

# Hillcrest High School

Grade 9

## ENGLISH HL P1 JUNE 2024

This exam consists of 14 pages.

**MARKS:** 70  
**TIME:** 2 Hours

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<b>Question 1</b>	Comprehension */25	
<b>Question 2</b>	Summary */10	
<b>Question 3</b>	Visual Literacy */15	
<b>Question 4</b>	Language structures */20	
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>/70</b>	<b>%</b>

**INSTRUCTIONS AND INFORMATION**

**READ THESE INSTRUCTIONS CAREFULLY BEFORE ANSWERING THE QUESTIONS**

1. Read and follow ALL instructions carefully.
2. Use your time carefully. Suggested time management:
  - Section A: approximately 40 minutes
  - Section B: approximately 25 minutes
  - Section C: approximately 25 minutes
  - Section D: approximately 30 minutes
3. This paper consists of four sections:
 

Section A:	Comprehension	25 marks
Section B:	Summary	10 marks
Section C:	Visual Literacy	15 marks
Section D:	Language Structures	20 marks
4. You are required to answer questions from all four sections.
5. Answer all the questions from section A.
6. Answer all the questions from section B.
7. Answer all the questions from section C.
8. Answer all the questions from section D.
9. **Write neatly and legibly.**

**SECTION A: COMPREHENSION****QUESTION 1**

Refer to **Text A** and answer the questions that follow.

**TEXT A**

Read the passage below and answer the questions.

## Exposed! Shopping Secrets

**There's definitely an upside to shopping online, even though you can't squeeze the fruit.**

Written by: Darrel Bristow-Bovey

Source: The Crest Magazine (August 2021, Issue 102)

1 I was explaining to my partner why I don't like online shopping. "It's too impersonal," I said. "I like to squeeze the fruit to see if it's fresh. I don't want my peaches to arrive all mushy."  
"They wouldn't be mushy if people like you didn't go around squeezing them," said my partner. "Anyway, don't buy fruit online, if you don't want. Buy the other stuff."

2 "No," I said, stubborn as an old man in a checkout queue querying the price of a can of tuna. "I like to see what I'm buying."  
"Do you honestly think it makes a difference to shake the washing powder? What do you think? Some boxes are lighter than others?"  
"You never know," I said evasively. I don't like it when she uses logic against me. "Anyway, living online is inhuman. One of the joys of shopping is interacting with other people."  
She stared incredulously. "Since when do you interact with other people?" she demanded. "Swearing doesn't count as interaction."  
"If people don't want to be sworn at, they shouldn't just stop in the middle of the aisle," I muttered under my breath.

3 I'll show her, I thought that afternoon, as I pushed my trolley into my local store. She doesn't know me as well as she thinks she does.  
I breezed down the aisles, smiling like a preacher and dispensing "good afternoons" in every direction. It turns out this is an excellent way to clear space in a crowded store. People edged away; mothers pulled their children closer to their sides. This is great, I thought. This is the best shopping experience I've ever had.

4 I was in the aisle with the toilet rolls, reaching out my hand towards the merchandise, when I heard a hearty "Hello!"  
I froze. Of all people to bump into, the casual acquaintances are the worst. You can ignore good friends and strangers, but casuals demand small-talk. As she jabbered, I felt her eyes lightly scan my trolley for clues to my personality. I brazened it out. There's nothing you can know about me from three bars of chocolate and a packet of spaghetti. But then...

5 "Don't let me hold you up from your shopping," she said. I looked at my hand, still frozen in mid-stretch for the toilet rolls.  
She waited expectantly. This was a dilemma. If I were to reach for the luxury quilted three-ply she'd think, *What a princess! Who does he think he is? Is he stocking the bathrooms at Nkandla?*

Also, I don't like three-ply. I think it's over-rated and ineffective, and lacking in traction. In some situations it's possible to have too much luxury.

