



# basic education

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Basic Education  
**REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA**

**NATIONAL  
SENIOR CERTIFICATE**

**GRADE 12**

**ENGLISH HOME LANGUAGE P3**

**FEBRUARY/MARCH 2013**

**MARKS: 100**

**TIME: 2½ hours**

**This question paper consists of 8 pages.**

**INSTRUCTIONS AND INFORMATION**

1. This question paper consists of THREE sections:  

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| 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. You must plan (e.g. a mind map/diagram/flow chart/key words, etc.), edit and proof-read 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 approximately:
  - 80 minutes on SECTION A
  - 40 minutes on SECTION B
  - 30 minutes on SECTION C
8. Number each response as the topics are numbered in the question paper.
9. Give each response a suitable title/heading.  
**NOTE:** The title/heading must NOT be considered when doing a word count.
10. Write neatly and legibly.

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

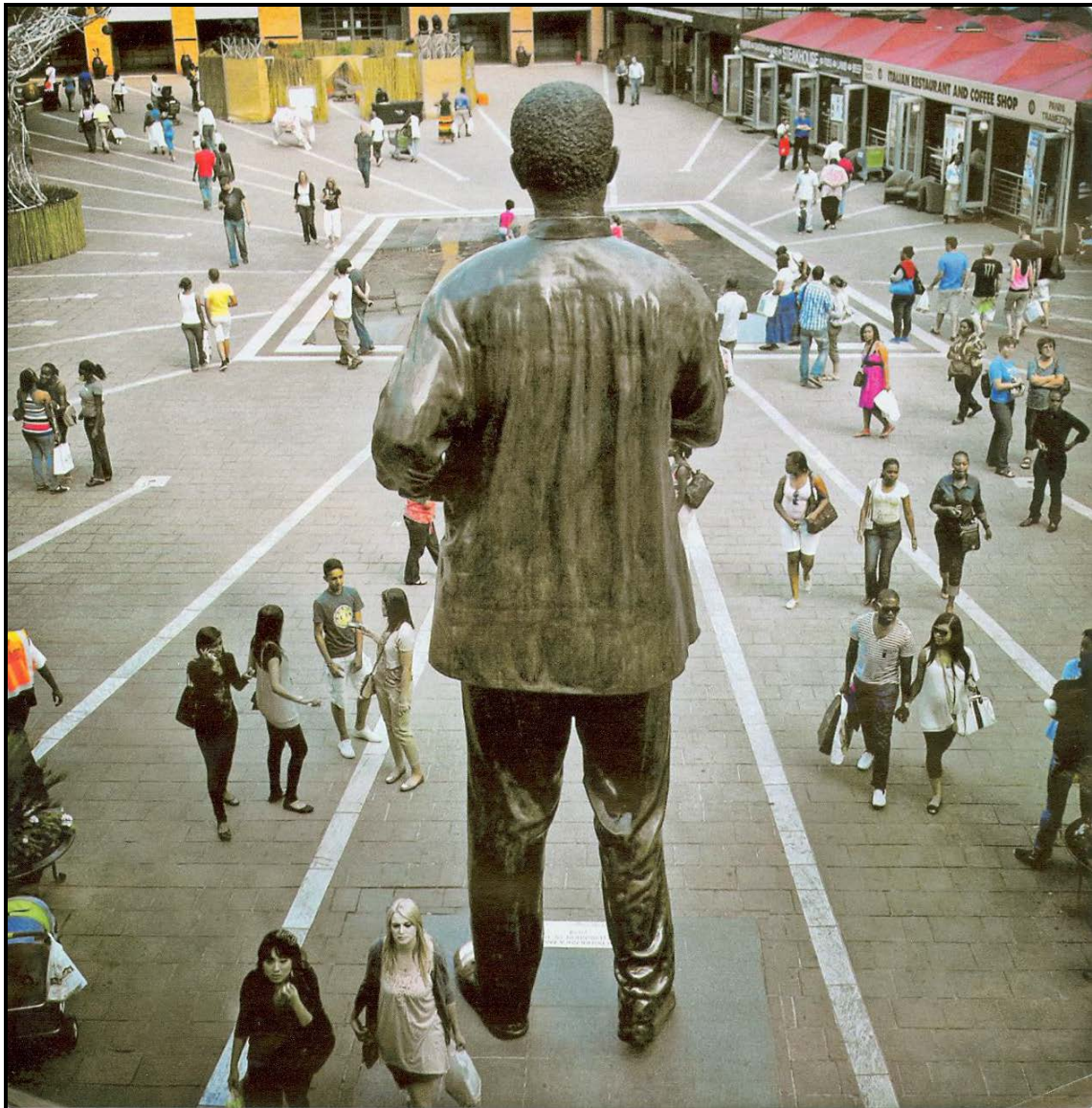
Write an essay of 400–450 words (2–2½ pages) on ONE of the following topics. Write down the NUMBER and TITLE/HEADING of your essay.

