



# basic education

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Basic Education  
**REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA**

## **SENIOR CERTIFICATE EXAMINATIONS/ NATIONAL SENIOR CERTIFICATE EXAMINATIONS**

**ENGLISH FIRST ADDITIONAL LANGUAGE P3**

**2023**

**MARKS: 100**

**TIME: 2½ hours**

**This question paper consists of 6 pages.**

**INSTRUCTIONS AND INFORMATION**

1. This question paper consists of THREE SECTIONS:  

SECTION A: Essay	(50)
SECTION B: Longer Transactional Text	(30)
SECTION C: Shorter Transactional Text	(20)
2. Answer ONE question from EACH section.
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 each text.
6. All planning must be clearly indicated as such and handed in. It is advisable to draw a line through all planning.
7. You are strongly advised to spend approximately:
  - 80 minutes on SECTION A
  - 40 minutes on SECTION B
  - 30 minutes on SECTION C
8. Number the answers correctly according to the numbering system used in this question paper.
9. Give each response a suitable title/heading, where required.
10. Do NOT consider the title/heading when doing a word count.
11. Write neatly and legibly.

**SECTION A: ESSAY****QUESTION 1**

- Write an essay of between 250 and 300 words in length on ONE of the following topics.
- Write down the NUMBER and TITLE of the essay you have chosen correctly, e.g. 1.1 A special moment.
- Give your own title if your choice is QUESTION 1.6, 1.7 OR 1.8.
- Spend approximately 80 minutes on this section.

- 1.1 A special moment [50]
- 1.2 Life is a journey. [50]
- 1.3 A day without my cellphone [50]
- 1.4 Sometimes no response is the best response. [50]
- 1.5 'You are only on this planet to be you.' – Oprah Winfrey [50]

Choose ONE of the following pictures and write an essay on a topic that comes to mind. Write the question number (1.6, 1.7 OR 1.8) and give your essay a suitable title.

**NOTE:** There must be a clear link between your essay and the picture you have chosen.

1.6



[Source: [www.google.images.com](http://www.google.images.com)]

[50]

1.7



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1.8



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[50]

**TOTAL SECTION A: 50**

**SECTION B: LONGER TRANSACTIONAL TEXT****QUESTION 2**

- Respond to ONE of the following longer transactional writing texts.
- The body of your response should be between 120 and 150 words in length.
- Write down the NUMBER and the HEADING of the text you have chosen, e.g. 2.1 FORMAL LETTER.
- Pay particular attention to format, language and register.
- Spend approximately 40 minutes on this section.

**2.1 FORMAL LETTER**

The area in which you live has been experiencing heavy flooding. You have not been able to attend extra classes for a few days.

Write a letter to your tutor, explaining your situation.

**[30]****2.2 REVIEW**

A new film featuring your favourite actor/actress has just been released. As a well-known film fan, you have been asked to write a review for a popular entertainment website.

Write the review.

**[30]****2.3 NEWSPAPER ARTICLE**

You received excellent service at a local clinic during a recent visit. You would like to share your positive experience with the public.

Write an article that will be published in your local newspaper.

**[30]****2.4 INTERVIEW**

You want to do voluntary work at a school in your area. The principal of the school would like to know more about you and the skills that you are able to offer. He/She has invited you for an interview.

Write the interview.

**NOTE:** Use the dialogue format.

**[30]****TOTAL SECTION B: 30**

**SECTION C: SHORTER TRANSACTIONAL TEXT****QUESTION 3**

- Choose ONE of the following topics and write a short transactional text.
- The body of your response should be between 80 and 100 words in length.
- Write down the NUMBER and the HEADING of the text you have chosen, e.g. 3.1 DIARY ENTRIES.
- Spend approximately 30 minutes on this section.

**3.1 DIARY ENTRIES**

A friend, whom you met online, has visited your home during the holidays. You had mixed emotions about this visit and you decided to write your feelings in your diary.

Write TWO diary entries. The first entry must indicate how you felt BEFORE your friend's visit and the second entry must express how you felt AFTER your friend's visit.

**[20]****3.2 FLYER**

You have a small business that sells hand-made products. In order to promote your business and products, you have decided to hand out flyers.

Write the content of the flyer.

**NOTE:** Do NOT include illustrations or drawings.

**[20]****3.3 INSTRUCTIONS**

Some parents in your community have asked you to help their children with their schoolwork. During the first session, you will provide these children with instructions on how to study effectively.

Write the list of instructions.

**[20]**

**TOTAL SECTION C: 20**  
**GRAND TOTAL: 100**