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**ENGLISH HOME LANGUAGE P3  
MEMORANDUM**

**MARKS: 30**

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This memorandum consists of 5 pages.

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**INSTRUCTIONS AND INFORMATION**

SECTION A: CREATIVE TEXT

SECTION B: TRANSACTIONAL TEXT

**Instructions to Markers:**

Candidates are required to write on ONE topic only per SECTION.

- Full credit must be given for the candidate's own interpretation.
- Marking must be objective. Give credit for relevant ideas.
- Use the assessment rubrics to mark the WRITING TEXTS.

The texts produced by candidates must be assessed according to the following criteria as set out in the assessment rubric:

Content, Language construction, Length, Format and Planning

**NOTE:**

- No additional penalties may be imposed as the rubric itself imposes penalties.
- If a candidate exceeds the word limit, read up to TEN words above the upper limit and ignore the rest.

## SECTION A: QUESTION 1

## RUBRIC ESSAY

20 MARKS

CREATIVE WRITING: DESCRIPTIVE TEXT				
	5-6	3-4	2	0-1
<b>CONTENT</b> (Response; organisation of ideas; awareness of purpose)  <b>6 MARKS</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Complete adherence to the topic.</li> <li>Intelligent, thought –provoking and mature ideas.</li> <li>Exceptionally well organised (introduction, body and conclusion/ ending) detailed and coherent.</li> <li>Excellent development of topic.</li> <li>Outstanding achievement of purpose.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Adheres to the topic with minor deviations.</li> <li>Ideas are reasonably coherent and convincing.</li> <li>Essay is organised (introduction, body and conclusion/ending) and coherent.</li> <li>Logical development of topic.</li> <li>Purpose achieved.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Some adherence to the topic.</li> <li>Able to express some ideas clearly.</li> <li>Essay shows little evidence of organisation (introduction, body and conclusion/ ending).and coherence</li> <li>Essay makes some sense.</li> <li>Partial achievement of purpose</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Completely off the topic.</li> <li>Not able to express ideas clearly/ ideas are repetitive.</li> <li>No evidence of organisation (introduction, body and conclusion/ ending).and coherence</li> <li>Muddled handling of topic/ essay does not make sense.</li> <li>Purpose not achieved.</li> </ul>
<b>LANGUAGE STRUCTURE &amp; CONVENTIONS</b> (Sentence structure; register, style,tone; word choice; language use spelling and punctuation)  <b>5 MARKS</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Effective and correct sentence structure</li> <li>Register, style, tone highly appropriate to the purpose and context of the essay</li> <li>Effective use of wide range of vocabulary linked to the topic</li> <li>Correct language usage, spelling and punctuation</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Correct sentence structure</li> <li>Register, style, tone appropriate to the purpose and context of the essay</li> <li>Fairly wide range of vocabulary linked to the topic</li> <li>Few errors in language usage, spelling and punctuation</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Some errors in sentence structure</li> <li>Register, style, tone inappropriate for the purpose and context of the essay</li> <li>Adequate vocabulary linked to the topic</li> <li>A large number of errors in language usage, spelling and punctuation.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Poor sentence structure</li> <li>Register, style, tone completely inappropriate for the purpose and context of the essay.</li> <li>Limited vocabulary linked to the topic</li> <li>Language usage, spelling and punctuation seriously flawed.</li> </ul>
	<b>2</b>		<b>0-1</b>	
<b>PLANNING</b> <b>2 MARKS</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Mind map/ planning tool used effectively</li> <li>Details in planning tool reflected in final text.</li> <li>Shows understanding of the purpose of planning tool.</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Mind map/ planning tool used partly or not at all</li> <li>Details from planning tool does not appear in final text/ Some details appear</li> <li>Unclear/ no skill of using the planning tool.</li> </ul>	
	<b>2</b>		<b>0-1</b>	
<b>LENGTH</b> <b>2 MARKS</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Essay does not exceed 150 words in length</li> <li>Essay is 140-150 words in length</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Essay is exceptionally short (less than 50 words in length.) /</li> <li>Essay is too long (exceeds 250 words in length.)</li> </ul>	
	<b>4-5</b>	<b>2-3</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>FORMAT/ FEATURES</b> <b>5 MARKS</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Variety of descriptive words, e.g. adjectives &amp; adverbs,</li> <li>Effective usage of figures of speech, e.g. similes, metaphors.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A few descriptive words</li> <li>Displays some knowledge/ attempt of figures of speech</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Very little / no descriptive words</li> <li>No figures of speech used.</li> </ul>	No sentences written
<b>TOTAL MARKS</b>	<b>20</b>			

