



# **basic education**

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Basic Education  
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## **SENIOR CERTIFICATE EXAMINATION**

**ENGLISH FIRST ADDITIONAL LANGUAGE P3**

**2015**

**MARKS: 100**

**TIME: 2½ hours**

**This question paper consists of 7 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. It is advisable to draw a line through all planning.
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 That day changed me forever.
- Give your own title if your choice is QUESTION 1.7.1 or 1.7.2.

- 1.1 That day changed me forever. **[50]**
- 1.2 Love is not the only basis for marriage. **[50]**
- 1.3 The media has a powerful influence on people. Do you agree? **[50]**
- 1.4 An unexpected gift **[50]**
- 1.5 Do not judge my choices without understanding my reasons. **[50]**
- 1.6 When I heard that song, the memories came flooding back. **[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.

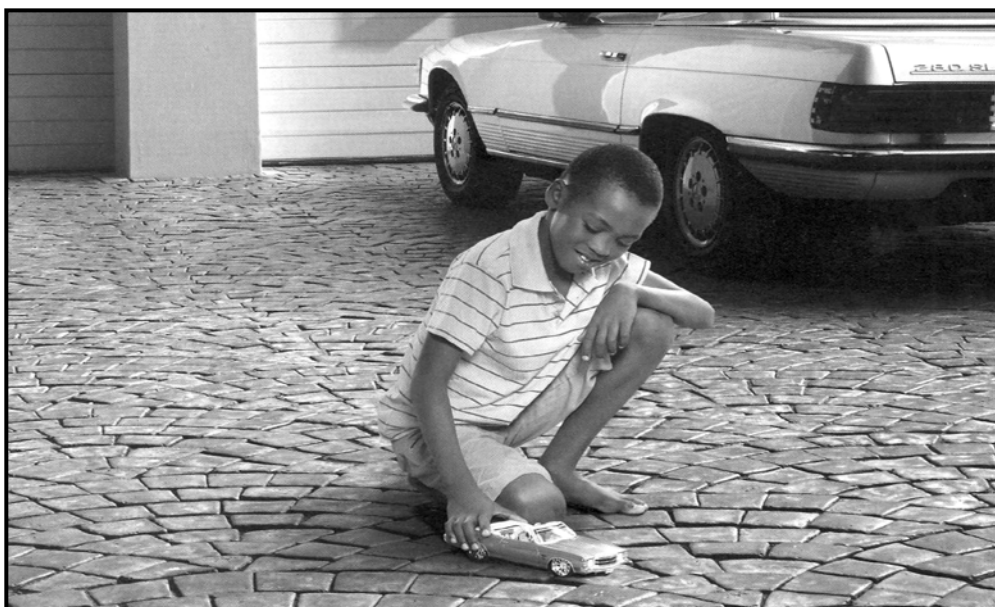
1.7.1



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

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1.7.2



[Source: *Sawubona*, February 2011]

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**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.
- 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**

A friend has decided to move out of the family home and live on his/her own.

Write a letter to your friend, expressing your views on the matter.

**[30]****2.2 OBITUARY**

A teacher who has had a positive impact on your life has passed away.

Write an obituary in which you inform others of his/her death and pay tribute to him/her.

**[30]****2.3 BOOK REVIEW**

You have been requested to write a review of a prescribed Grade 12 novel/play for the benefit of future Grade 12 candidates. This review will be published in an educational newspaper.

Write out the review.

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

You are the manager of a local shop and you advertised a job for a cashier. The interview with the first applicant has taken place.

Write out the interview that took place, using the dialogue format.

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

**SECTION C: SHORTER TRANSACTIONAL TEXT****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.
- Write down the number and the heading of the text you have chosen, for example  
3.1 Invitation

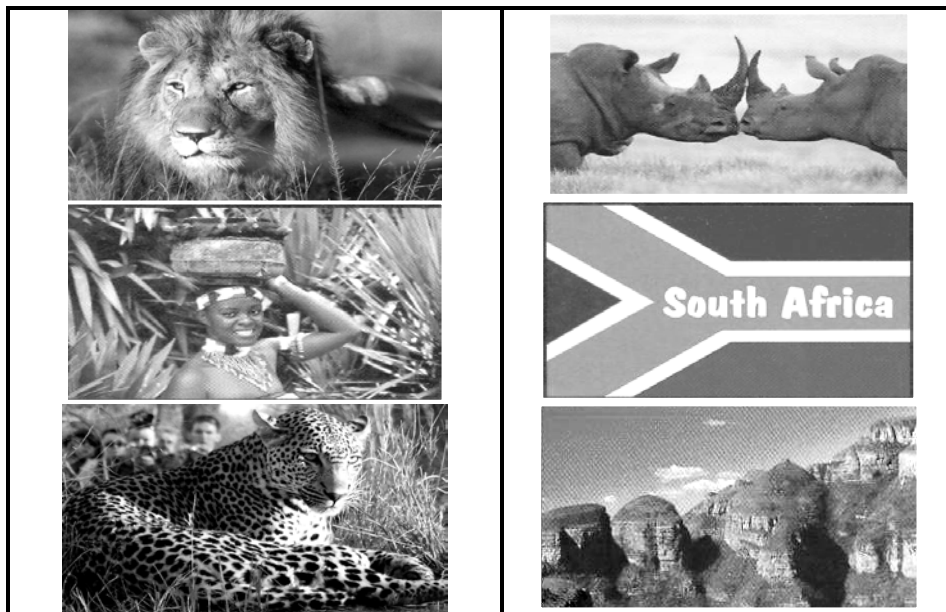
**3.1 INVITATION**

Your brother/sister has recently completed his/her studies. Your family has decided to host a graduation party for him/her. Write out the invitation card you will send to invite guests to the party.

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

**[20]****3.2 POSTCARD**

The following is an example of the front of a postcard:



Imagine that you are a student from another country who is studying in South Africa. You have decided to send a postcard to your family, telling them about your experiences in this country.

Write out the message of the postcard in your ANSWER BOOK.

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

**[20]**

3.3 **DIRECTIONS**

Your new neighbour has asked you for directions to the local library.

Write the directions from your street to the library. You must include landmarks, distances and specific directions in your response.

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

**[20]**

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