

HILLCREST HIGH SCHOOL



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ENGLISH HOME LANGUAGE

GRADE 9

PAPER 3

Time: 2 hours

Marks: 40

Examiner: Miss S. Ramsout

Moderator: Mrs N. Atkinson

N.B. This question paper consists of 6 pages

INSTRUCTIONS AND INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES

READ THESE INSTRUCTIONS CAREFULLY BEFORE ANSWERING THE QUESTIONS

1. This question paper consists of TWO sections:

SECTION A: Essay (20 marks)

SECTION B: Transactional Writing (2 x 10 - 20 marks)

2. Follow the instructions at the beginning of each section carefully.
3. You are required to write ONE essay and TWO transactionals.

Recommended time allocation:

Essay: 1 hour

Transactional: 1 hour (2 x 30 minutes)

4. Number your answers correctly according to the numbering system used in this question paper.
5. Start EACH section on a NEW page.
6. Write neatly and legibly.

SECTION A: ESSAY

QUESTION 1

Write a narrative OR descriptive essay of 250 – 300 words (1 – 2 pages) on ONE of the following topics. Write down the NUMBER and TITLE/HEADING of your essay.

1.1. Experiencing a new city for the first time. [20]

OR

1.2. The April Fool's joke that went horribly wrong. [20]

OR

1.3. Helping others is the best way to help yourself. [20]

OR

1.4. The old abandoned house across the street [20]

OR

1.5. "No act of kindness, no matter how small, is ever wasted." Aesop [20]

1.6. The following pictures may evoke a reaction or feeling in you or stir your imagination.

Select ONE picture and write an essay in response. Write the question number (1.6.1 OR 1.6.2) of your choice and give your essay a title.

NOTE: There must be a clear link between your essay and the picture you have chosen.

1.6.1



<http://feelgrafix.com/1001389-crossroads.html>

[20]

OR

1.6.2.



<http://themisadventuresofjenn.com/>

[20]

SUB-TOTAL: SECTION A: 20 MARKS

SECTION B: TRANSACTIONAL TEXTS

QUESTION 2

- Respond to TWO of the following topics.
- The BODY of your answer should be 180 – 200 words (20 – 25 lines) in length.
- Pay careful attention to the following:
 - Audience, register, tone and style
 - Choice of words and language structure
 - Format
- Write down the NUMBER and TITLE/HEADING of the text you have chosen, e.g. 2.1.
Formal letter

2.1. Formal Letter:

You are part of a group of students that would like to bring a new club/society/activity to Hillcrest High. Your task is to write a letter to Mr Girvin in which you present all the necessary information and request his approval. [10]

OR

2.2. Dialogue

You recently attended a party at the well-known Oyster Box Hotel in Durban. You were very impressed with the entire evening. You decide to phone the event organizer and speak to him/her about organising an event for you. Write the dialogue between you and the organiser.

You took a picture of the venue to help you with ideas.



<http://finishingtouches-durban.blogspot.co.za>

OR

2.3. Speech:

You have been asked to deliver a speech to the current grade 8 students. Grade 9 is a very important year and so the grade controllers would like you to share your experiences with the grade 8s so that they are better prepared for next year.

Focus on lessons you have learned, advice you wish you had received in grade 8 and some advice on choosing subjects for grade 10. [10]

OR

2.4. Magazine Article:

You have been asked to write an article for a teen magazine titled: *“Achieving Your Dreams Means Never Giving Up.”*

You will include the following picture to support your message. [10]



<https://za.pinterest.com/pin/114349278013059597/>

OR

2.5. Advertisement.

You are designing an advertisement for this pair of “Beats” headphones. You will use the image below.

Your task is to write ONLY THE TEXT that will accompany this picture.



<https://www.cnet.com/products/beats-studio-wireless-series/>

SUB-TOTAL: SECTION B: 2 X 10 = 20 MARKS

GRAND TOTAL = 40 MARKS