

HILLCREST HIGH SCHOOL



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**ENGLISH HOME LANGUAGE
GRADE 11
PAPER 1**

Time: 2 hours

Marks: 70

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N.B. This question paper consists of 9 pages

INSTRUCTIONS AND INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES

READ THESE INSTRUCTIONS CAREFULLY BEFORE ANSWERING THE QUESTIONS

1. This question paper consists of TWO sections:

SECTION A:	Comprehension	30 marks
SECTION B:	Summary	10 marks
SECTION C:	Advertising	10 marks
	Cartoon Study	10 marks
	Editing Skills	10 marks

2. You are required to answer ALL questions.

3. Draw a 2cm wide margin on the right-hand side of each page of your answer booklet.

4. Start each question on a new page and rule off on completion of EACH section.

5. Number each response as it is numbered in the question paper.

6. Write neatly and legibly.

SECTION A: COMPREHENSION

QUESTION 1: TEXT A

ON THE DANGERS OF APATHY

“I don’t care.”

1 You know when you just get fed up? With your friends, your schoolwork, your government, the media coverage of the Kardashians family? With the whole world? When we get overwhelmed, the easiest thing to do is to say, “forget this,” and just go somewhere your problems can’t find you - like your bed. After all, if you stay entirely under the blankets, the monsters can’t get you...right?

Wrong! Of course, it might be warm and comfortable in there, in your cocoon of apathy, but life isn’t just about being comfortable. Part of being a functioning human being involves staring

problems right in the face and saying, “I am not going to take this!” becomes contrary to society’s teachings, you **don’t** have to take it. Not caring is a trap that is all too easy – and far too dangerous to fall into.

6 Sometimes the thought does creep in, though. What if you could do more, be more? Then that thought passes too, and you slip back into indifference because it doesn't ask anything of you.

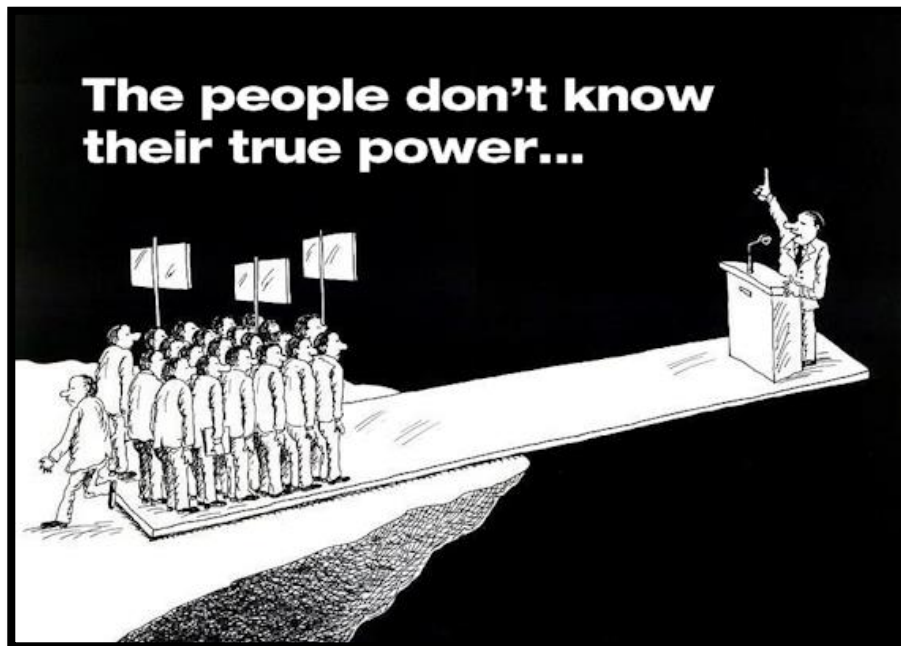
7 Caring, on the other hand does ask something of you – it asks a lot of you, but that doesn't mean you have to transform and suddenly take it upon yourself to correct all the injustices of the world. Caring about the world just means you think about what is wrong and what would have to be done to fix it. You don't even need to focus on “big picture” problems like the polar ice caps melting or Donald Trump potentially declaring World War 3 - just focus on the little slice of here and now that is right in front of you.

