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Department:  
Education  
**REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA**

**NATIONAL  
SENIOR CERTIFICATE**

**GRADE 10**

**ENGLISH HOME LANGUAGE P3**

**EXEMPLAR PAPER - 2006**

**MARKS: 100**

**TIME: 3 hours**

**This question paper consists of 10 pages.**

**GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS**

1. Start each section on a NEW page.
2. Write neatly and legibly.
3. Pay attention to spelling, sentence construction and language.

**CHOICE OF ANSWERS**

1. This question paper consists of FOUR sections:

SECTION A: Creative Writing (50 marks)

SECTION B: Longer Transactional Texts (30 marks)

SECTION C: Shorter Transactional Texts (10 marks)

SECTION D: Reference/Informational/Visual and Multi-media Texts (10 marks)

2. Candidates are required to answer ONE question from EACH section.

3. THE WRITING PROCESS

3.1 There must be clear evidence that you have planned, proofread and edited your work.

3.2 Use ONE or more of the following ways of planning:

- \* Brainstorming
- \* Writing down the main points
- \* Mind-mapping
- \* Clustering of ideas
- \* A planning method of your choice

**SECTION A: CREATIVE WRITING****INSTRUCTIONS**

- \* Write an essay on ONE of the following topics.
- \* Your essay should be between 400 - 450 words.
- \* You are required to show ALL aspects of the writing process: planning, writing, proofreading and editing.

**TOPICS**

1. Adults have their problems ... teenagers have theirs.
  
2. Write a short story that begins with the following words: *Once upon a time there lived a beautiful, young girl and her handsome brother. Although they were poor, they were happy, for their needs were simple. But one day ...*

3. Write your response to this poet's observation:

*If flowers want to grow  
Right out of the concrete sidewalk cracks  
I'm going to bend down to smell them*

David Ignatow

4. That sweet, brief moment ...
  
5. Freedom to be who I am and do what I want.

6. The pictures reproduced below may evoke a reaction or feeling in you, or stir your imagination. Select ONE and write an essay in response.

6.1



OR

6.2



**TOTAL SECTION A: 50**

**SECTION B: LONGER TRANSACTIONAL TEXTS****INSTRUCTIONS**

- \* Respond to ONE of the following topics.
- \* Your answer should be 180 - 200 words.
- \* Pay careful attention to:
  - Audience, register, tone and style
  - Choice of words and language structures
  - Format
  - You are required to show ALL aspects of the writing process: planning, writing, proofreading and editing

NOTE: 10 marks will be awarded for planning and 20 for the completed text.

**TOPICS**

1. At school you were assigned a project on Tourism. As representative of your group, you have been given the task of writing to the national Department of Tourism, requesting information and pamphlets about possible tourist attractions in your province.

You are required to explain what it is you need to know and also why you need the information.

Write to: The Chief Executive Officer, Private Bag 110, Cape Town, 8000.

2. Your school has recently enjoyed a sport or cultural event at which competitors were able to show off their skill and talent.

You have been asked to write an article for the local newspaper or your school magazine, describing the events that took place.

3. You enjoy watching TV. You have been asked to write a review of your favourite programme. This will be read to the class as part of a group project on 'The Media'.

Use the ideas below to guide you, but do not use them as sub-headings:

- \* Name of the programme
- \* Time it is broadcast
- \* Brief explanation of what the programme is about
- \* Reasons why you enjoy this particular programme

4. Write a tactful letter to the mother of your friend apologising for the disastrous events that occurred the day you and your friend were assigned to do her shopping.

**TOTAL SECTION B: 30**

**SECTION C: SHORTER TRANSACTIONAL TEXTS****INSTRUCTIONS**

- \* Respond to ONE of the following topics.
- \* The word length given after each question should be used as a guide only and the length of each answer must be determined by the requirements of the question.
- \* Pay careful attention to:
  - Audience, register, tone and style
  - Choice of words and language structures
  - Format
  - You are required to show ALL aspects of the writing process: planning, writing, proofreading and editing

**NOTE:** THREE marks will be awarded for planning and SEVEN for the completed text.

**TOPICS**

1. Write the contents of a thank-you card to show your appreciation to the manager of the business concern who sponsored your club/team, in which you detail how much his/her generosity has meant to you.  
Your answer should be 30 – 50 words.

2. A teacher has asked you to deliver a vote of thanks to a guest speaker who has been invited to address your school on a topic of current interest. This will be done at the conclusion of his speech.

Write the speech containing the vote of thanks. Your answer should be 30 – 50 words.

3. Your baby brother/sister is turning four. You are in charge of planning the party that is to be held to celebrate this event. You have friends who will be helping you on the afternoon.

Write careful instructions for each of the three friends. Include any preparations they might have to undertake before the event (e.g. buying and blowing up balloons). Also explain what their duties will be on the afternoon. Your answer should be 40 – 60 words.

