## basic education

Department:
Basic Education
REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA

## NATIONAL <br> SENIOR CERTIFICATE

## GRADE 12



MARKS: 80
TIME: 2 hours

This question paper consists of 8 pages.

## INSTRUCTIONS AND INFORMATION

1. This question paper consists of THREE sections:

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\begin{align*}
& \text { SECTION A: Essay }  \tag{40}\\
& \text { SECTION B: Longer Transactional Text }  \tag{20}\\
& \text { SECTION C: Shorter Text - Transactional/Referential/Informational }
\end{align*}
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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 proof-read 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 exactly 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 ( $1-1 \frac{1}{2}$ 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 greatest lesson of my life.
- Give your own title if one has not been given.
- Spend approximately 60 minutes on this section.
1.1 The greatest lesson of my life
1.2 My favourite sport
1.3 As I looked at the photograph, the memories came rushing back ...

Write a story about the memories that the photograph brings back.
1.4 The most special gift I have ever received
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: www.googleimages.com]
1.5.2

[Source: www.googleimages.com]
1.5.3

[Source: Equinox, June/July 2012]
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[Source: Legacy Inspires, Issue 08]
TOTAL SECTION A:

## 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 lent your favourite book to your cousin, who came to spend the winter holidays with you. He/She promised to return your book as soon as he/she had read it.

Write a letter to your cousin, asking him/her to return your book and explain why it is special to you.
2.2 DIALOGUE

Your mother is worried about the type of friends you have.
Write a dialogue that takes place between you and your mother, in which you try to convince her that your friends are good people and that she has nothing to worry about.

### 2.3 REPORT

Your School Governing Body (SGB) wants to change the school uniform. As the class representative, you have been asked to find out how the learners in your class feel about this.

Write a report to the Chairperson of the SGB, giving your findings and recommendations.

### 2.4 FORMAL LETTER

You attended Spring School classes organised by your school. One of the tutors taught very well and you now understand work that you struggled with before. You were not able to thank the tutor before he/she left your school.

Write a letter in which you express your gratitude/thankfulness and tell your tutor what a difference he/she has made in your studies.

TOTAL SECTION B:

## 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 Poster.
- Spend approximately 30 minutes on this section.


### 3.1 POSTER

Your friend wants to be elected to serve on the Representative Council of Learners (RCL) at your school. He/She has asked you to help to design a poster.

Write the words of the poster, giving details of the elections and encouraging learners to vote for your friend.

NOTE: Do not include drawings.

### 3.2 POSTCARD

After completing Grade 12, you were lucky to move to another country and get a job. You decide to tell your friend about the place, the job and how you feel.

Write the message in postcard format. Include all the relevant details.
NOTE: Do not include drawings.

### 3.3 INSTRUCTIONS

Your friend does not have a study timetable to follow in preparation for his/her examinations.

Write SIX instructions in point form that will help him/her to draw up a proper study timetable. Remember to use full sentences.

TOTAL SECTION C:

