

**HILLCREST HIGH SCHOOL****Grade 8****June 2022****ENGLISH HOME LANGUAGE****PAPER 3 – WRITING****Assessor: Mrs Y Desai****Moderator: Mrs N Atkinson****Time: 1.5 hours****Marks: 30****N.B. This question paper consists of 5 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 50 minutes
  - Section B: Approximately 40 minutes



**Section A: Essay****Question 1**

Write an essay of between **200 – 250 words** (1 to 1½ pages) on **ONE** of the following topics below. (1.1 – 1.5)

Planning is **compulsory**.

The following will be assessed:

- Content and planning
- Language and Editing
- Structure

1. Home alone. (20)

**OR**

2. I was horrified by what I saw. (20)

**OR**

3. It doesn't get better than this. (20)

**OR**

4. "I understand what you're saying, and your comments are valuable, but I'm gonna ignore your advice." - Fantastic Mr. Fox (20)

**OR**

5. Our new neighbour. (20)

**OR**

6. The pictures below are likely to evoke some sort of reaction/ feeling in you. This may stir your imagination. Select **ONE** of the pictures and write an essay in response.

**Write the question number (6.1, 6.2. or 6.3) of your choice and give your essay a title.** (20)

6.1



Source: <https://learn.zoner.com/wp-content/uploads/2017/11/5-simple-tricks-to-distract-kids.jpg>

OR

6.2



Source:  
<https://i.pinimg.com/originals/c7/77/b5/c777b51d693b9b7b164a7b29788c2294.png>

OR



6.3

Source:  
<https://media.istockphoto.com/photos/holding-baby-hand-picture->

**Total for Section A: 20 marks**

**Section B: Transactional Writing**

**Question 2**

Write a transactional text of approximately **140 – 160 words** on **ONE** of the following topics. Ensure that you use the correct format. Write neatly and legibly.

Planning is **compulsory**.

Pay careful attention to the following in your response:

- Audience, register, tone and style
- Choice of words and language structure
- Format

**2.1 Friendly letter**

Your friend has recently been making nasty comments about you behind your back. Write a letter to him/ her about the way the comments make you feel and suggest that they stop.

**OR**

**2.2 Speech**

It is your first day back from an international sports tournament. Write the speech you will be giving to the school at assembly about the sports tournament, the competitors you faced at the tournament and the country you visited.

**OR**

**2.3 Magazine article**

The editor of the school magazine has asked you to write an article about your first few months at Hillcrest High. Write an article about your experiences at the school, the sport or cultural activity you took part in and your interactions with your peers.

**Total for Section B: 10 marks**