

Hillcrest High School**May 2018****English Home Language****PAPER 3 – WRITING****Grade 8****2 HOURS****40 Marks****EXAMINER: Miss A. Woolahan****MODERATOR: Mrs N. Atkinson****NB: This question paper consists of 6 pages.****INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES****READ THESE INSTRUCTIONS CAREFULLY BEFORE ANSWERING THE
QUESTIONS**

- 1. Draw a 2cm wide margin on the right-hand side of each page of your answer booklet.**
- 2. Read and follow ALL instructions carefully.**
- 3. Rule off on completion of EACH section and start each section on a new page.**
- 4. Use your time carefully. Suggested time management:
SECTION A: Approximately 60 minutes
SECTION B: Approximately 60 minutes (30 minutes for each transactional piece)**

INSTRUCTIONS AND INFORMATION**1. This paper consists of two sections****SECTION A: Essay (20 marks)****SECTION B: Transactional x2 @10 marks each (20 marks)**

You are required to answer questions from both sections.

- 2. Answer ONE question from Section A**
- 3. Answer TWO questions from Section B**
- 4. Start each section on a new page.**
- 5. You must plan (e.g. mind map/diagram/flow chart / key words, etc.), edit and proof-read your work. The plan must appear before your piece.**
- 6. All planning must be clearly indicated as such. It is advisable to draw a line across all planning.**
- 7. Number each response as the topics are numbered in the question paper.**
- 8. Give each response a suitable heading/title. Note that the title/heading must not be included when doing a word count.**
- 9. WRITE NEATLY AND LEGIBLY!**

SECTION A**QUESTION 1**

Write an essay of between **200-250 words (1½ to 2 pages)** on ONE of the following topics bellow (1.1 – 1.7)

The following will be assessed:

- Content and planning
- Language and Editing
- Structure

1.1 I succeeded even though I thought I would fail. [20]

OR

1.2 “What are you afraid of?” he whispered. [20]

OR

1.3 My bedroom is a nightmare! [20]

OR

1.4 My happy place. [20]

OR

1.5 The tree swayed in the gentle breeze... [20]

OR

1.6 “Why shouldn’t people be able to teleport where ever they want?”~

Palmer Luckey

[20]

1.7 The pictures reproduced on the following pages are likely to evoke some reaction or feeling in you. They may stir your imagination.

Select ONE of the pictures and write an essay in response. Write the question number (1.7.1, 1.7.2 or 1.7.3) of your choice and give your essay a title.

1.7.1



[20]

<https://www.google.co.za/search?q=intriguing+quotes&safe=active&rlz>

OR

1.7.2



[20]

https://www.google.co.za/search?safe=active&rlz=1C1NHXL_enZA726ZA726&biw=1367&bih=639&tbm=isch&sa=1&ei=NfrNWvXGBqSvqAbNmoXICA&q=a+path+not+taken&oq=a+path+not+taken

OR

1.7.3



[20]

https://www.google.co.za/search?safe=active&rlz=1C1NHXL_enZA726ZA726&biw=1367&bih=639&tbm=isch&sa=1&ei=M_vNwv24E8GsgAbAn62ACw&q=sunflower+field&oq=sunflo

TOTAL SECTION A: 20

SECTION B: TRANSACTIONAL TEXTS**QUESTION 2**

- Respond to **TWO** of the following topics.
- The body of your answer should be **140-160** words.
- 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 Friendly Letter

You accidentally broke your mom's favourite vase. Write her a sincere letter of apology. Be sure to include the following details: what led to the vase breaking and what you plan on doing to get her a new vase. [10]

OR

2.2 Formal Letter

You are working at a local coffee shop and want to take time off for a family holiday. Write a letter to your boss asking for time off. [10]

OR

2.3 Dialogue

You have a crush on a boy/girl in your grade and decide to confront them and tell them how you feel. Write the dialogue that takes place between the two of you. [10]

OR

2.4 Interview

You work for a local radio station and have the opportunity to interview a celebrity whom you admire. Write out the interview. [10]

OR

2.5 Magazine Article

You are part of your school's newspaper team and have been tasked with writing a light-hearted article entitled: How to prank your dad. [10]

OR

2.6 Newspaper Article

A young boy has been found in your neighbourhood. Write an article based on his finding. Include the following details: where he was found, the circumstances in which he was first seen by the eye-witness and a description of the child. [10]

OR

2.7 Informal Speech

You have been made your sport's team captain and the team is losing badly. It is your job to give them a motivational half-time pep talk. Write out this speech. [10]

TOTAL SECTION B: 20**TOTAL MARKS [40]**