This question paper consists of 8 pages.
INSTRUCTIONS AND INFORMATION

1. This question paper consists of TWO sections:

   SECTION A: Essay  (50 marks)
   SECTION B: Transactional texts  (50 marks)

2. Answer ONE question from SECTION A and TWO from 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. a mind map/diagram/flow chart/key words, etc.), edit and proofread your work. The planning must appear BEFORE the answer.

6. All planning must be clearly indicated as such. It is advisable to draw a line across all planning.

7. You are strongly advised to spend approximately:

   - 80 minutes on SECTION A
   - 70 minutes on SECTION B

8. Number each response correctly according to the numbering system used in this question paper.

9. Give each response a suitable title/heading, as indicated by the question.

   NOTE: The title/heading must NOT be considered when doing a word count.

10. Write neatly and legibly.
SECTION A: ESSAY

QUESTION 1

Write an essay of 350–400 words (2–2½ pages) on ONE of the following topics. Write the number of the topic you have chosen.

1.1 Gifts

OR

1.2 “Don’t tell me the sky’s the limit when there are footprints on the moon.”
       [Paul Brandt]

OR

1.3 “Pause, you who read this and think for a moment of the long chain of iron or gold, of thorns or flowers, that would never have bound you, but for the formation of the first link on one memorable day.”
       [Charles Dickens – Great Expectations]

OR

1.4 Special delivery

OR

1.5 “Never blame any day in your life. Good days give you happiness, bad days give you experience, and the worst days give you a lesson.”
       [Morgan Leigh]

OR

1.6

“DON’T BE DELICATE BE VAST AND BRILLIANT”

[Shinedown]
1.7 The pictures reproduced below may evoke a feeling in you, stir your imagination or evoke another response.

- Select ONE picture and write an essay in response.
- Write the question number of your choice (1.7.1 or 1.7.2) and give your essay a title.
- There must be a clear link between your essay and the picture you have chosen.

1.7.1

[Source: L. Knickelbein]

OR
1.7.2

[Source: Google images] [50]

TOTAL SECTION A: 50
SECTION B: LONGER TRANSACTIONAL TEXT

QUESTION 2

• Respond to TWO of the following topics.
• The body of EACH answer should be 180–200 words (20–25 lines).
• Pay careful attention to the following:
  - content and planning
  - audience, register, tone, language and style
  - structure, format and editing

2.1 LETTER TO THE PRESS

The following extract is adapted from a newspaper article that appeared in the *Daily Dispatch*:

**DOG SHOT AND BEHEADED**

A 17-year-old girl was left traumatised after her pet dog was shot and decapitated while she was studying for her exams. Alexis Daniel heard a gunshot outside her house and when she went to investigate, she saw the head of her dog, Scotty, stuck in a water drainage hole in the border wall between the house and a neighbour’s property …

Write a letter to the newspaper in reaction to this article. [25]

OR

2.2 MAGAZINE ARTICLE

‘If there were just one word I would use to describe a successful person, that word would be attitude.’

This is the first sentence to an article you have been instructed to write for your school magazine.

Continue the article. Provide a title. [25]

OR
2.3 LETTER OF CONGRATULATIONS

The following is adapted from a magazine article that appeared in the YOU magazine in December 2013:

**TEACHING'S IT GUY**

Teaching wasn’t his first choice of career. Fortunately for many South African learners, Mmipe Mokgehle followed the path his parents wanted for him. Mmipe has been chosen as the winner of the Teachers for Change initiative. This teacher and deputy principal has helped more than 20,000 children in his province gain access to better information and communications technology (ICT). He organised for 49 schools in his district to receive computers and printers.

A colleague entered Mmipe into the competition. “Mr Mokgehle is a hard worker. He contributed a lot to the development of the school’s ICT department. He deserves the prize.”

Write a letter to Mr Mokgehle in which you congratulate him on his achievement.

**OR**

2.4 DIALOGUE

You and your friend have read the following quote:

“The more you think you are worth it, the more you will make it. It’s as simple as that.”

[Source: adapted from Fairlady, June 2011]

Discuss your opinions. Write the dialogue in which you and your friend give your opinion of the validity of this statement.

**OR**

2.5 SPEECH

“Pity the poor in spirit who know neither the enchantment nor the beauty of language.”

[Source: Muriel Barbery – *The elegance of the hedgehog*]

Your English teacher has asked you to deliver a speech to the school in which you motivate them to read.

**OR**
2.6 REVIEW

SA MUSIC OPEN-AIR FESTIVAL

Music fans are in for a treat as ten, yes TEN, of South Africa’s favourite bands and recording artists perform at the SA Open-Air Music Festival in October. If it’s quality you are after, you cannot go wrong! Come and be part of one of the year’s best musical events. Book now to avoid disappointment!

You were fortunate enough to attend the music festival. Write the review for your school magazine. [25]

TOTAL SECTION B: 50
GRAND TOTAL: 100