

basic education

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

NATIONAL SENIOR CERTIFICATE

GRADE 12



MARKS: 80

This memorandum consists of 9 pages, including the assessment rubrics.

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INSTRUCTIONS AND INFORMATION

This memorandum must be used together with the attached English Second Additional Language assessment rubrics for SECTIONS A, B and C.

SECTION A: ESSAY

QUESTION 1

Instructions to Markers:

- Candidates are required to write on ONE topic only.
- The ideas listed below the topics are only some ways in which the topics could be interpreted. Full credit must be given for the candidate's own interpretation.
- Marking must be objective. Consider the background of the candidates and give credit for relevant ideas, even if they are not listed below the topics.
- Do not penalise candidates if an essay type other than that given (Narrative or Descriptive) is written.
- Use the 40-mark assessment rubric to mark the essays.
- 1.1 If only I had known ...
 - Narrative essay.
 - The following may be included, **among others**:
 - Details of the incident, e.g. what happened, how it happened and where it happened.
 - The candidate's feelings about the incident, e.g. fear, regret and disappointment.
 - The words "If only I had known ..." must appear somewhere in the essay.
- 1.2 The person I admire most.
 - Descriptive essay.
 - The candidate may, **among others**:
 - o identify/name the person
 - o describe the person's behaviour/actions/personality
 - o mention his/her reasons for admiring the person.
- 1.3 The best gift I have ever received.
 - Descriptive essay.
 - The following may be described, **among others**:
 - o The gift.
 - The person who gave the gift.
 - What the gift means to the candidate.

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- 1.4 That was the happiest day of my life.
 - Narrative essay.
 - The following ideas may be explored, **among others**:
 - Things that made the candidate happy on that day.
 - The candidate's feelings about the day.
 - The most memorable incident of the day.
 - The essay must include the words "That was the happiest day of my life."
- 1.5 Interpretation of pictures.
 - Candidates should provide a suitable title.
 - Candidates may interpret the pictures in any way, as long as the interpretation is linked to them.
 - The following ideas may be explored in response to the pictures, **among others**:
 - o 1.5.1
 - The beauty of nature.
 - Protecting the environment.
 - Mountain hiking.
 - o **1.5.2**
 - My first ride in a school bus.
 - A school trip.
 - An old school bus.
 - If the bus could tell a story …
 - o **1.5.3**
 - The importance of being educated/education/studying.
 - The advantages of being educated/education/studying.
 - The value of books.
 - Knowledge is power.
 - o **1.5.4**
 - Strikes/marches cause job loss/loss of security.
 - Impact of strikes/marches on service delivery.
 - The plight of working class people.
 - How the strike affected the candidate as a Grade 12 candidate.

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TOTAL SECTION A: 40

RUBRIC FOR ASSESSING AN ESSAY – SECOND ADDITIONAL LANGUAGE (40)

SECTION B: LONGER TRANSACTIONAL TEXT

QUESTION 2

Instructions to Markers:

- Candidates are required to answer ONE question.
- The ideas listed below the topics are only some ways in which the topics could be interpreted. Full credit must be given for the candidate's own interpretation.
- Marking must be objective. Consider the background of the candidates and give credit for relevant ideas even if they are not listed below the topics.
- Use the 20-mark assessment rubric to mark the responses in this section.

2.1 FORMAL LETTER

- The letter should be addressed to the Station Commander.
- The tone and register of the letter should be formal.
- The letter should be written in paragraphs.
 - The following aspects of **format** should be included:
 - o Address of sender
 - o Address of recipient
 - o Date
 - o Greeting/Salutation
 - o Subject line
 - o Suitable ending
 - o Signature and name of the sender.
- The letter may include, **among others**:
 - Some examples of the types of crimes in the community
 - How children have been affected
 - How these crimes can be prevented.

