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**NATIONAL  
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**GRADE 12**

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**ENGLISH HOME LANGUAGE P3**

**MARKS: 100**

**TIME: 3 hours**

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This question paper consists of 11 pages.

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## 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 from SECTION A and TWO questions 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. use 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 to spend your time as follows:  
  
SECTION A: approximately 100 minutes  
SECTION B: approximately 80 minutes (2 x 40 minutes)
8. Number the answers 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 400–450 words (2–2½ pages) on ONE of the following topics.
- Write down the NUMBER and TITLE/HEADING of your essay.

1.1 ‘The cake of forgiveness gets smaller every time you eat a slice.’

[Amber Fossey] **[50]**

1.2 “It’s better to walk alone than follow a crowd going in the wrong direction.”

[Herman Siu] **[50]**

1.3 ‘We do not inherit the earth from our ancestors, we borrow it from our children ...’

[Source: [www.pinterest.com](http://www.pinterest.com)] **[50]**

1.4 The following words should appear during the course of your essay:  
A final warning.

**[50]**

1.5 “Summertime. It was a song. It was a season. I wondered if that season would ever live inside of me.”

[Benjamin Alire Saenz] **[50]**

The pictures reproduced on pages 4 and 5 may evoke some reaction or feeling in you or stir your imagination.

- Select ONE picture and write an essay in response.
- Provide your essay with a suitable title.
- Write the question number (1.6, 1.7 OR 1.8) of your choice.

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

1.6



[Source:[www.pinterest.com](http://www.pinterest.com)]

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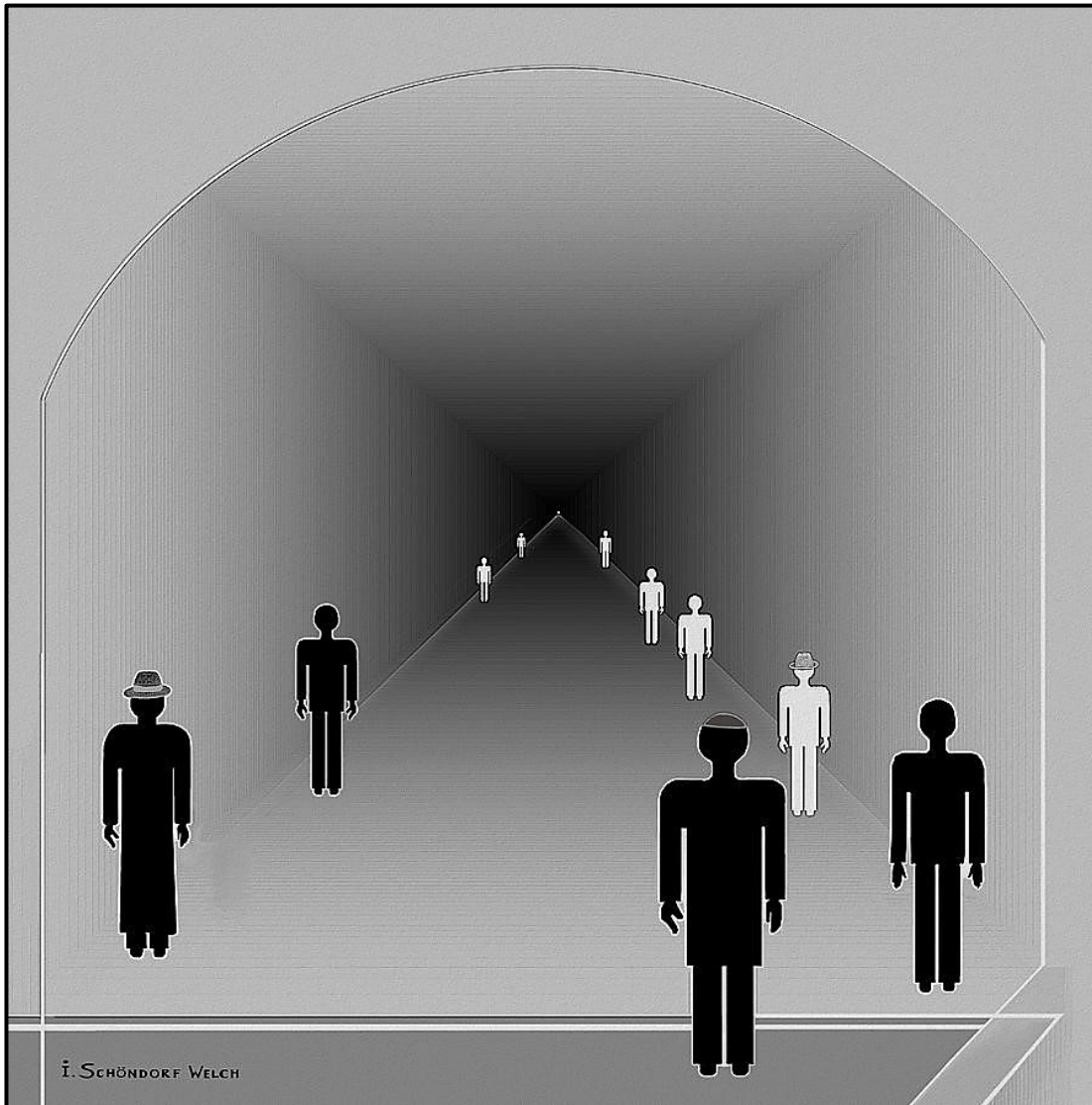
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[Source: <https://www.agefotostock.com>]

