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**DIRECTORATE SENIOR CURRICULUM MANAGEMENT
 (SEN-FET)**

HOME SCHOOLING SELF-STUDY WORKSHEET

MEMORANDUM

SUBJECT	English HL		
GRADE <i>(Please tick)</i>	GRADE 10	GRADE 11	GRADE 12
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DATE	14/04/2020		
TOPIC	Creative Writing: Drafting and Beginning		

TASK A

	OPENING PARAGRAPH	ASPECTS	
1	<p>She was born two years before me, and by virtue of birth became my leader. As our parents had no more children after my birth, it meant that I had Aisha's full attention, and I was her dedicated follower in every sense of the word.</p> <p>(Timwa Lipenga, <i>Swimming Partners</i>)</p>	CHARACTERS	ACTION
		SETTING	QUESTIONS
		IDEAS / THEMES	
2	<p>This is true. When I was twelve I was horrid. When I was thirteen I was even worse. In fact things didn't get much better until I was about sixteen. When I was sixteen something happened, but I can't tell you about that. Not yet.</p> <p>(Jeremy Strong, <i>Let Me Kiss You Better</i>)</p>	CHARACTERS	ACTION
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3	<p>“The name is Smith, George Smith, teacher by profession and South African Breweries supporter by choice,” our new Maths teacher introduced himself. He was small but had a booming voice. Across the road the old church clock echoed the hour as if to emphasise that it was the beginning of a new school year <i>and</i> the first Maths period.</p> <p>(Patrick Waldo Davids, <i>Wings for Bulbie</i>)</p>	CHARACTERS	ACTION
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4	<p>Half-asleep, a young boy staggered from one of the newly erected shacks at Boekenhoutfontein, carrying a baby in one arm.</p> <p>(Johnny Masilela, <i>Baba Mfundisi the clergyman</i>)</p>	CHARACTERS	ACTION
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5	<p>You would have thought that the past three years had never happened, the way my sister Khadija breezed into the family shop and stood beaming at me, radiating that glow that comes from knowing someone is surprised and overjoyed to see you.</p> <p>(Agnes Sam, <i>A Bag of Sweets</i>)</p>	CHARACTERS	ACTION
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6	<p>I hate high school. Really, I do. And I haven't been there a week but already I can't wait until I get out.</p> <p>(Namhla Tshisana, <i>Class Act</i>)</p>	CHARACTERS	ACTION
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7	<p>Marley was dead, to begin with. There is no doubt whatever about that. The register of his burial was signed by the clergyman, the clerk, the undertaker, and the chief mourner. Scrooge signed it. And Scrooge's name was good upon 'Change for anything he chose to put his hand to. Old Marley was as dead as a doornail.</p> <p>(Charles Dickens, <i>A Christmas Carol</i>)</p>	CHARACTERS	ACTION
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8	<p>When he was nearly thirteen, my brother Jem got his arm badly broken at the elbow. When it healed, and Jem's fears of never being able to play football were assuaged, he was seldom self-conscious about his</p>	CHARACTERS	ACTION
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	<p>injury. His left arm was somewhat shorter than his right; when he stood or walked, the back of his hand was at right angles to his body, his thumb parallel to his thigh. He couldn't have cared less, so long as he could pass and punt.</p> <p>(Harper Lee, <i>To Kill a Mockingbird</i>)</p>	IDEAS / THEMES	
9	<p>Once when I was six years old I saw a magnificent picture in a book, called True Stories from Nature, about the primeval forest. It was a picture of a boa constrictor in the act of swallowing an animal. Here is a copy of the drawing.</p> <p>(Antoine de Saint-Exupéry, <i>The Little Prince</i>)</p>	CHARACTERS	ACTION
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10	<p>Dear God. My name is Oscar, I am ten years old, and I set fire to the bloody cat, the dog, the house (I even think I fried the goldfish) and this is the first letter I've ever written to you because, up til now, I didn't have time because of school.</p> <p>(Eric-Emmanuel Schmitt, <i>Oscar and the Lady in Pink</i>)</p>	CHARACTERS	ACTION