2.2 **INFORMAL LETTER**

- The address of the sender and a date should be provided.
- The letter should be written in paragraphs.
- The tone and register of the letter should be informal.
- The following information may be included in the letter, **among others**:
 - Name of the institution
 - Location of the institution
 - Why it is a good institution
 - The course of study chosen.
- The following aspects of **format** should be included:
 - o Address of sender
 - o Date
 - o Greeting/Salutation
 - Suitable ending
 - o Name of sender.

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2.3 **DIALOGUE**

- The following aspects of **format** should be included:
 - Name of each speaker
 - Colon after name of each speaker
 - The speaker's words after the colon.
- The following ideas may be explored, among others:
 - o Reasons why candidates have decided to study together
 - o Outline of the candidates' study time-table
 - The candidates' problem subjects
 - The benefits of studying together.

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2.4 **BOOK REVIEW**

- The following details may be included and discussed, among others:
 - o The title and author
 - Setting, i.e. the place where something happened and the things that surround it
 - o Characters
 - Plot, i.e. the events that form the main story of a book
 - Lessons learnt from/messages conveyed by the story.

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TOTAL SECTION B: 20

SECTION C: SHORTER TEXT – TRANSACTIONAL/REFERENTIAL/ INFORMATIONAL

QUESTION 3

Instructions to Markers:

- Candidates are required to answer ONE question.
- The ideas listed below the topics are only some ways in which the topics could be interpreted. Full credit must be given for the candidate's own interpretation.
- Marking must be objective. Consider the background of the candidates and give credit for relevant ideas even if they are not listed below the topics.
- Use the 20-mark assessment rubric to mark the responses in this section.

3.1 **DIRECTIONS**

- Candidates should use an appropriate tone, style and register (formal or informal).
- The following details should be provided, **among others**:
 - Candidates should indicate landmarks such as shops, street names, post office, police station and taxi rank.
 - Candidates should start directions from the taxi rank to their house.
 - Candidates should indicate their residential address.

NOTE: Do not award marks for drawings/illustrations.

3.2 **ADVERTISEMENT**

- The advertisement should highlight the type of business, the position of hair-dressing assistant, business address, telephone contacts, job title and the closing date.
- The following details may be included, **among others**:
- Job requirements:
 - Age and appropriate experience of the applicant
 - Qualifications of the applicant
 - Applicant's ability to work extended hours
 - o Applicant's social skills
- Job opportunities:
 - Study towards a formal qualification
 - o promotion to hairdresser, senior hairdresser, assistant manager.

NOTE: Do not award marks for drawings/illustrations.

3.3 **INSTRUCTIONS**

- Candidates should write in point form.
- The following ideas may be included, **among others**:
 - Make up the bed.
 - Wash the dishes.
 - Sweep the floor.
 - Dust the furniture.
 - Water the garden/plants.
 - o Feed the pets.

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TOTAL SECTION C: 20

GRAND TOTAL: 80

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SECTION A: RUBRIC FOR ASSESSING AN ESSAY – SECOND ADDITIONAL LANGUAGE (40)

