



**Hillcrest High School**

**April 2019**

**English Home Language**

**PAPER 3 – WRITING**

**Grade 9**

**2 HOURS**

**40 converted to 30 Marks**

**EXAMINER: Miss A. Woolahan**

**MODERATOR: Mrs N. Atkinson**

**NB: This question paper consists of 7 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!**
- 10. NB!! A rough draft is NOT NECESSARY**

**SECTION A****QUESTION 1**

Write an essay of between **250 - 300 words (1½ to 2 pages)** on ONE of the following topics below (1.1 – 1.7)

The following will be assessed:

- Content and planning
- Language and Editing
- Structure
- Use the option as your title.

1.1 His hand stretched out towards mine... (20)

OR

1.2 "What! Gold?" she shouted as I lifted the unearthed treasure into the air (20)

OR

1.3 An asteroid and a meteoroid collide near Earth, and fragments rain down onto the planet's surface, wreaking havoc. (20)

OR

1.4 Nature's beauty. (20)

OR

1.5 My earliest memory. (20)

OR

1.6 "I think people who have faults are a lot more interesting than people who are perfect." ~ Spike Lee (20)

OR

1.7 The pictures reproduced on the following page 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



<https://www.google.com/search?q=interesting+people>

(20)

OR

1.7.2



(20)

<https://www.google.com/search?q=thought+provoking+images&safe=active&hl>

OR

1.7.3



(20)

<https://www.google.com/search?q=thought+provoking+images&safe=active&hl>

**TOTAL SECTION A: 20**

**Please turn over for Section B**

**SECTION B: TRANSACTIONAL TEXTS****QUESTION 2**

- Respond to **TWO** of the following topics.
- The body of your answer should be **160 - 180** 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 SPEECH**

You are the president of your school's Activist Society. It is time for your annual recruitment speech which you give to the grade 8s at the beginning of the year. Write out this speech. Make sure that you include various initiatives and explain what activism is.

Use the image below as a prompt.



(10)

<https://www.google.com/search?safe=active&hl>

**2.2 INTERVIEW**

You are a DJ on a local radio show and an internationally famous band that is touring South Africa has come into studio to promote their latest album and tour. Write out the interview with the band.



(10)

<https://www.google.com/search?q=cartoon+band>

## 2.3 FRIENDLY LETTER

You have been friends with a boy/girl for a very long time and have started to develop feelings for him/her. You're not sure about whether or not you want to take the relationship to the next level.

**Write a letter to a mutual friend** asking for advice on the situation.

Use the image below as a prompt.



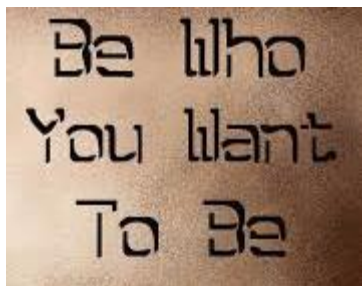
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<https://quotabulary.com/thought-provoking-quotes>

## 2.4 MAGAZINE ARTICLE

Teenagers are heavily influenced by many external factors from social media to friend groups.

Write an article for your school magazine highlighting the importance of individuality. Use the image below as a prompt.



(10)

<https://www.google.com/search?q=thought+provoking+images>

## 2.5 DIALOGUE

You are on the telephone with your gran and the topic of teenagers today arises. Your gran tells you what teenagers were like back in her day. Write out this dialogue. Use the image below as a prompt.



(10)

**TOTAL SECTION B: 20**

**TOTAL MARKS [40]**