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**ENGLISH FIRST ADDITIONAL LANGUAGE P3  
MARKING GUIDELINE**

**MARKS: 100**

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This marking guideline consists of 10 pages.

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## INSTRUCTIONS AND INFORMATION

This memorandum must be used in conjunction with the attached English FAL assessment rubrics for SECTIONS A, B and C.

**NOTE:** All pieces of writing should be read at least TWICE during assessment, once for content and once for language respectively. Errors have to be indicated in your second reading.

### SECTION A: ESSAY

#### QUESTION 1

##### INSTRUCTIONS TO MARKERS:

- Candidates are required to write on ONE topic only.
- The ideas listed below the topics are only **some ways** in which the topics can be interpreted.
- Full credit must be given for the candidates' own interpretation.
- Marking must be objective. Give credit for relevant ideas.
- Use the 50-mark grid to mark the essays. The texts produced by candidates must be assessed according to the following criteria:
  - Content and planning (30 marks)
  - Language, style and editing (15 marks)
  - Structure (5 marks)

**NOTE:** • Adhere to the length of 250–300 words as prescribed in the CAPS document. However, should the maximum word count be reached mid-sentence, read to the end of that sentence.  
• No additional penalties may be imposed as the rubric itself imposes penalties.

#### 1.1 Who am I?

##### Narrative/Descriptive/Reflective essay

- If narrative, a storyline illustrating the statement must be evident in which a series of events are shown. There must be a logical sequence of tense.
- If descriptive, there must be a vivid description of an experience/incident.
- If reflective, there must be a personal account of thought processes and feelings/emotions.

**NOTE:** A candidate may write an essay which contains elements of more than one type of essay/any other essay type.

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#### 1.2 That was it and I just ...

##### Narrative/Descriptive/Reflective essay

- If narrative, the essay must have a strong storyline and an interesting ending. There must be a logical sequence of tense.
- If descriptive, there must be a vivid description of an incident/experience to illustrate the statement.
- If reflective, there must be a personal account of thought processes and feelings/emotions.

**NOTE:** A candidate may write an essay which contains elements of more than one type of essay/any other essay type.

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### 1.3 Being irresponsible makes people lose out in life.

Argumentative/Discursive/Reflective/Descriptive essay

- If argumentative, the essay must reflect a specific argument or viewpoint for or against the topic. The candidate should give a range of arguments to support and substantiate his/her view.
- If discursive, the candidate may come to a particular conclusion at the end of the essay but the arguments for or against must be well-balanced and clearly analysed in the course of the essay.
- If reflective, the essay should convey emotional reactions and feelings the learner experiences/experienced.
- If descriptive, the learner should create the picture in words, trying to use as many senses as possible to make the description clear.

**NOTE:** A candidate may write an essay which contains elements of more than one type of essay/any other essay type.

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### 1.4 The beauty of believing in yourself

Narrative/Descriptive/Reflective essay

- If narrative, a strong storyline illustrating the statement must be evident in which a series of events are shown. There must be a logical sequence of tense.
- If descriptive, there must be a vivid description of an incident/experience to illustrate the statement.
- If reflective, there must be a personal account of thought processes and feelings/emotions.

**NOTE:** A candidate may write an essay which contains elements of more than one type of essay/any other essay type.

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### 1.5 ‘Nothing worth having in life comes without effort.’ – John C Maxwell

Discursive/Reflective/Argumentative/Descriptive essay

- If discursive, the candidate may come to a particular conclusion at the end of the essay but the arguments for or against must be well-balanced and clearly analysed in the course of the essay.
- If reflective, the essay should reflect emotional reactions and feelings experienced by the candidate.
- If argumentative, the essay must reflect a specific argument or viewpoint for or against the topic. The learner should give a range of arguments to support and substantiate his/her view. The conclusion should be a strong, clear and convincing statement of the candidate’s opinion.
- If descriptive, the learner should create a picture in words, trying to use as many senses as possible to make the description clear.

