

# 2020 SADC SECONDARY SCHOOL ESSAY COMPETITION

## 1. ELIGIBILITY:

All secondary school going students from all 16 SADC Member States are welcome to participate in the Competition.

## 2. TOPIC:

The topic for the 2020 SADC Secondary School Essay Competition is "How can a conducive environment for Industrial development and intra-regional trade, create jobs for SADC citizens?"

Discuss how a conducive environment for Industrial development and intra-regional trade, create jobs for SADC citizens.







#### 3. MARKING GUIDELINES:

The set of questions below are meant to guide entrants when responding to the question above. In answering the question above, secondary school learners should ensure that they address the questions listed below in their essays;

- Definition of Industrial development and how it can contribute to meaningful attainment of regional economic development and growth, as well as enhancement of the standard and quality of life of the peoples of Southern Africa (20 points)
- Discuss the measures that SADC Member States should put in place to create conducive environment for Industrial development and increased intra-regional trade. (20 points)
- 3. Discuss how SADC Member States can tap into its rich natural resources to grow its Industry, improve trade as well as create jobs for its citizens, and what you perceive as stumbling blocks to industrialize within the region. (20 points)
- 4. Discuss the prerequisite skills and knowledge needed by the youthful population of the region in taking meaningful lead in industrial development and trade taking into consideration challenges which have hindered SADC Member States to significantly achieve development in the past.
  (20 points).





#### 4. PRIZE MONEY:

The SADC Secretariat has allocated a sum of US \$ 1000 as prize money for the national winners of the competition in each Member State. The prize money will be divided as follows:

- US \$ 500 for the first prize
- US \$ 300 for the second prize
- US \$ 200 for the third prize

Each candidate will receive the equivalent of the prize money in South African Rands. The three national winning essays will be forwarded to the SADC Secretariat for consideration in the regional competition.

## 5. ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA:

- Applicants must reside in South Africa,
- Applicants must be currently attending secondary school,
- Essays must not be more than 1200 words but not less than 1000 (Ariel 1.5 line spacing for typed essays),
- Submissions must be the unaided work of applicants,
- Submissions should be in English,
- The name of entrants should be the same as those that appear on the Identification Document (ID) or Passport,
- Applicants must be willing and fit to travel.

## 6. TO SUBMIT AN ENTRY:

Learners should forward their essays to a coordinator in their Province by 28 March 2020. Kindly contact the relevant coordinator for more information.







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