

HILLCREST HIGH SCHOOL



JUNE 2016 ENGLISH HOME LANGUAGE

GRADE 9 PAPER 3 (WRITING)

Time: 2 hours

Examiner: Mrs B. Meiring

Marks: 40

Moderator: Miss S. Boyce

NB: This question paper consists of 6 pages

READ THESE INSTRUCTIONS CAREFULLY BEFORE ANSWERING THE QUESTIONS

1. This question paper consists of TWO sections:
Section A: Creative Writing **20 marks** (+/- 60 minutes)
Section B: Transactional Texts (10 x 2) **20 marks** (2 x 30 minutes)
2. You are required to answer ONE question from Section A and TWO from Section B.
3. Draw a 2 cm margin on the right-hand side of each page of your answer booklet.
4. Write your English teacher's name on your answer booklet.
5. Use the inside cover of your answer booklet's cover page to plan.

INSTRUCTIONS AND INFORMATION

1. This question paper consists of TWO sections:
SECTION A: Essay (20)
SECTION B: Transactional Texts: 2 x 10 (20)
2. Answer ONE question from SECTION A and TWO questions from SECTION B.
3. 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.
4. All planning must be clearly indicated as such. It is advisable to draw a line through all planning.
5. You are strongly advised to spend approximately:
 - 60 minutes on SECTION A
 - 60 minutes on SECTION B
6. Number each response as the topics are numbered in the question paper.
7. The title/heading must NOT be considered when doing a word count.
8. Write neatly and legibly.

SECTION A: ESSAY

Question 1

Write an essay of between 250 – 300 words (1½ to 2 pages) on **ONE** of the following topics below. (1.1 – 1.5)

The following will be assessed:

- Content and planning (50%)
- Language and Editing (25%)
- Structure (25%)

1.1 The witch hunt [20]

OR

1.2 Purple medicine [20]

OR

1.3 A game of musical chairs [20]

OR

1.4 The funny side of sport [20]

OR

1.5 Down but not out [20]

OR

1.6 The pictures reproduced here might evoke a reaction or feeling in you or stir your imagination. Select ONE picture and write an essay in response. Write the question number (1.6.1 or 1.6.2 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.

1.6.1



OR

1.6.2



[TOTAL SECTION A: 20 MARKS]

SECTION B

Question 2

- Respond to **TWO** of the following topics.
- The body of your answer should be 180 – 200 words (20 – 25 lines).
- Pay careful attention to the following:
 - Audience, register, tone and style
 - Choice of words and language structure
 - Format

The following will be assessed:

- Content, planning and format
- Language, style and Editing

2.1. INFORMAL LETTER

You have just witnessed a UFO land in your backyard. Write a letter to a friend, voicing your concerns about your new visitors.

[10]

OR

2.2 LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Paging through the newspaper, you stumbled across a pen pal initiative which challenges readers to submit a letter specifying why they should be chosen as the Sunday Tribune pen pal for 2016. Write a letter to the Editor of the paper trying to convince him to choose you as the ‘Sunday Tribune’ pen pal.

[10]

OR

2.3 DIALOGUE

You have just woken up, only to realize that you have swapped bodies with your younger brother / sister. Write a dialogue between your brother / sister and yourself shortly after you realise that you are trapped in the other’s body.

[10]

OR

2.4 SPEECH

Imagine you are planning to start an Entertainment Club at HHS. You need to pitch the idea to the School Board in order to get approval. Write a speech to present to the Board.

[10]

OR

2.5 INTERVIEW

You are conducting interviews with students in order to complete a Life Orientation project on a 'Back to School' task. The aim is to get the students to answer a questionnaire that you have compiled, which will be used to aid your other research. Write an interview between a student and yourself, documenting their answers to your questionnaire.

[10]

[TOTAL SECTION B: 20 MARKS]

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