But I couldn't reach for the one-ply either. One-ply isn't toilet paper, it's a cry for help. She would look at me with pity and contempt and think, *Why doesn't he love himself? If he doesn't love himself, how can he expect anyone else to love him?*

But two-ply? How pedestrian! How middle of the road! I don't want her to sit at her book clubs or dinner parties saying, "Oh, you know Darrel? I thought he was quite interesting but then I discovered he's just a two-ply kind of guy."

I don't want anyone to know I'm a two-ply kind of guy. In fact, I don't want anyone to know I use toilet paper at all! These are private matters!

I arrived home and my partner looked in puzzlement at the packet containing three bars of chocolate and a packet of spaghetti.

- 6 "Where's all the rest of the shopping?" she said.  
"I'll get it now," I said, turning on the computer.

## **QUESTIONS**

### **Refer to paragraph 1**

- 1.1 Explain why the author doesn't like shopping online. (1)

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- 1.2 What is it about online shopping that the author does not like? Quote to support your answer. (2)

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### **Refer to paragraph 2**

- 1.3.1 What figure of speech is used in the first line of paragraph 2? (1)

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- 1.3.2 What two things are being compared in this figure of speech? (2)

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- 1.4 What word in paragraph 2 means: “to answer questions in a way that avoids the question, generally because you don’t want to be honest.” (1)

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- 1.5 Why does the author refer to online shopping as “inhuman”. **Answer in your own words.** (1)

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- 1.6 According to the author’s partner, what doesn’t count as interaction? (1)

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**Refer to paragraph 3**

- 1.7 What is a good way to clear space in a crowded store? **Answer in your own words.** (2)

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**Refer to paragraph 4**

- 1.8 What was the author about to put into his trolley when he was greeted? (1)

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- 1.9 What is a casual acquaintance? (1)

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- 1.10 Why was the casual acquaintance scanning the author’s trolley? **Use your own words.** (2)

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**Refer to paragraph 5**

- 1.11 What do the different types of toilet paper imply about the shopper? **Use your own words.** (3)

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- 1.12 Why doesn't the author want anyone to know what type of toilet paper he uses? (1)

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**Refer to paragraph 6**

- 1.13 How did the author buy the rest of his groceries? (1)

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**TEXT B**

Credit: Pinterest/Cheezburger/24 Unfortunate Online Shopping Fails

**Refer to Text B**

- 1.14 What item was bought online? (1)

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1.15.1 What is wrong with the purchase? (1)

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1.15.2 How do we know this? (1)

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**Refer to Text A and Text B**

1.16 Explain the link between Text B and paragraph 1 of Text A. (2)

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**SECTION B: SUMMARY****QUESTION 2**

Read the passage (TEXT B) below and summarise it in **SEVEN POINTS**.

**INSTRUCTIONS:**

- Your summary should include **7 points** and NOT exceed **70-80 words**.
- Your summary must be in a well-written **paragraph**.
- You are NOT required to include a title for your summary.
- Indicate an accurate **word count** clearly at the end of your summary.

**TEXT C****ONLINE SHOPPING**

1 In this modern era, technology is designed to help people live better lives. One of the most beneficial technologies is online shopping. There are many reasons why online shopping is the best option compared to conventional shopping.

2 Firstly, online shopping is convenient. Where can you shop, even at midnight in your pajamas? Online shopping allows a person to shop at any time and from any place, allowing shoppers freedom from shop operating hours. It isn't even necessary to travel to a store.

3 Online shopping means products are delivered to your door. This is so helpful for people without transport or who are sick in bed at home.

4 Online shopping saves time. It isn't even necessary to queue at the counter when purchasing online. Shopping takes just minutes and it is easy to find the item we want by using keywords to search for the product instead of walking around a shop to find the item we want.

5 Besides, we can get better prices when shopping online. The cheap deals obtained from online stores are because the products come directly from the manufacturer or seller without a middleman. Products from all over the world can be bought through online shopping.