**TOTAL SECTION C: 10**

**SECTION D: REFERENCE/INFORMATIONAL/VISUAL AND MULTI-MEDIA TEXTS****INSTRUCTIONS**

- \* Respond to ONE of the following topics.
- \* The word length given after each question should be used as a guide only and the length of each answer must be determined by the requirements of the question.
- \* Pay careful attention to:
  - Audience, register, tone and style
  - Choice of words and language structures
  - Format
  - You are required to show ALL aspects of the writing process: planning, writing, proofreading and editing

**NOTE:** THREE marks will be awarded for planning and SEVEN for the completed text.

**TOPICS**

1. You have to stay late at school in order to do some research for an assignment due for the following day. Thus, you need to inform your parent/guardian that you will only return home later in the afternoon.

Write the note that you will ask your friend to drop off at your home. Your answer should be 20 – 40 words.

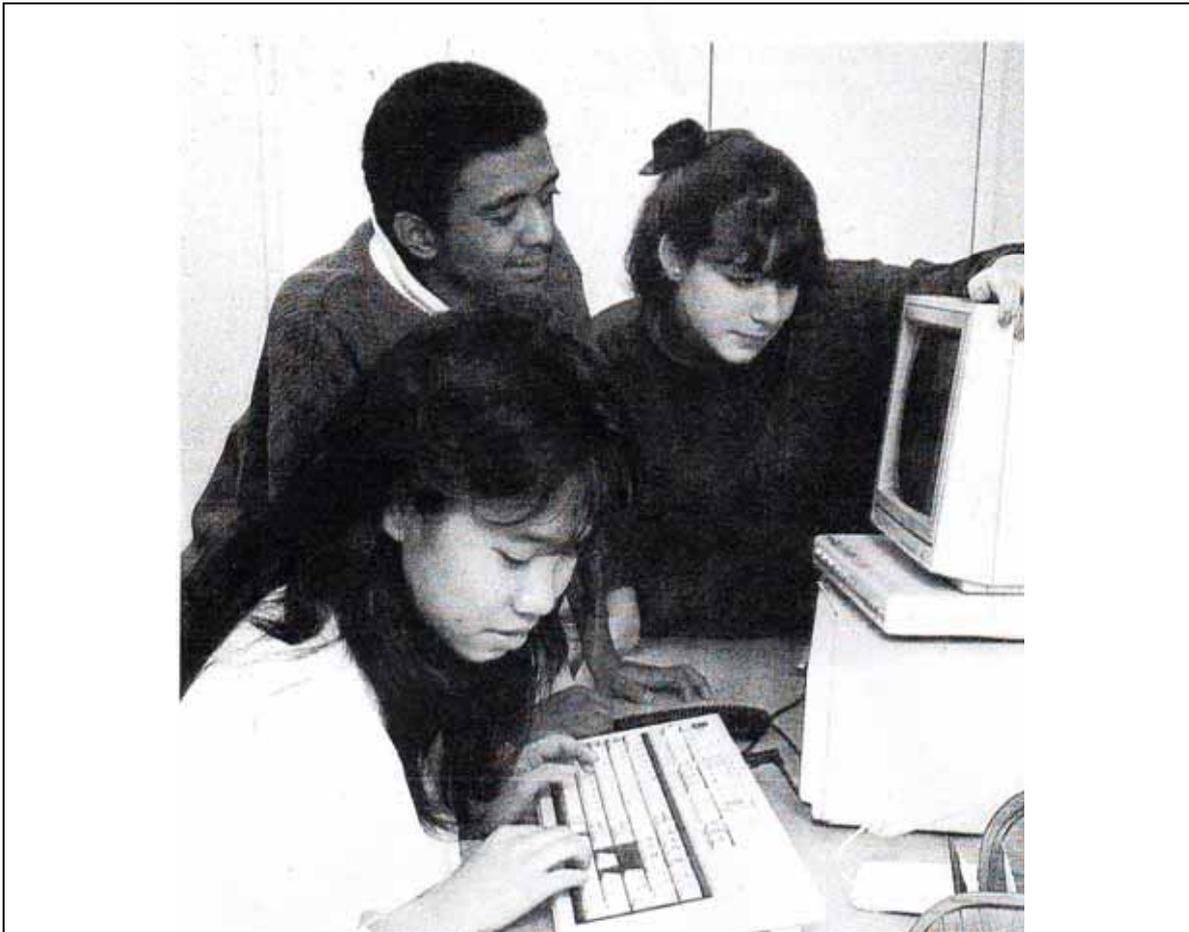
2. Your school is planning to have a Fun Day. This will consist of stalls, selling various items (including food), as well as people who will be performing (including a local band). There will also be sporting events.

Compose a flyer, advertising this occasion. Remember to include the venue, time and date. Your answer should be 20 – 40 words.

3. Study the picture below.

You have been asked to create an advertisement, using this picture. The aim of the advertisement is to encourage young people to use computers and become computer literate.

Write the text (wording) that will accompany the picture. Make the advertisement as appealing as possible to your target audience. Your answer should be 20 – 30 words.



**TOTAL SECTION D: 10**

**GRAND TOTAL: 100**