**NOTE:** A candidate may write an essay which contains elements of more than one type of essay/any other essay type.

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## 1.6 An amazing achievement

### Narrative/Descriptive/Reflective Essay

- If narrative, a strong storyline illustrating the statement must be evident in which a series of events are shown. There must be a logical sequence of tense.
- If descriptive, there must be a vivid description of an incident/experience to illustrate the statement.
- If reflective, there must be a personal account of thought processes and feelings/emotions.

**NOTE:** A candidate may write an essay which contains elements of more than one type of essay/any other essay type.

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## 1.7 Interpretation of pictures

- The candidate may interpret the picture in any way.
- The candidate may choose to write any type of essay.
- The interpretation must be linked to the pictures.
- The candidate should give the essay a suitable title.
- The candidate may write in any appropriate tense.
- The following ideas, **among others**, may be explored in response to the pictures:

### 1.7.1 A picture of stairs

- Literal interpretations: e.g. climbing up, going down, ascending to success etc.
- Abstract interpretations: e.g. rising from the ashes, achieving success, retrogression etc.

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### 1.7.2 A picture of a zebra

- Literal interpretations: e.g. wildlife, the big five, the animal kingdom etc.
- Abstract interpretations: e.g. beauty of nature, the environment, animal welfare etc.

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**TOTAL SECTION A: 50**

**SECTION B: LONGER TRANSACTIONAL TEXT****QUESTION 2****INSTRUCTIONS TO MARKERS:**

- Learners are required to answer ONE question.
- Marking must be objective. Give credit for relevant ideas.
- Use the 30-mark assessment rubric to mark the responses in this section. The texts produced by learners must be assessed according to the following criteria as set out in the assessment rubric:
  - Content, planning and format (18 marks)
  - Language, style and editing (12 marks)

**NOTE:**

- Adhere to the length of 120–150 words as prescribed in the CAPS document. However, should the maximum word count be reached mid-sentence, read to the end of that sentence.
- No additional penalties may be imposed as the rubric itself imposes penalties.

**2.1 FORMAL LETTER TO THE PRESS**

A letter expressing concerns about environmental destruction

- Acceptable variations of format must be allowed.
- The letter should be addressed to the editor of the *Daily Dispatch*.
- The tone and register of the letter should be formal.
- The following aspects of format should be included:
  - Address of sender
  - Date
  - Recipient (editor of *Daily Dispatch*)
  - Address of *Daily Dispatch*
  - Salutation
  - Subject line
  - Suitable ending
  - Signature
  - Name of sender

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**2.2 CURRICULUM VITAE (CV) AND COVERING LETTER**

A covering letter for a job application

- The curriculum vitae (CV) should be short and relevant to the job applied for.
- The letter should be addressed to the manager of a marketing company.
- The tone and register of the letter should be formal.
- The following aspects of format should be included:
  - Address of sender
  - Date
  - Recipient (Manager of marketing company)
  - Address of recipient
  - Salutation
  - Subject line
  - Suitable ending
  - Signature
  - Name of sender

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## 2.3 INFORMAL REPORT

A report about the successes and challenges of the women and child abuse awareness campaign

- The report must have:
  - A topic
  - A sender
  - Date
  - The format is informal but the language should be formal.
  - Slang or colloquial language is unacceptable.

## 2.4 SPEECH

A speech to wish a learner well for a sports competition

- The speech should be written using a suitable salutation/greeting.
- The tone and register should be appropriate for the audience.
- The speech must include the following:
  - An introduction that attracts attention
  - Well-developed points
  - A conclusion

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**TOTAL SECTION B:** 30

**SECTION C: SHORTER TRANSACTIONAL TEXT****QUESTION 3****INSTRUCTIONS TO MARKERS:**

- Learners are required to answer ONE question.
- Marking must be objective. Give credit for relevant ideas.
- Use the 20-mark assessment rubric to mark the responses in this section. The texts produced by learners must be assessed according to the following criteria as set out in the assessment rubric:
  - Content, planning and format (12 marks)
  - Language, style and editing (8 marks)

- NOTE:**
- Adhere to the length of 80–100 words as prescribed in the CAPS document. However, should the maximum word count be reached mid-sentence, read to the end of that sentence.
  - No additional penalties may be imposed as the rubric itself imposes penalties.