6 Online shopping also offers a variety of products and choices for consumers. While looking for a product, shoppers can search different brands produced by different manufacturers. Many products can be bought from just one online store without having to go to many stores to compare a specific product.

7 Last but not least, online shopping is the new, innovative way to find what you need easily and conveniently. It opens up channels to buy any products from anywhere in the world, really making true the statement, "It is a global world we live in".

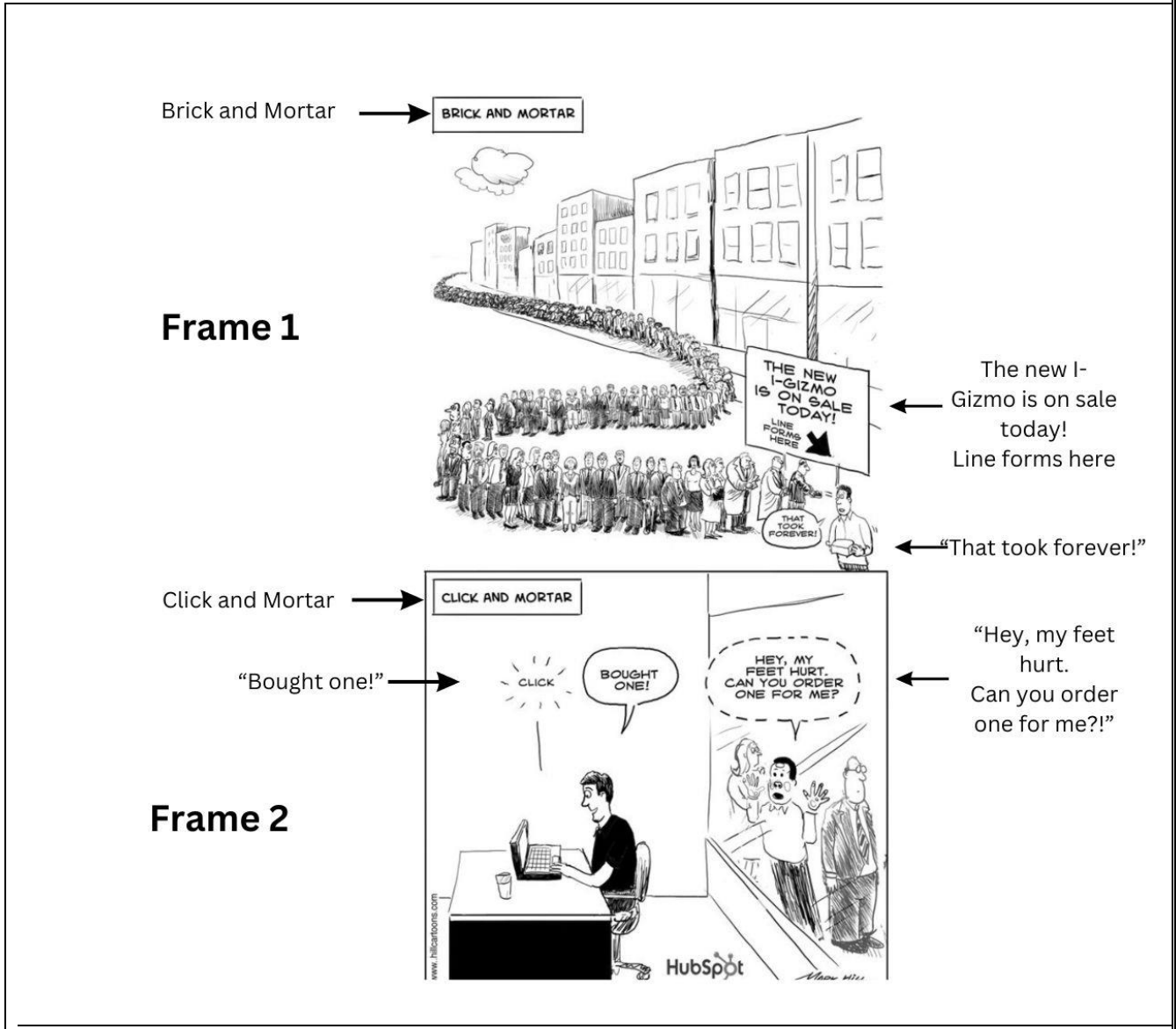
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**SECTION C: VISUAL LITERACY**