	Code 7: Outstanding 80 – 100%	Code 6: Meritorious 70 – 79% 20 – 22	Code 5: Substantial 60 – 69% 17 – 19½	Code 4: Adequate 50 – 59% 14 – 16½	Code 3: Moderate 40 – 49%	Code 2: Elementary 30 – 39% 81⁄2 – 11	Code 1: Not achieved 0 – 29% 0 – 8
CONTENT & PLANNING (28 MARKS)	<u>221/2 – 28</u> -Content shows impressive understanding of topic. -Ideas thought- provoking, mature. -Planning &/or drafting has produced a presentable essay.	-Content shows thorough interpretation of topic. -Ideas imaginative, interesting. - Planning &/or drafting has produced a fairly presentable essay.	-Content shows a sound interpretation of the topic. -Ideas interesting, convincing. - Planning &/or drafting has produced a reasonably presentable essay.	-Content shows an adequate interpretation of topic. -Ideas ordinary, lacking depth. - Planning &/or drafting has produced an acceptably presentable essay for SAL.	<u>11½ – 13½</u> -Content ordinary. Gaps in coherence. -Ideas mostly relevant. Repetitive. - Planning &/or drafting has produced a moderately presentable & coherent essay for SAL.	-Content not always clear, lacks coherence. -Very few ideas, often repetitive. -Inadequate evidence of planning/drafting. Essay not well presented.	-Content irrelevant. No coherence. -Ideas muddled, confused. -Non-existent planning/drafting. Poorly presented essay.
	<u>6 – 7</u>	$5-5\frac{1}{2}$	<u>4½</u>	$3^{1/2} - 4$	<u>3</u>	<u>21/2</u>	<u>0 – 2</u>
LANGUAGE, STYLE & EDITING (7 MARKS)	-Evidence of critical language awareness. -Language, punctuation thoroughly controlled. -Uses appropriate figurative language. -Choice of words is all appropriate. -Style accurately reflects topic through choice of words. -Largely error-free following proofreading & editing.	-Some critical language awareness. -Language, punctuation reasonably controlled; able to use appropriate figurative language. -Choice of words mostly appropriate. -Style appropriately reflects topic through choice of words. -Error-free to an extent following proofreading, editing.	-Limited critical language awareness. -Language & punctuation mostly correct. -Choice of words fairly limited but suited to text. -Style reasonably appropriate & suits topic requirements. -Reasonably error-free following proofreading, editing.	-Some awareness of impact of language. -Language somewhat simplistic, punctuation adequate. -Choice of words somewhat limited but adequately suited to topic. -Style somewhat consistent with topic requirements. -Still contains errors following proofreading, editing.	-Language limited & punctuation often inaccurately used. -Choice of words basic & limited. -Style lacking in coherence & not suited to topic. -Contains several errors following proof- reading, editing.	-Language & punctuation flawed. -Choice of words very limited. -Style does not correspond with topic. -Error-ridden despite proofreading, editing.	-Language & punctuation seriously flawed. -Choice of words muddled & confused. -Style flawed in all aspects. -Error-ridden & confused following proofreading, editing.
	<u>4 – 5</u>	<u>3½</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>21/2</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>1½</u>	<u>0 – 1</u>
STRUCTURE (5 MARKS)	-Coherent development of topic. Vivid detail. -Sentences, paragraphs all appropriately constructed conveying meaning clearly. -Length correct.	-Logical development of details. Coherent. -Sentences, paragraphs appropriately constructed & meaning is clear. -Length correct.	-Few relevant details developed. -Sentences, paragraphs reasonably constructed in most cases & meaning is quite clear. -Length correct.	-Some points, necessary details mentioned. -Lapses in sentence & paragraph construction but overall meaning is maintained. -Length almost correct.	-Some necessary points evident. -Sentences, paragraphs faulty but overall meaning maintained. -Length – too long/short.	-Sometimes off topic. General line of thought difficult to follow. -Sentences, paragraphs lack basic construction for meaning. -Length – too long/short.	-Off topic. -Sentences, paragraphs muddled, inconsistent. Length – far too long/short.

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SECTION B: RUBRIC FOR ASSESSING LONGER TRANSACTIONAL TEXTS – SECOND ADDITIONAL LANGUAGE (20 marks)

