



# basic education

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Basic Education  
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## **NATIONAL SENIOR CERTIFICATE**

**GRADE 12**

**ENGLISH HOME LANGUAGE P3**

**NOVEMBER 2024**

**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. ...

- 1.1 A pen, a notebook and the sunrise [50]
- 1.2 Artificial intelligence (AI) is a threat. [50]
- 1.3 'When two elephants fight, it is the grass that suffers.'  
– African proverb [50]
- 1.4 It wasn't a 'bang' – but with a quiet 'click', the door closed. [50]
- 1.5 'I see trees of green  
Red roses too  
I see them bloom  
For me and you  
And I think to myself  
What a wonderful world.'  
– *What a Wonderful World* by Louis Armstrong [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: [unsplash.com](https://unsplash.com)]

[50]

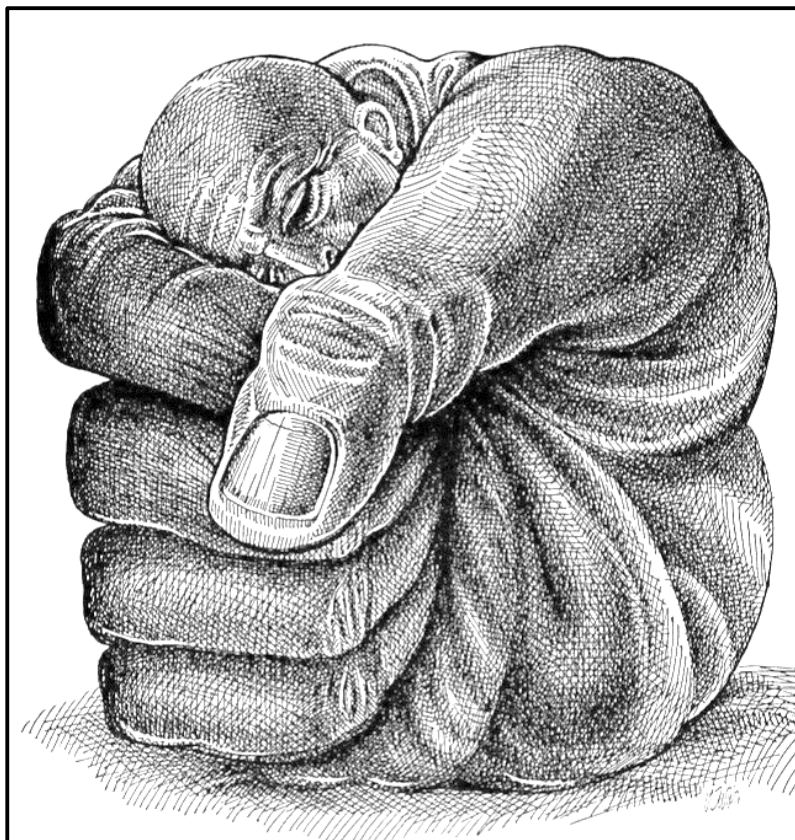
1.7



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[50]

1.8



[Source: [pinterest.com](https://www.pinterest.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 the TITLE/HEADING of the text you have chosen, e.g. 2.1 INTERVIEW.

**2.1 INTERVIEW**

As a human rights activist, you believe that young people should play a significant role in combatting gender inequalities in society.

Write the interview that takes place between you and a local radio presenter on the topic.

**[25]****2.2 BOOK REVIEW**

You have recently read a book that has had a profound impact on the way in which you view the world.

Write a review of the book.

**[25]****2.3 LETTER TO THE PRESS**

The United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organisation (UNESCO) recently called for a global ban on smartphones in schools.

Write a letter to the editor in which you express your views.

**[25]****2.4 INFORMAL SPEECH**

The sports club to which you belong has seen a dramatic increase in vaping<sup>1</sup>. You have decided to express your views on this issue at the monthly meeting.


Write the speech that you will present to the members of the sports club.

**Glossary:**

<sup>1</sup>vaping: smoking/inhaling vapour containing nicotine and/or flavouring

**[25]**

2.5 **E-MAIL**

<b>POSITION VACANT</b>	<b>SEEKING A SUPERSTAR WAITRON</b>  Panino Steakhouse is seeking an energetic, passionate and outgoing waitron to join our vibrant team.
<b>HOW TO APPLY</b> 	If you think that you fit the bill, send an e-mail to: <a href="mailto:paninosteakhouse@panino.com">paninosteakhouse@panino.com</a>

[Adapted from [pinterest.com](https://pinterest.com)]

You are interested in applying for the position advertised above. Provide clear motivation for your inclusion in the team.

Write the e-mail.

**[25]**2.6 **MAGAZINE ARTICLE**

Many people believe that wealth and material possessions will bring them happiness.

Write an article for a health magazine, *Holistic Health*, in which you explore this topic.

**[25]**

<b>TOTAL SECTION B:</b>	<b>50</b>
<b>GRAND TOTAL:</b>	<b>100</b>