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1.8



[Source: [www.webdesignerdepot.com](http://www.webdesignerdepot.com)] [50]

**TOTAL SECTION A: 50**

## SECTION B: TRANSACTIONAL TEXTS

### QUESTION 2

- Respond to TWO of the following topics.
- The body of EACH answer should be 180–200 words (20–25 lines) in length.
- Pay careful attention to the following:
  - Content and planning
  - Audience, register, tone and style
  - Choice of words and language structure
  - Format, structure and editing
- Write down the NUMBER and the TITLE/HEADING of the text you have chosen, for example 2.1 Dialogue.

#### 2.1 DIALOGUE



Your best friend is adamant about getting a tattoo in the December holidays. Your friend's father/mother/guardian has asked you to offer advice to your best friend. Write out the conversation.

[25]



## 2.2 MAGAZINE ARTICLE



World Mental Health Day is celebrated annually but the impact of mental health issues on the youth is underestimated. Mental health issues such as depression, anxiety and panic attacks are not really understood. Write an article for a school magazine in which you try to raise awareness on mental issues afflicting the youth of today.

[25]

## 2.3 REPORT

Yet another school bullying video is doing the rounds on social media. Your principal has asked you as the RCL leader to investigate the causes of bullying at school and provide suggestions on how to rid the playground of this scourge.

[25]

## 2.4 OBITUARY

A much loved and charismatic ward councillor in your community has passed away tragically. The inspiration and advice received from this individual had a huge impact on the lives of the learners at your school. Write his/her obituary.

[25]

## 2.5 CURRICULUM VITAE AND COVERING LETTER

A newly opened coffee shop in a trendy mall is looking for waitrons.

Are you an ENTHUSIASTIC, ENERGETIC AND EFFERVESCENT young person looking for a part-time position for the December holidays?

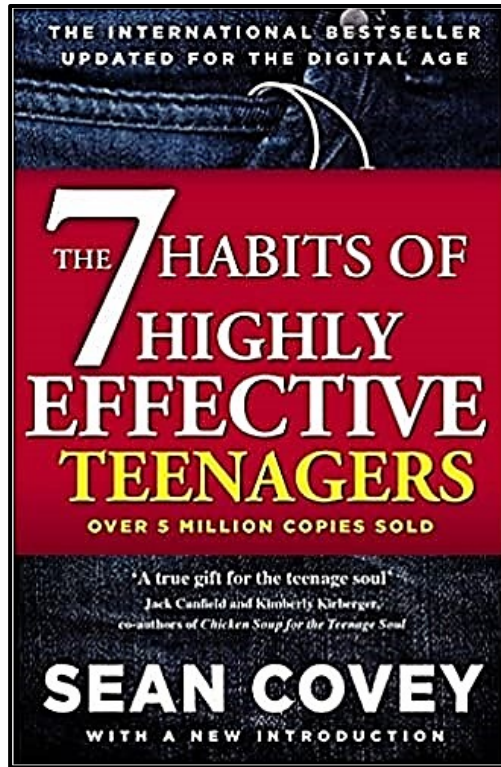
THEN THIS IS IDEAL FOR YOU.



Compile an appropriate CV and write the covering letter that will accompany it to apply for the job.

**[25]**

## 2.6 INFORMAL SPEECH



[Source: [www.goodreads.com](http://www.goodreads.com)]

You have read the above book from your school library. Your English teacher has asked you to prepare an informal speech for the Grade 11 learners so that they can cope with the demands of the Grade 12 academic year.

[25]

**TOTAL SECTION B: 50**  
**GRAND TOTAL: 100**