	Code 7: Outstanding 80 – 100% <u>11½ – 14</u>	Code 6: Meritorious 70 – 79% <u>10 – 11</u>	Code 5: Substantial 60 – 69% <u>81⁄2 – 91⁄2</u>	Code 4: Adequate 50 – 59% <u>7 – 8</u>	Code 3: Moderate 40 – 49% <u>6 – 61/2</u>	Code 2: Elementary 30 – 39% <u>4¹/₂ – 5¹/₂</u>	Code 1: Not achieved 0 - 29% <u>0 - 4</u>
CONTENT, PLANNING & FORMAT (14 MARKS)	-Very good knowledge of requirements of the text. -Learner maintains focus on topic, no digression. -Content and ideas coherent, text has details supporting the topic. -Evidence of planning and/or drafting has produced a very presentable text.	-Good knowledge of requirements of text. -Learner maintains focus, hardly any digressions. -Text is fairly coherent in content and ideas, and topic has details supporting the text. -Evidence of planning and/or drafting has produced a fairly presentable and coherent text. -Has applied the necessary rules of format well.	-Fair knowledge of requirements of text. -Learner maintains focus with minor digressions. -Text is reasonably coherent in content and ideas. -Evidence of planning and/or drafting has produced a reasonably presentable and coherent text. -Has applied most of the necessary rules of format.	-Adequate knowledge of requirements of text. -Writing – learner digresses but does not impede overall meaning. -Adequately coherent in content & ideas, some details support topic. -Evidence of planning and/or drafting has produced an acceptable text for SAL. -Has adequately applied the necessary rules of format.	-Moderate knowledge of requirements of text. Response to writing task reveals a narrow focus. -Writing – learner digresses, meaning vague in places. -Moderately coherent in content & ideas, some details support topic. -Evidence of planning and/or drafting has produced a moderately presentably text for SAL. -Has a moderate idea of requirements of format – some obvious oversights.	-Elementary knowledge of requirements of text. Response to writing task reveals a limited focus. -Writing – learner digresses, meaning obscure in many places. -Not always coherent in content & ideas, has few details which support topic. -Limited evidence of planning and/or drafting. Text not well presented. -Has vaguely applied necessary rules of format – some critical oversights.	-No knowledge of requirements of text. -Writing – digresses, meaning obscure in most places. -Not coherent in content & ideas, has very few details which support topic. -Inadequate planning and/or drafting. Very poorly presented text. -Has not applied necessary rules of format.
	<u>5 - 6</u>	<u>4½</u>	<u>4</u>	$3 - 3\frac{1}{2}$	<u>2½</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>0 – 1½</u>
LANGUAGE, STYLE & EDITING (6 MARKS)	 Has applied all the necessary rules of format. Text is mostly grammatically accurate and well constructed. Vocabulary mostly appropriate to purpose, audience and context. Style mostly appropriate. Text mostly errorfree following proofreading and editing. Length correct. 	-Well constructed & fairly accurate. -Vocabulary is fairly appropriate to purpose, audience & context. - Style mostly appropriate. -Text fairly error-free following proof- reading & editing. -Length correct.	-Well constructed & reasonably accurate. -Vocabulary reasonably appropriate to purpose, audience & context. -Style reasonably appropriate. -Reasonably error- free following proof- reading & editing. -Length correct.	-Adequately constructed. Errors do not impede flow. -Vocabulary adequate for purpose, audience & context. -Style, fairly appropriate. -Still contains a fair number of errors following proof- reading & editing. -Length almost correct.	-Basically constructed. Several errors. -Vocabulary limited & not very suitable for purpose, audience & context. -Lapses in style. -Text contains a number of errors following proof- reading & editing. -Length – too long/short.	-Poorly constructed & difficult to follow. -Vocabulary requires some remediation & not suitable for purpose, audience & context. -Style hardly corresponds with topic. -Mostly error-ridden despite proof-reading, editing. -Length – too long/short.	 Poorly constructed & very difficult to follow. Vocabulary requires serious remediation & not suitable for purpose. Style does not correspond with topic. Error-ridden and very confusing following proofreading, editing. Length – far too long/short.