**3.1 INVITATION CARD**

An invitation to honour the elderly people

- The following aspects of format must be included:
  - The name of the occasion
  - Date, venue and time
  - Type of function should be clear
- Language should be formal and suitable for the context.
- Full sentences are not necessary.
- Do not award marks for drawings and illustrations.

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**3.2 DIARY ENTRY**

The learner's feelings before and after the interview

- There should be TWO entries.
- The entries should be written in the first person.
- Each entry must bear a date/time.
- The tone must be personal.

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**3.3 INSTRUCTIONS**

Instructions on protective measures against social networking crimes/cyber crime

- Instructions may be in point or paragraph form.
- Numbers or bullets may be used to indicate each new instruction.
- The language should be clear and instructive.
- Complete sentences are not necessary.
- Instructions should be logical.

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

## SECTION A: RUBRIC FOR ASSESSING ESSAY – ADDITIONAL LANGUAGE [50 MARKS]

○ Always use the rubric when marking the creative essay (Paper 3, SECTION A).

○ The marks from 0–50 have been divided into 5 major level descriptors.

○ In the Content, Language and Style criteria, each of the five level descriptors is divided into an upper and a lower level sub-category with the applicable mark range and descriptors.

Criteria	Exceptional	Skilful	Moderate	Elementary	Inadequate
<b>CONTENT AND PLANNING</b> (Response and ideas) Organisation of ideas for planning Awareness of purpose, audience and context <b>30 MARKS</b>	<b>28–30</b> Outstanding/Striking response beyond normal expectations. Intelligent, thought-provoking and mature ideas Exceptionally well organised and coherent (connected) including introduction, body and conclusion/ending.	<b>22–24</b> Very well-crafted response. Fully relevant and interesting. Ideas with evidence of maturity Very well organised and coherent (connected) including introduction, body and conclusion/ending.	<b>16–18</b> Satisfactory response Ideas are reasonably coherent and convincing. Reasonably organised and coherent including introduction, body and conclusion/ending.	<b>10–12</b> Inconsistently coherent response Unclear ideas and unoriginal Little evidence of organisation and coherence.	<b>4–6</b> - Totally irrelevant response. - Confused and unfocused ideas. - Vague and repetitive. - Unorganised and incoherent.
	<b>25–27</b> Excellent response but lacks the exceptionally striking qualities of the outstanding essay Mature and intelligent ideas Skilfully organised and coherent (connected) including introduction, body and conclusion/ending.	<b>19–21</b> Well-crafted response. Relevant and interesting ideas. Well organised and coherent (connected) including introduction, body and conclusion.	<b>13–15</b> Satisfactory response but some lapses in clarity. Ideas are fairly coherent and convincing. Some degree of organisation and coherence including introduction, body and conclusion.	<b>7–9</b> Largely irrelevant response. Ideas tend to be disconnected and confusing. Hardly any evidence of organisation and coherence.	<b>0–3</b> - No attempt to respond to the topic - Completely irrelevant and inappropriate - Unfocused and muddled
<b>LANGUAGE, STYLE AND EDITING</b> <b>15 MARKS</b>	<b>14–15</b> Tone, register, style, vocabulary highly appropriate to purpose, audience and context Language confident, exceptionally impressive – compelling and rhetorically effective in tone. Virtually error-free in grammar and spelling. Highly skilfully crafted.	<b>11–12</b> Tone, register, style and vocabulary very appropriate to purpose, audience and context. Language is effective and a consistently appropriate tone is used. Largely error-free in grammar and spelling. Very well crafted.	<b>8–9</b> Tone, register, style and vocabulary appropriate to purpose, audience and context. Appropriate use of language to convey meaning. Tone is appropriate. Rhetorical devices used to enhance content.	<b>5–6</b> Tone, register; style and vocabulary not appropriate to purpose, audience and context. Very basic use of language. Tone and diction are inappropriate. Very limited vocabulary.	<b>0–3</b> - Language incomprehensible - Tone, register, style and vocabulary less appropriate to purpose, audience and context. - Vocabulary limitations so extreme as to make comprehension impossible
	<b>13</b> Language excellent and rhetorically effective in tone. Virtually error-free in grammar and spelling. Skilfully crafted.	<b>10</b> Language engaging and generally effective Appropriate and effective tone. Few errors in grammar and spelling. Well-crafted	<b>7</b> Adequate use of language with some inconsistencies. Tone generally appropriate and limited use of rhetorical devices.	<b>4</b> Inadequate use of language. Little or no variety in sentence. Exceptionally limited vocabulary.	
<b>STRUCTURE</b> <b>5 MARKS</b>	<b>5</b> Excellent development of topic Exceptional detail Sentences, paragraphs exceptionally well-constructed	<b>4</b> Logical development of details Coherent Sentences, paragraphs logical, varied	<b>3</b> Relevant details developed Sentences, paragraphs well-constructed Essay still makes some sense despite flaws.	<b>2</b> Some valid points Sentences and paragraphs faulty Essay still makes sense despite flaws.	<b>0–1</b>
<b>MARKS RANGE</b>	<b>40–50</b>	<b>30–39</b>	<b>20–29</b>	<b>10–19</b>	<b>0–9</b>