## SECTION B: QUESTION 2

## RUBRIC: FRIENDLY LETTER (2.1/ 2.2)

10 MARKS

CRITERIA	MARK ALLOCATION			
	4-5	3	2	0-1
<b>CONTENT</b> (Response; organisation of ideas; awareness of purpose)  <b>5 MARKS</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Complete adherence to the topic.</li> <li>Outstanding response beyond the normal expectations of the features of the transactional text type.</li> <li>Exceptional development of content.</li> <li>Writing contains exceptional detail added to the text.</li> <li>Outstanding achievement of purpose.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Adheres to the topic with minor deviations.</li> <li>Adequate response demonstrating knowledge of the features of the transactional text type.</li> <li>Content stays on the topic.</li> <li>Details support the topic.</li> <li>Purpose achieved.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Some adherence to the topic.</li> <li>Basic response demonstrating some knowledge of the features of the transactional text type</li> <li>Some focus but some of the content is off the topic.</li> <li>Few details support the topic.</li> <li>Partial achievement of purpose.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Completely off the topic.</li> <li>Response reveals no knowledge of the features of the transactional text - type</li> <li>Not able to express ideas clearly/ ideas are repetitive.</li> <li>Details do not support the topic.</li> <li>Purpose not achieved.</li> </ul>
<b>LANGUAGE CONSTRUCTION</b> (Sentence structure; register, style, tone; word choice; language use, spelling and punctuation)  <b>5 MARKS</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Effective and correct sentence structure.</li> <li>Register, style, tone highly appropriate to the purpose and context of the type of transactional text.</li> <li>Exceptional use of appropriate vocabulary linked to the topic.</li> <li>Correct language usage, spelling and punctuation.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Correct sentence structure.</li> <li>Register, style, tone appropriate to the purpose and context of the type of transactional text.</li> <li>Appropriate vocabulary linked to the topic.</li> <li>Few errors in language usage, spelling and punctuation.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Some errors in sentence structure.</li> <li>Register, style, tone inappropriate for the purpose and context of the type of transactional text.</li> <li>Limited use of appropriate vocabulary linked to the topic.</li> <li>A large number of errors in language usage, spelling and punctuation.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Poor sentence structure.</li> <li>Register, style, tone completely inappropriate for the purpose and context of the type of transactional text.</li> <li>Vocabulary is not appropriate for the topic</li> <li>Language usage, spelling and punctuation seriously flawed.</li> </ul>
	<b>2</b>		<b>0-1</b>	
<b>PLANNING</b> <b>2 MARKS</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Evidence of planning</li> <li>Planning relevant to topic</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Some evidence of planning</li> <li>Planning not done/ merely re-written text</li> </ul>	
	<b>3</b>		<b>2</b>	<b>0-1</b>
<b>LENGTH</b>  <b>3 MARKS</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Response is 100- 120 words in length.</li> <li>Response does not exceed 120 words and is not less than 100.</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Response is too short; 90 words in length).</li> <li>Response is too long (130 words in length).</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Response is exceptionally short (less than 90 words in length).</li> <li>Response is too long (exceeds 130 words in length)</li> </ul>
<b>FORMAT/ FEATURES</b> <b>5 MARKS</b>	<b>4-5</b> <b>Letter format:</b> At first glance, must give the impression of a letter. (There must be a salutation, introduction, body and a conclusion.) <b>Address</b> correctly placed and complete with date <b>Salutation:</b> correctly placed No punctuation Line left before and after salutation <b>Conclusion:</b> Correct position relevant to the instruction friend. no punctuation in the conclusion	<b>2-3</b> <b>Letter format:</b> At first glance, must give the impression of a letter. One of the features of the letter omitted.	<b>0-1</b> Letter format not adhered to. Features distorted and incorrect.	
<b>TOTAL: 20 ÷ 2 = 10</b>				

