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ASSESSMENT INSTRUCTION 39 OF 2021

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DATE: 14 SEPTEMBER 2021

PREScribed LITERATURE: NOVEMBER 2022 AND JUNE 2023 GRADE 12 EXAMINATIONS

1. This Assessment Instruction relates to the prescribed literature for all official languages for the November 2022 and June 2023 Grade 12 Examinations.
2. Given the ongoing challenges posed by the COVID-19 pandemic, the catalogue for new prescribed literature could not be finalised. The Department of Basic Education (DBE) has taken a decision to postpone the introduction of new literature until 2023. However, this will be done incrementally.
3. The DBE will introduce new poems and short stories (from the anthologies currently prescribed) in 2023, for the November 2023 and June 2024 examinations. No new dramas, novels and folklore will be introduced in 2023.
4. The Grade 12 literature question papers for all official languages (Paper 2) for the November 2022 and June 2023 Grade 12 Examinations will be based on the literature that is prescribed for the November 2021 and June 2022 examinations. Therefore, it must be noted that the list of prescribed literature for the November 2022 and the June 2023 examinations, bar South African Sign Language, is the same as per Circular E19 (Assessment Instruction 32 of 2020) of 2018.

5. The prescribed literature for SASL HL for the November 2022 and June 2023 Grade 12 examinations are the same as per DBE Circular E16 of 2020.
6. Districts heads of examination are requested to bring the content of this Assessment Instruction to the attention of the schools, centres and candidates that will offer the November 2022 and the June 2023 Grade 12 examinations.
7. For ease of reference, DBE Circular E19 of 2018 and DBE Circular E16 of 2020 are attached.
8. The heads of educational institutions should ensure that the content of this Assessment Instruction is distributed to all Grade12 teachers, learners, subject advisors and other relevant stakeholders.



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