## SECTION B: ASSESSMENT RUBRIC FOR LONGER TRANSACTIONAL TEXT – ADDITIONAL LANGUAGE [30 marks]

Criteria	Exceptional 15–18	Skilful 11–14	Moderate 8–10	Elementary 5–7	Inadequate 0–4
<b>CONTENT PLANNING AND FORMAT</b>  (Response and ideas ) Organisation of ideas for planning Purpose, audience and features/conventions and context  <b>18 MARKS</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Outstanding response beyond normal expectations</li> <li>- Intelligent and mature ideas</li> <li>- Extensive knowledge of features of the type of text</li> <li>- Writing maintains focus</li> <li>- Coherence in content and ideas.</li> <li>- Highly elaborated and all details support the topic</li> <li>- Appropriate and accurate format</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Very good response demonstrating good knowledge of features of the type of text.</li> <li>- Maintains focus – no digressions.</li> <li>- Coherent in content and ideas, very well elaborated and details support topic.</li> <li>- Appropriate format with minor inaccuracies.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Adequate response demonstrating knowledge of features of the type of text.</li> <li>- Not completely focused – some digressions.</li> <li>- Reasonably coherent in content and ideas</li> <li>- Some details support the topic</li> <li>- Generally appropriate format but with some inaccuracies.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Basic response demonstrating some knowledge of features of the type of text.</li> <li>- Some focus but writing digresses.</li> <li>- Not always coherent in content and ideas.</li> <li>- Few details support the topic.</li> <li>- Has vaguely applied necessary rules of format</li> <li>- Some critical oversights.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Response reveals no knowledge of features of the type of text</li> <li>- Meaning is obscure with major digressions.</li> <li>- Not coherent in content and ideas.</li> <li>- Very few details support the topic.</li> <li>- Has not applied necessary rules of format.</li> </ul>
<b>LANGUAGE, STYLE AND EDITING</b>  Tone, register, style, purpose/effect, audience and context Language use and conventions. Word choice Punctuation, spelling  <b>12 MARKS</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Tone, register, style, vocabulary highly appropriate to purpose, audience and context.</li> <li>- Grammatically accurate and well-constructed</li> <li>- Virtually error-free.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Tone, register, style and vocabulary very appropriate to purpose, audience and context.</li> <li>- Generally grammatically accurate and well-constructed</li> <li>- Very good vocabulary</li> <li>- Mostly free of errors</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Tone, register, style appropriate to purpose, audience and context.</li> <li>- Some grammatical errors</li> <li>- Adequate vocabulary</li> <li>- Errors do not impede meaning</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Tone, register, style and vocabulary less appropriate to purpose, audience and context.</li> <li>- Inaccurate grammar with numerous errors</li> <li>- Limited vocabulary</li> <li>- Meaning is obscured.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Tone, register, style and vocabulary do not correspond to purpose, audience and context.</li> <li>- Error-ridden and confused</li> <li>- Vocabulary not suitable for purpose</li> <li>- Meaning seriously impaired</li> </ul>
<b>MARKS RANGE</b>	25–30	19–23	14–17	9–12	0–7