## RUBRIC: DIALOGUE (2.2)

CRITERIA	MARK ALLOCATION			
	4-5	3	2	0-1
<b>CONTENT</b> (Response; organisation of ideas; awareness of purpose)  <b>5 MARKS</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Complete adherence to the topic.</li> <li>Outstanding response beyond the normal expectations of the features of the transactional text type.</li> <li>Exceptional development of content.</li> <li>Writing contains exceptional detail added to the text.</li> <li>Outstanding achievement of purpose.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Adheres to the topic with minor deviations.</li> <li>Adequate response demonstrating knowledge of the features of the transactional text type.</li> <li>Content stays on the topic.</li> <li>Details support the topic.</li> <li>Purpose achieved.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Some adherence to the topic.</li> <li>Basic response demonstrating some knowledge of the features of the transactional text type</li> <li>Some focus but some of the content is off the topic.</li> <li>Few details support the topic.</li> <li>Partial achievement of purpose.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Completely off the topic.</li> <li>Response reveals no knowledge of the features of the transactional text -type</li> <li>Not able to express ideas clearly/ ideas are repetitive.</li> <li>Details do not support the topic.</li> <li>Purpose not achieved.</li> </ul>
<b>LANGUAGE STRUCTURE &amp; CONVENTIONS</b> (Sentence structure; register, style, tone; word choice; language use, spelling and punctuation)  <b>5 MARKS</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Effective and correct sentence structure.</li> <li>Register, style, tone highly appropriate to the purpose and context of the type of transactional text.</li> <li>Exceptional use of appropriate vocabulary linked to the topic.</li> <li>Correct language usage, spelling and punctuation.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Correct sentence structure.</li> <li>Register, style, tone appropriate to the purpose and context of the type of transactional text.</li> <li>Appropriate vocabulary linked to the topic.</li> <li>Few errors in language usage, spelling and punctuation.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Some errors in sentence structure.</li> <li>Register, style, tone inappropriate for the purpose and context of the type of transactional text.</li> <li>Limited use of appropriate vocabulary linked to the topic.</li> <li>Many errors in language usage, spelling and punctuation.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Poor sentence structure.</li> <li>Register, style, tone completely inappropriate for the purpose and context of the type of transactional text.</li> <li>Vocabulary is not appropriate for the topic</li> <li>Language usage, spelling and punctuation seriously flawed.</li> </ul>
<b>PLANNING</b> <b>2 MARKS</b>	2		0-1	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Evidence of planning</li> <li>Planning relevant to topic</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Some evidence of planning</li> <li>Planning not done/ merely re-written text</li> </ul>	
<b>LENGTH</b>  <b>3 MARKS</b>	3		2	0-1
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Response is 60 - 80 words in length.</li> <li>Response does not exceed 80 words AND is not less than 60 words.</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Response is too short 40-49 words in length).</li> <li>Response is too long; 91/more words in length).</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Response is exceptionally short (less than 40 words in length).</li> <li>Response is too long (exceeds 100 words in length).</li> </ul>
<b>FORMAT/ FEATURES</b> <b>5 MARKS</b>	4-5	2-3	0-1	
	Appropriate and accurate format Each speaker on a new line A colon after every speaker's name No inverted commas	Appropriate format with minor inaccuracies Each speaker on a new line A colon after every speaker's name No inverted commas	Necessary rules of format vaguely applied.  Some inverted commas appear	
<b>TOTAL: 20 ÷ 2 = 10</b>				

**GRAND TOTAL (20 + 10): 30**