**QUESTION 3: ANALYSING CARTOONS**

**TEXT D**



Adapted from Pinterest (Hubspot/Brick and Mortar)

3.1 Why is there such a long queue in frame 1? (2)

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3.2 In frame 2, what has the man who is sitting down at the computer just done? (1)

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3.3 Refer to frame 2: Give a visual and textual clue that shows us that the man is on a computer. (2)

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3.4 Explain the pun in the title of each frame: “Brick and Mortar” and “Click and Mortar”. (2)

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**QUESTION 4: ANALYSING ADVERTISEMENTS**

**TEXT E**

Groceries from Chicago's favourite Artisans. Now they come to you.

GROCERIES FROM CHICAGO'S FAVORITE ARTISANS. NOW THEY COME TO YOU.  
*Shop online for hand-cut meats, farm fresh produce and more at artizone.com*

Shop online for hand-cut meats, farm fresh produce and more at artizone.com

Enter code 'CHICKEN' at checkout for 20% OFF your first order.

Artizone Local flavour, delivered

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**Refer to Text E**

4.1 What is the advert advertising? (2)

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4.2 In what city does Artizone operate? (1)

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4.3 What can you order from Artizone? (2)

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4.4 What happens if you enter the word ‘Chicken’ when you place your first order? (1)

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4.5 Give two visual clues that show that Artizone delivers your order. (2)

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TOTAL = 15

**SECTION D: LANGUAGE STRUCTURES****Study the texts below and answer the questions.****TEXT F**

## Teenagers and Online Shopping

- 1 In the wild realm of online shopping, teenagers roam like savvy explorers  
 armed with nothing but their smartphones and an insatiable appetite for  
 deals. With the precision of a ninja, they navigate through a jungle of  
 5 discounted sneakers, dodging pop-up ads like they're on a mission to save  
 the world from spam overload. Armed with only their parents' credit cards  
 (shhh, don't tell), they embark on epic quests for the perfect outfit, only to  
 end up with three more hoodies they didn't know they needed and a pair of  
 9 neon socks that could double as traffic cones. Ah, the joys of virtual treasure  
 hunting in the modern age.

*Adapted from Chat GPT***Refer to Text F:**

- 5.1 Identify the following parts of speech:

		<b>Answer</b>	
5.1.1	Online (line 1)		(1)
5.1.2	Roam (line 1)		(1)
5.1.3	Insatiable (line 2)		(1)
5.1.4	Embark (line 6)		(1)
5.1.5	Their (line 5)		(1)

- 5.2 Identify the following punctuation marks and state their function:

- 5.2.1 Pop-up (line 4) (2)

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- 5.2.2 They're (line 4) (2)

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5.3 Give a synonym for the word 'virtual' in line 8: (1)

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5.4 Give an antonym for the word 'wild' in line 1: (1)

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5.5 Change the following sentence into indirect speech: (3)

“Look at the gorgeous dress I bought on Shein today!” Jane said to Emily.

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5.6 Change the form of the word:

5.6.1 Change the word 'explorers' into a verb. (1)

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5.6.2 Change the word 'navigate' to a noun. (1)

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5.7 Identify the type of sentence and explain why.

The human brain never stops working until you stand up to speak in public. (3)

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5.8 Identify whether the following sentence is written in the active or passive voice:

A faster computer is being designed by a team of experts. (1)

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TOTAL = 20

**GRAND TOTAL: 70 MARKS**