CHIEF DIRECTORATE – CURRICULUM MANAGEMENT

GRADE 12 LEARNER SUPPORT PROGRAMME

REVISION AND REMEDIAL TEACHING INSTRUMENT: QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

SUBJECT: ENGLISH FIRST ADDITIONAL LANGUAGE – THIRD PAPER

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This document consists of 10 pages.

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INFORMATION AND INSTRUCTIONS

1. There are THREE sections in this question paper: SECTION A, SECTION B and SECTION C.

   SECTION A: Creative writing (50 marks)
   SECTION B: Longer transactional texts (30 marks)
   SECTION C: Shorter transactional texts (20 marks)

   Answer ONE question from each section.

2. Read the questions carefully.

3. Start EACH question on a NEW page.

4. Write neatly and legibly.

5. Pay attention to spelling, sentence construction and language.

6. Number the answers correctly according to the numbering system used in this question paper.

7. It should be clear from each of the final texts that you have planned, proof-read and edited your work.
SECTION A: CREATIVE WRITING

• Spend approximately 60 minutes on this section

• Number the question you have chosen exactly as it appears in the question paper.

• Supply a suitable title for your essay or rewrite the title given.

• Your essay should be 250 – 300 words long. Write the number of words used in brackets at the end of your essay.

• It should be evident from the final text that you have planned, proof-read and edited your work.
QUESTION 1

Write an essay of 250 – 300 words (approximately 1½ – 2 pages) on ONE of the following topics.

- Spend approximately 60 minutes on this section.
- Write down the number and title of your essay correctly.
- It should be evident from the final text that you have planned, proof-read and edited your work.

1.1 We live in a society in which our cultural traditions are being destroyed.

Write an essay in which you give your opinion on this statement. Refer to specific traditions which you think have been affected. [50]

OR

1.2 South Africans often speak of ubuntu (tolerance, sensitivity and respect for others), but it is seldom seen being put into practice.

Discuss this statement in a well-sustained essay. [50]

OR

1.3 MXIT – FRIEND OR FOE?

Write an essay in which you discuss the advantages and disadvantages or either of the two of Mxit. [50]
1.4 Write a reflective essay in which you explore your own feelings and opinions about what it means to be a young adult in post-apartheid South Africa. [50]

OR

1.5 Write an essay in which you discuss whether the institution of marriage is still relevant in the 21st century, given: the high divorce-rate; the large number of unmarried couples living together and any other factors you wish to discuss. [50]

OR

1.6 MY FIRST ATTEMPT AT …

Choose ONE of the following options:

- driving a car;
- playing soccer/rugby/netball/hockey/skydiving/bungee-jumping or any other sport;
- delivering a speech in front of an audience;
- cooking a meal;
- babysitting.

Your description of this experience could be humorous; disastrous; successful; exciting; frightening. [50]

OR
1.7 Parents and teenagers sometimes do not see eye-to-eye on a number of issues.

Write an essay in which you, as a teenager, provide advice to your parents on how to improve parent-teenager relationships. Refer to specific issues or areas which you feel are a source of discord or misunderstanding between you and your parent(s).
SECTION B: LONGER TRANSACTIONAL TEXTS

- Spend approximately 45 minutes on this section.
- Answer only ONE question from this section.
- Number the question you have chosen exactly as it appears in the question paper.
- Write down the heading of the text you have chosen.
- Your answer should be 120 – 150 words (approximately 12 – 15 lines) in length. Write the number of words used in brackets at the end of your text.
- It should be evident from the final text that you have planned, proof-read and edited your work.

QUESTION 2

2.1 DIALOGUE

You have not seen or heard from your brother/sister for the past five years. In dialogue form, write the conversation you have when you meet for the first time after that long period of separation.

[30]

OR
2.2 **INFORMAL LETTER**

Write a letter to your favourite celebrity congratulating him/her on an award that he/she has recently received. Mention what you admire about him/her and how he/she has influenced you.

2.3 **SCHOOL MAGAZINE ARTICLE**

Violence and bullying seem to be on the increase at many South African schools.

Write an article for your school magazine in which you suggest alternative methods and provide hints on how to solve arguments and quarrels among learners without resorting to violent behaviour.

**TOTAL SECTION B: 30**
SECTION C: SHORTER TRANSACTIONAL TEXTS

- Spend approximately 30 minutes on this section.
- Answer only ONE question from this section.
- Number the question you have chosen exactly as it appears in the question paper.
- Write down the heading of the text you have chosen.
- Your text should be 80 – 120 words (approximately 8 – 12 lines) in length. Write the number of words used at the end of your text.
- It should be evident from the final text that you have planned, proof-read and edited your work.

QUESTION 3

3.1 FLYER

You and a group of friends want to earn extra money by selling a range of health products

Design a flyer advertising the health products you are selling. Include the following information: the name and type of products; a short persuasive description of the benefits of the products; your contact details; any other relevant information you wish to include.

[20] OR
3.2 DIARY ENTRY

One of your best friends has passed away unexpectedly.
Write a diary entry reflecting your feelings/emotions on this tragic event. [20]

OR

3.3 INSTRUCTIONS

Write out your favourite recipe for one of the following: scones; muffins; a cake; bread; or any other dish you favour.

Provide a list of ingredients and the instructions on how to make your chosen dish. [20]

TOTAL SECTION C: 20
GRAND TOTAL: 100