8 Don't worry about being the next Mother Theresa or Nelson Mandela – that's how you get overwhelmed. Just look at that piece of litter on the ground, pick it up and tell yourself that it matters. We can't all be “world-changers”, so do what you can, for yourself and for the world and feel good in the knowledge that you are trying. You can't do any more or less than that.

9 Just think, if we each focused on improving our little slice of the world, how different our lives could be?

Adapted from: <https://www.theodysseyonline.com/the-dangers-apathy>

TEXT B



QUESTIONS:

REFER TO PARAGRAPH 1

- 1.1. Using the paragraph, explain the term “apathy” in your own words. 2
- 1.2. “After all, if you stay entirely under the blankets, the monsters can’t get you...right?”
What point is the writer trying to make with this childish image? 2

REFER TO PARAGRAPH 2

- 1.3. According to the writer, what does it take to be a “functioning adult”?
Quote SIX consecutive words to support your answer 2

REFER TO PARAGRAPH 3

- 1.4. Provide a synonym for indifferent. 1
- 1.5. According to the writer, what major issues are we ignoring? Quote to support your answer. 2
- 1.6. What does the proverb, “out of sight, out of mind” mean in this context? 2

REFER TO PARAGRAPH 4

- 1.7. “Nothing you do will help in the grand scheme of things.” Do you agree with this idea?
Explain your viewpoint. 2

REFER TO PARAGRAPH 5

- 1.8. What, according to the writer, are the dangers of thinking of yourself and your life in terms of “the big picture”? 2

- 1.9. “You don’t need to change, the world doesn’t need to change, so you can just keep binge-watching your favourite series completely guilt-free.”

- 1.9.1. What tone is the writer using in this sentence? 1

- 1.9.2. In your opinion, what effect is the writer trying to create by using this tone? 2

REFER TO PARAGRAPHS 7 AND 8

1.10. How does the writer suggest we counteract apathy? Provide two pieces of advice in your own words. 3

REFER TO PARAGRAPH 9

1.11. What is the effect of ending the article with a rhetorical question? 2

REFER TO TEXT B

1.12. Discuss the links between the text and image. 3

REFER TO TEXTS A AND B

1.13. To what extent does Text B (the cartoon) support Text A (the article). Make specific references to both texts in your response. 4

TOTAL SECTION A: 30 MARKS

SECTION B: SUMMARY

QUESTION 2:

INSTRUCTIONS: Carefully read the extract below. Write a 90 word summary, in **paragraph** form, using your own words.

NOTE:

- ✗ It is not necessary to include a heading/title
- ✗ Indicate an accurate word count at the end of your summary
- ✗ Marks will be deducted if you ignore the given instructions

Youth and Politics

1 Around the world there is a growing interest in youth and politics. Some political groups are changing to respond to the growing number of young people who want to affect the political system. Issues important to the youth that were once “on the fringe” are becoming mainstreamed, and more young people are associating themselves with political parties. However, there are other ways for the youth to engage in political activity – such as running for office. Running for office is a big responsibility and demands commitment and the willingness to make their voices heard.

2 In most countries, the legal voting age is 18 – this creates the opportunity for a protest vote. Going to a voting place and casting a blank vote can show youth dissatisfaction with the current political system. Youth as voters can also vote for a young candidate who may be foreign to the political system, but is capable of sharing youth voice.

3 In order to become engaged in politics, young people can learn about political systems, political actions, political issues and other realities within and around the political system. Training young people to change the world through politics means teaching them the skills they need to become involved. These include communication, problem-solving, change management and conflict resolution skills.

4 After a lifetime of being told their voices don’t matter in politics, young people may need inspiration to become engaged. Never in history have children and youth been seen or treated as serious political influences, but given the opportunity, they will be. The reality is that more young people than ever before are actually becoming engaged in local community campaigns and other political activities. The simple truth is that the parliaments of the world no longer belong exclusively to older males – the youth can change the world through politics.

Adapted from: <https://freechild.org/youth-and-politics/>

TOTAL SECTION B: 10 MARKS

SECTION C: TEXTUAL INTERPRETATION

QUESTION 3: ADVERTISING

TEXT C

CONSIDER YOUR MAN CARD REISSUED.

