimages.com]
1.5.3

1.5.4

[Source: www.googleimages.com]

[Source: O Magazine, February 2009]

TOTAL SECTION A: 40
SECTION B: LONGER TRANSACTIONAL TEXT

QUESTION 2

- Respond to ONE of the following transactional writing tasks.
- The body of your response should be between 80 and 100 words (8–10 lines) in length.
- Write down the question number and the heading of the text you have chosen, for example 2.1 Informal Letter.
- Pay particular attention to format, language, register and audience.
- Spend approximately 30 minutes on this section.

2.1 INFORMAL LETTER

You have just been presented with an award at your school prize-giving ceremony.

Write a letter to your friend, telling him/her how you feel about this award. [20]

2.2 DIALOGUE

Your friend told you something in confidence, but you decided to tell other learners in your class. Now your friend is upset because he/she is being teased.

Write a dialogue that takes place between you and your friend, in which you apologise and explain your side of the story. [20]

2.3 REPORT

Teachers at your school have noticed that the Grade 8 learners do not attend sports days. As the chairperson of the Representative Council of Learners (RCL), you have been asked to find out why.

Write a report to the principal of your school, providing him/her with the reasons given by Grade 8 learners and make recommendations. [20]

2.4 FORMAL LETTER

You have recently noticed that learners from different schools in your area meet outside a local supermarket every day after school to socialise.

Write a letter to the editor of your local newspaper in which you express your concern. [20]

TOTAL SECTION B: 20
SECTION C: SHORTER TEXT – TRANSACTIONAL/REFERENTIAL/INFORMATIONAL

QUESTION 3

• Choose ONE of the topics below and write a short text.
• The body of your response should be between 60 and 80 words (6–8 lines) in length.
• Write down the question number and the heading of the text you have chosen, for example 3.1 Invitation.
• Spend approximately 30 minutes on this section.

3.1 INVITATION

You have accepted a scholarship to study medicine in a foreign country next year.

Write out an invitation to the people who supported you, inviting them to your farewell function. [20]

3.2 POSTCARD

You have taken a trip to visit a family member who lives in another part of South Africa. You want to tell your parents about your holiday experience and that you are thinking of them.

Write a message in postcard format. Include all relevant information.

NOTE: Do NOT include drawings. [20]

3.3 INSTRUCTIONS

Your mother asks you to take care of your younger brother who is in bed with flu, while she goes shopping.

Write the SIX instructions, in point form, that your mother has left you to follow to make sure that you take proper care of your brother.

NOTE: Use full sentences. [20]

TOTAL SECTION C: 20
GRAND TOTAL: 80