SECTION C: RUBRIC FOR ASSESSING SHORTER TRANSACTIONAL/REFERENCE/INFORMATIONAL TEXTS – SECOND ADDITIONAL LANGUAGE (20)

	Code 7: Outstanding 80 – 100% <u>111/₂ – 14</u>	Code 6: Meritorious 70 – 79% <u>10 – 11</u>	Code 5: Substantial 60 – 69% <u>81⁄2 – 91⁄2</u>	Code 4: Adequate 50 – 59% <u>7 – 8</u>	Code 3: Moderate 40 – 49% <u>6 – 61/2</u>	Code 2: Elementary 30 – 39% <u>4½ – 5½</u>	Code 1: Not achieved 0 – 29% <u>0 – 4</u>
CONTENT, PLANNING & FORMAT (14 MARKS)	-Very good knowledge of requirements of the text. -Learner maintains focus on topic, no digression. -Content and ideas coherent, text has details supporting the topic. -evidence of planning and/or drafting has produced a very presentable text.	-Good knowledge of requirements of text. -learner maintains focus, hardly any digressions. -Text is fairly coherent in content and ideas, and topic has details supporting the text. -Evidence of planning and/or drafting has produced a fairly presentable and coherent text. -Has applied the necessary rules of format well.	-Fair knowledge of requirements of text. -learner maintains focus with minor digressions. -text is reasonably coherent in content and ideas. -Evidence of planning and/or drafting has produced a reasonably presentable and coherent text. -Has applied most of the necessary rules of format.	-Adequate knowledge of requirements of text. -Writing – digresses but does not impede overall meaning. -Adequately coherent in content & ideas, some details support topic. -Evidence of planning and/or drafting has produced an acceptable text for SAL. -Has adequately applied the necessary rules of format.	-Moderate knowledge of requirements of text. Response to writing task reveals a narrow focus. -Writing – digresses, meaning vague in places. -Moderately coherent in content & ideas, some details support topic. -Evidence of planning and/or drafting has produced a moderately presentably text for SAL. -Has a moderate idea of requirements of format – some obvious oversights.	-Elementary knowledge of requirements of text. Response to writing task reveals a limited focus. -Writing – digresses, meaning obscure in many places. -Not always coherent in content & ideas, has few details which support topic. -Limited evidence of planning and/or drafting. Text not well presented. -Has vaguely applied necessary rules of format – some critical oversights.	-No knowledge of requirements of text. Response to writing task reveals a very limited focus. -Writing – digresses, meaning obscure in most places. -Not coherent in content & ideas, has very few details which support topic. -Inadequate planning and/or drafting. Very poorly presented text. -Has not applied necessary rules of format.
	<u>5 - 6</u>	<u>4½</u>	<u>4</u>	$3 - 3\frac{1}{2}$	<u>2½</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>0 - 1¹/2</u>
LANGUAGE, STYLE & EDITING (6 MARKS)	-Has applied all the necessary rules of format. -Text is mostly grammatically accurate and well constructed. -Vocabulary mostly appropriate to purpose, audience and context. -Style mostly appropriate. -Text mostly error-free following proof- reading and editing. -Length correct.	-Well constructed & fairly accurate. -Vocabulary is fairly appropriate to purpose, audience & context. -Style mostly appropriate. -Text fairly error-free following proof- reading & editing. -Length correct.	-Well constructed & reasonably accurate. -Vocabulary reasonably appropriate to purpose, audience & context. -Style reasonably appropriate. -Reasonably error- free following proof- reading & editing. -Length correct.	-Adequately constructed. Errors do not impede flow. -Vocabulary adequate for purpose, audience & context. -Style, fairly appropriate. -Still contains a fair number of errors following proof- reading & editing. -Length almost correct.	-Basically constructed. Several errors. -Vocabulary limited & not very suitable for purpose, audience & context. -Lapses in style. -Text contains a number of errors following proof- reading & editing. -Length – too long/short.	-Poorly constructed & difficult to follow. -Vocabulary requires some remediation & not suitable for purpose, audience & context. -Style hardly corresponds with topic. -Mostly error-ridden despite proofreading, editing. -Length – too long/short.	 Poorly constructed & very difficult to follow. Vocabulary requires serious remediation & not suitable for purpose. Style does not correspond with topic. Error-ridden and very confusing following proofreading, editing. Length – far too long/short.

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