- 1.1 'We penetrated deeper and deeper into the heart of darkness.'  
(Joseph Conrad) [50]
- 1.2 Technology makes us forget the real purpose of our lives. [50]
- 1.3 You can be a king or a street-sweeper, but everybody dances with the Grim Reaper. [50]
- 1.4 We do not inherit the earth from our ancestors. We borrow it from our children.  
(A chief of the Squamish people) [50]
- 1.5 Freedom of speech has a dark side. [50]
- 1.6 Break the silence! [50]
- 1.7 The pictures reproduced on pages 4 and 5 may evoke a reaction or feeling in you or stir your imagination.

Select ONE picture and write an essay in response. Write down the question number (1.7.1 or 1.7.2) 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.

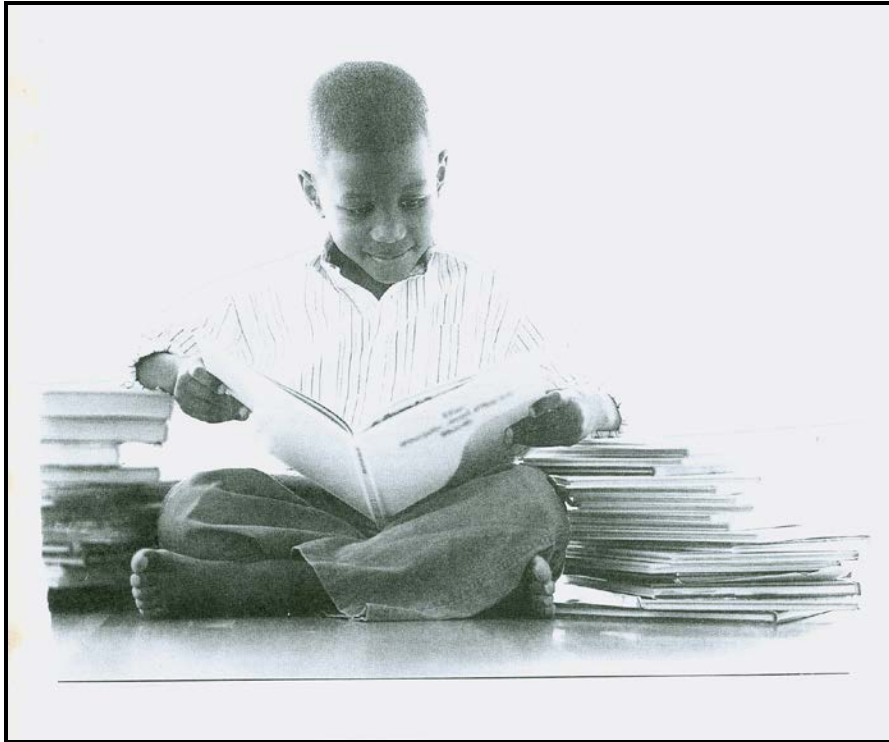
1.7.1



[Source: Vodacom now, Autumn 2012]

[50]

1.7.2



[Source: *Fairlady*, January 2012]

**[50]**

**TOTAL SECTION A:**

**50**

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

- Respond to ONE 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 Letter of Application.

**2.1 LETTER OF APPLICATION**

The following advertisement was published in *The Star* newspaper.

**SA film makers to challenge Hollywood**

If you have not made it to Hollywood but dream of a career in the film and television industry, the good news is that the NFVF is offering free part-time training to aspirant script editors.

Script editors are responsible for checking the storyline and characters and resolving problems in a script.

If you have what it takes, apply for one of our free workshops to:  
The Personnel Manager, Sediba Trainers,  
Private Bag X5, Johannesburg, 2000.

[Source: *The Star*, 22 May 2012]

Write a letter of application in response to this advertisement.

**[30]**

**2.2 ARTICLE**

A teen magazine is hosting a competition for the best role model in your community.

Write an article in which you nominate an admirable person for the title, 'Best Role Model – 2013'.

**[30]**

**2.3 DIALOGUE**

You have purchased a meal from a takeaway outlet. You are unhappy with the quality of the meal.

Write the dialogue that takes place between you and the manager. **[30]**

**2.4 FORMAL REPORT**

Recently your community was engaged in an environmental project. As chairperson of the project initiative, write a formal report to the local municipality.

Use relevant subheadings. **[30]**

**TOTAL SECTION B: 30**

**SECTION C: SHORTER TEXT: TRANSACTIONAL/REFERENTIAL/INFORMATIONAL****QUESTION 3**

- Respond to ONE of the following topics.
- The length of the answer should be about 100–120 words.
- 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. 3.1 Diary Entry.

**3.1 DIARY ENTRY**

You have been given a role in a film/TV series being shot locally.

Write a **single** diary entry soon after you receive the news. **[20]**

**3.2 POSTER**

Your school is presenting a production of a play/musical/show.

Design a poster to encourage the community to attend.

**NOTE:** Your response should be limited to written text only. NO MARKS WILL BE AWARDED FOR PICTURES, SKETCHES, etc. **[20]**

**3.3 INSTRUCTIONS**

While on holiday, you have been offered a part-time job. You require certain documents and other items.

Write down a list of instructions to a family member back home, telling him/her what you need in order to begin work. Mention where the various items can be found.

**[20]**

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| <b>TOTAL SECTION C:</b> | <b>20</b>  |
| <b>GRAND TOTAL:</b>     | <b>100</b> |