### SECTION C: ASSESSMENT RUBRIC FOR SHORTER TRANSACTIONAL TEXT – ADDITIONAL LANGUAGE [20 marks]

Criteria	Exceptional 10-12	Skilful 8-9	Moderate 6-7	Elementary 4-5	Inadequate 0-3
<b>CONTENT PLANNING AND FORMAT</b>  (Response and ideas) Organisation of ideas for planning Purpose, audience and features/conventions and context  <b>12 MARKS</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Outstanding response beyond normal expectations</li> <li>- Intelligent and mature ideas</li> <li>- Extensive knowledge of features of the type of text</li> <li>- Writing maintains focus</li> <li>- Coherence in content and ideas.</li> <li>- Highly elaborated and all details support the topic</li> <li>- Appropriate and accurate format</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Very good response demonstrating good knowledge of features of the type of text.</li> <li>- Maintains focus – no digressions.</li> <li>- Coherent in content and ideas, very well elaborated and details support topic.</li> <li>- Appropriate format with minor inaccuracies.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Adequate response demonstrating knowledge of features of the type of text.</li> <li>- Not completely focused – some digressions.</li> <li>- Reasonably coherent in content and ideas</li> <li>- Some details support the topic</li> <li>- Generally appropriate format but with some inaccuracies.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Basic response demonstrating some knowledge of features of the type of text.</li> <li>- Some focus but writing digresses.</li> <li>- Not always coherent in content and ideas.</li> <li>- Few details support the topic.</li> <li>- Has vaguely applied necessary rules of format</li> <li>- Some critical oversights.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Response reveals no knowledge of features of the type of text</li> <li>- Meaning is obscure with major digressions.</li> <li>- Not coherent in content and ideas.</li> <li>- Very few details support the topic.</li> <li>- Has not applied necessary rules of format.</li> </ul>
<b>LANGUAGE, STYLE AND EDITING</b>  Tone, register, style, purpose/effect, audience and context Language use and conventions. Word choice Punctuation, spelling  <b>8 MARKS</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Tone, register, style, vocabulary highly appropriate to purpose, audience and context.</li> <li>- Grammatically accurate and well-constructed</li> <li>- Virtually error-free.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Tone, register, style and vocabulary very appropriate to purpose, audience and context</li> <li>- Generally grammatically accurate and well-constructed</li> <li>- Very good vocabulary</li> <li>- Mostly free of errors.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Tone, register, style and vocabulary appropriate to purpose, audience and context.</li> <li>- Some grammatical errors</li> <li>- Adequate vocabulary</li> <li>- Errors do not impede meaning.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Tone, register, style and vocabulary less appropriate to purpose, audience and context</li> <li>- Inaccurate grammar with numerous errors</li> <li>- Limited vocabulary</li> <li>- Meaning is obscured.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Tone, register, style and vocabulary do not correspond to purpose, audience and context.</li> <li>- Error-ridden and confused</li> <li>- Vocabulary not suitable for purpose obscured</li> <li>- Meaning seriously obscured</li> </ul>
<b>MARKS RANGE</b>	17-20	13-15	10-11	7-8	0-5