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11	<p>My earliest memories are a confusion of hilly fields and dark, damp stables, and rats that scampered along the beams above my head. But I remember well enough the day of the horse sale. The terror of it stayed with me all my life.</p> <p>(Michael Morpurgo, <i>War Horse</i>)</p>	CHARACTERS	ACTION
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12	<p>"Yes," said Tom bluntly on opening the front door. "What d'you want?"</p> <p>(Michelle Magorian, <i>Goodnight Mister Tom</i>)</p>	CHARACTERS	ACTION
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13	<p>As the family lay sleeping, soldiers kicked down the front door of the house and entered, waving their rifles around erratically and shouting at the top of their voices. Alem ran into the room where his parents were, to find that they had been dragged out of bed dressed only in their</p>	CHARACTERS	ACTION
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	<p>nightclothes, and forced to stand facing the wall.</p> <p>(Benjamin Zephaniah, <i>Refugee Boy</i>)</p>								
14	<p>There is no lake at Camp Green Lake. There was once a very large lake here, the largest lake in Texas. That was over a hundred years ago. Now it is just a dry, flat wasteland.</p> <p>(Louis Sachar, <i>Holes</i>)</p>	<table border="1"> <tr> <td>CHARACTERS</td> <td>ACTION</td> </tr> <tr> <td>SETTING</td> <td>QUESTIONS</td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="2">IDEAS / THEMES</td> </tr> </table>	CHARACTERS	ACTION	SETTING	QUESTIONS	IDEAS / THEMES		
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15	<p>I sit in the yard of my friend Noki's house, a blanket pulled tightly around my shoulders. It's dark but soon it will be dawn and Noki's uncle will come in the taxi to fetch us. We will be on the move again looking for a safer place to stay in another township. Smoke from the shack fires is still thick in the air. I know there must be stars shining brightly in the darkness above the smoke, but I can't see them. I know that nothing will be the same again, but I don't know what the future holds. Everything is different after the fire. I am different. It's not about something you see, like a new hairstyle or growing taller. It's something inside. Something that began to change the day I met Mandla.</p> <p>(Rosamund Haden, <i>Finders Keepers</i>)</p>	<table border="1"> <tr> <td>CHARACTERS</td> <td>ACTION</td> </tr> <tr> <td>SETTING</td> <td>QUESTIONS</td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="2">IDEAS / THEMES</td> </tr> </table>	CHARACTERS	ACTION	SETTING	QUESTIONS	IDEAS / THEMES		
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17	<p>A man flails in the breakers, thrashing the sea with windmill arms. "Monster!" he shouts.</p> <p>(Edyth Bulbring, <i>The Mark</i>)</p>	<table border="1"> <tr> <td>CHARACTERS</td> <td>ACTION</td> </tr> <tr> <td>SETTING</td> <td>QUESTIONS</td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="2">IDEAS / THEMES</td> </tr> </table>	CHARACTERS	ACTION	SETTING	QUESTIONS	IDEAS / THEMES		
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	<p>breeze, and in her mind she could hear their faint rustling.</p> <p>(Sembene Ousmane, <i>Her Three Days</i>)</p>								
19	<p>“The good child who willingly goes on errands eats the food of peace.” This was a favourite saying in the house. Maami, Aunt Efua, Aunt Araba ... oh, they all said it, especially when they had prepared something delicious like cocoyam porridge and seasoned beef. You know how it is.</p> <p>(Ama Ata Aidoo, <i>The Late Bud</i>)</p>	<table border="1"> <tr> <td>CHARACTERS</td> <td>ACTION</td> </tr> <tr> <td>SETTING</td> <td>QUESTIONS</td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="2">IDEAS / THEMES</td> </tr> </table>	CHARACTERS	ACTION	SETTING	QUESTIONS	IDEAS / THEMES		
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20	<p>“Benjamin, is this your report card?” my mother asked as she picked up the folded white card from the table.</p> <p>(Ben Carson, <i>Think Big</i>)</p>	<table border="1"> <tr> <td>CHARACTERS</td> <td>ACTION</td> </tr> <tr> <td>SETTING</td> <td>QUESTIONS</td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="2">IDEAS / THEMES</td> </tr> </table>	CHARACTERS	ACTION	SETTING	QUESTIONS	IDEAS / THEMES		
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TASK B

Accept any valid Opening Paragraph with ONE predominant aspect.

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