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## **SENIOR CERTIFICATE EXAMINATIONS/ NATIONAL SENIOR CERTIFICATE EXAMINATIONS**

**ENGLISH HOME LANGUAGE P3**

**2023**

**MARKS: 100**

**TIME: 3 hours**

**This question paper consists of 7 pages.**

## 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 in SECTION A and TWO questions in SECTION B.
3. Write in the language in which you are being assessed.
4. Start EACH section on a NEW page.
5. You must plan (e.g. using a mind map/diagram/flow chart/key words), edit and proofread your work. The plan must appear BEFORE the answer.
6. All planning must be clearly indicated as such. It is advisable to draw a line through all planning.
7. You are strongly advised to spend your time as follows:  
  
SECTION A: approximately 100 minutes  
SECTION B: approximately 80 (2 x 40) minutes
8. Number the answers correctly according to the numbering system used in this question paper.
9. The title/heading must NOT be included when doing a word count.
10. Write neatly and legibly.

**SECTION A: ESSAY****QUESTION 1**

Write an essay of 400–450 words (2–2½ pages) on ONE of the following topics. Write down the NUMBER and TITLE/HEADING of your essay.

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|-----|--|------|
| 1.1 | The story of my street   | [50] |
| 1.2 | In the face of adversity, it is easier to do nothing.  | [50] |
| 1.3 | 'I am the master of my fate,<br>I am the captain of my soul.'  |      |
|     | – WE Henley  | [50] |
| 1.4 | It was not the way he pulled his hoodie up as he walked through the gate; it was the clenched fist and the wrinkled forehead that let me in on that terrible secret. | [50] |
| 1.5 | 'A lie will fly around the world while the truth is still getting its boots on.'   |      |
|     | – Unknown  | [50] |

The pictures reproduced on pages 4 and 5 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, 1.7 OR 1.8) 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



[Source: [nytimes.com](http://nytimes.com)]

[50]

1.7



[Source: [istockphoto.com](http://istockphoto.com)]

[50]

1.8



[Source: [abcnews.geo.com](http://abcnews.geo.com)]

[50]

**TOTAL SECTION A:**

**50**



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

- Respond to TWO of the following topics.
- The body of each of your answers 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 DIALOGUE.

**2.1 DIALOGUE**

[Source: [nytimes.com](http://nytimes.com)]

Examine the picture of teenagers at an art gallery above.

Write the dialogue that takes place between the youngsters closest to the painting.

**[25]**

**2.2 E-MAIL**

You are a local artist/performer who has been offered a position to study at an international institution. You are unable to accept this opportunity due to a lack of funds.

Write an e-mail to applicant@gofundme.co.za, in which you appeal for financial assistance.

**[25]****2.3 NEWSPAPER ARTICLE**

The number of homeless people in your community has increased over the past two years.

Write a newspaper article for publication in a local newspaper, titled HOMELESSNESS ... A SOCIETAL CRISIS.

**[25]****2.4 FORMAL LETTER**

As the captain of a provincial sports club, you have received a complaint from the manager of a stadium about the poor behaviour of your players at a recent tournament.

Write a formal letter to the manager, in which you address this complaint.

**[25]****2.5 SPEECH**

The Senior Citizens' Group is critical of the youth in the community, as the members claim that the youth have forgotten their culture and are being duped by modern values.

As a young person in the community, you have been invited by the chairperson of the Senior Citizens' Group to speak to its members about this issue.

Write the speech which you will present.

**[25]****2.6 FORMAL REPORT**

As the spokesperson of an environmental society, you have been requested to submit a formal report on the impact of pollution in your area.

Write the formal report which you will submit.

**[25]**

**TOTAL SECTION B: 50**  
**GRAND TOTAL: 100**