WHAT'S A MAN CARD?

In a world of rapidly depleting testosterone, the Bushmaster Man Card declares and confirms that you are a Man's Man, the last of a dying breed, with all the rights and privileges duly afforded. You carry it in your wallet, ready to show at a moment's notice, instantly ending the discussion for any who would doubt you.

IF IT'S GOOD ENOUGH FOR THE PROFESSIONALS, IT'S GOOD ENOUGH FOR YOU. BUSHMASTER

BUSHMASTER FIREARMS

ADAM L IS JUST UNMANLY

Adam L criticises the eating of red meat while praising soy-based substitutes for pretty much everything else on earth.

MAN CARD REVOKED

REVOKE A MAN CARD

<http://wethearmed.com>

QUESTIONS:

- 3.1. Who is the target market of this advertisement? Quote to support your answer. 2
- 3.2. What is a "man card"? 1
- 3.3. Briefly discuss how the text and images support the advertiser's message. 3
- 3.4. Commentary in response to this advertisement:

"Adam Lanza (the Adam L mentioned in the advertisement) used a Bushmaster AR-15 when he murdered 27 women and children in the Sandy Hook Elementary shooting

- 3.4.1. What is the company's opinion of "Adam L"? 1
- 3.4.2. Is it fair to hold companies responsible for the impact that their advertising has on the public? Explain your viewpoint. 3

SUB-TOTAL SECTION C: 10 MARKS

SECTION C: CARTOON ANALYSIS

QUESTION 4: MADAM AND EVE



Grandmother

Eve

<https://choosybeggarbooks.wordpress.com/tag/african-comic-strips/>

QUESTIONS:

- 4.1. What are the 3 women doing in this cartoon? Quote to support your answer. 2
- 4.2.1. What emotion is the grandmother feeling in Frame 2? How do you know this? 2
- 4.2.2. Explain why she feels this way. 1
- 4.3. Explain Eve’s facial expression in Frame 4. 2
- 4.4. Do you think that humour is an effective method to draw attention to social problems? Explain your viewpoint. 3

SUB-TOTAL SECTION C: 10 MARKS

SECTION C: EDITING SKILLS

QUESTION 5: The following text may contain deliberate errors

It's Time To Start Thinking For Yourself

- 1 You gotta start thinking for yourself at some time fam. You will eventually reach a point where you no longer have a choice. Life forces you. Maybe it’s when you take your first steps as a toddler; or maybe it’s when you sit for your final exams.
- 5 Thinking for yourself is difficult, but fortunately it becomes second nature over time. It’s subconscious. You make decisions without even thinking much at all about what you are doing. Based on experience and memorable life instances, you apply judgment in real-time, therefore as circumstances present themselves, you decide how to react. When people are telling you the world’s falling apart -you have to filter truth from hyperbole and make informed decisions.
- 10 Sadly, many people find this process so exhausting that they choose to stop the pain. They stop thinking on your own.

You have to think for yourself. It demands focus and while at times you're frustrated and unsure, it is the key to breakthroughs. When you stop thinking for yourself, who you could be gets lost in the

QUESTIONS:

- 5.1. “You gotta start thinking for yourself at some time.”
Change this sentence to formal English. 1
- 5.2. Name and provide the function of the punctuation mark in the following:
- 5.2.1. It’s (line 5) 1
 - 5.2.2. real-time (lines 6/7) 1
 - 5.2.3. everyone else’s opinion (line 13) 1
- 5.3. Change the noun “circumstances” (line 7) to an adjective. 1
- 5.4. Explain the word “hyperbole” (line 8) in your own words and quote an example from the text. 1
- 5.5. Correct the concord error in line 10. 1
- 5.6. “Thinking for yourself is difficult, but fortunately it becomes second nature over time.”
(Line 4)
- 5.6.1. What type of sentence is this? Explain your answer. 2
- 5.7. Provide a synonym for “mimicry” (line 13) 1

SUB-TOTAL SECTION C : 10 MARKS

TOTAL SECTION C: 30 MARKS

GRAND TOTAL: 70 MARKS