

HILLCREST HIGH SCHOOL



OCTOBER 2017

ENGLISH HOME LANGUAGE

GRADE 10

PAPER 3 (WRITING)

Time: 3 hours  
Examiner: Mr R Neale

Marks: 100  
Moderator: Mrs N Atkinson

NB: This question paper consists of 7 pages

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

1. This question paper consists of TWO sections:  
**Section A:** Creative Writing **50 marks** (+ 90 minutes)  
**Section B:** Transactional Texts  $2 \times 25 = 50$  marks (2 x + 45 minutes)
2. You are required to answer ONE question from Section A and TWO questions from Section B.
3. Draw a 2 cm margin on the right-hand side of each page of your answer booklet.
4. Write your English teacher's name on your answer booklet.

### **INSTRUCTIONS AND INFORMATION**

1. This question paper consists of TWO sections:  
SECTION A: Essay (50)  
SECTION B: Transactional Texts: 2 x 25 (50)
2. Answer ONE question from SECTION A and TWO questions from SECTION B.
3. You must plan (e.g. a mind map/diagram/flow chart/key words etc.), edit and proofread your work. The plan must appear BEFORE the answer.
4. All planning must be clearly indicated as such. It is advisable to draw a line through all planning.
5. You are strongly advised to spend approximately:
  - 90 minutes on SECTION A
  - 90 minutes on SECTION B
6. Number each response as the topics are numbered in the question paper.
7. The title/heading must NOT be considered when doing a word count.
8. Write neatly and legibly.
9. Spelling and grammar count.

**SECTION A: ESSAY**

**Question 1**

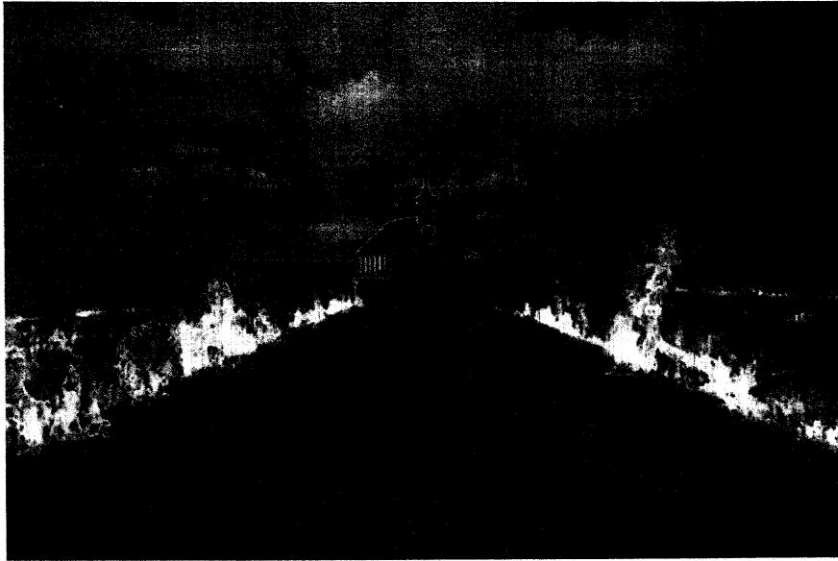
Write an essay of between 300– 350 words (1½ to 2 pages) on ONE of the following topics below (1.1 – 1.8):

The following will be assessed:

- Content and planning (50%)
- Language and Editing (25%)
- Structure (25%)

- 1.1 The final whistle blew. [50]  
OR
- 1.2 Her parents were out. [50]  
OR
- 1.3 Undisclosed desires. [50]  
OR
- 1.4 Before the war. [50]  
OR
- 1.5 ‘When we are no longer able to change a situation, we are challenged to change ourselves.’ Viktore Frankl [50]  
OR
- 1.6 His fist shattered the mirror. [50]  
OR
- 1.7 ‘Parting is such sweet sorrow.’ William Shakespeare. [50]  
OR
- 1.8 Study the following visuals and if one of them inspires you, write an essay on it. There must be a clear link between your essay and the visual you have chosen. [50]

1.8.1



OR

1.8.2



OR

1.8.3



[TOTAL SECTION A: 50 MARKS]

**SECTION B**

**Question 2**

- Respond to **TWO** of the following topics.
- The body of your answer should be 180 – 200 words (20 – 25 lines).
- 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. INFORMAL LETTER**

You had a terrible argument with a close friend. Write a letter to your friend in which you try to make amends.

[25]

**OR**

**2.2 FORMAL LETTER**

It has been decided that at the final assembly, a special prize will be given to a teacher who has gone above and beyond the call of duty. Write a letter to Mr Girvin, nominating a teacher whom you think would be a worthy recipient.

[25]

**OR**

**2.3 DIALOGUE**

You believe a close friend of yours may be shoplifting. Write a dialogue in which you tentatively raise the topic with him or her.

[25]

**OR**

**2.4 NEWSPAPER ARTICLE**

You have recently been impacted by a particular work of art (this may be anything from a painting, to a film, to a novel). Write an article for Hillcrest High School's local paper, *The Kingfisher Gazette*, in which you discuss the artwork and its impact on you.

[25]

OR

**2.5 OBITUARY**

You recently lost a friend in an accident. Write an obituary for 'The Highway Mail'.

[25]

OR

**2.6 SPEECH**

It is your father's 50th birthday and he has asked you to give a speech in his honour. Write a speech in which you mention some of his virtues and touch on some of your favourite memories that you have with him.

[25]

[TOTAL SECTION B: 50 MARKS]

**TOTAL: 100 MARKS**