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NATIONAL SENIOR CERTIFICATE

**GRADE 10** 



**MARKS: 80** 

TIME: 2 hours

This question paper consists of 12 pages.

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# INSTRUCTIONS AND INFORMATION

- 1. Answer ALL the questions.
- 2. Start each section on a NEW page and rule off on completion of each section.
- 3. Leave a line after each answer.
- 4. Write neatly and legibly.
- 5. Pay special attention to spelling and sentence construction.

# SECTION A: COMPREHENSION

# **QUESTION 1**

Read the following article and answer the questions set on it.

# **Clever Ayanda (3) loves politics**

- 1. TERRIFIC tot, Ayanda Ngubane is only three, but he already knows the names of the world's leaders. Tony Blair, George Bush, Robert Mugabe, Kofi Annan ... you name them, he knows them and which country and organisation they represent. He also knows those closer to home. Ask him for the names of the mayors of Durban and Johannesburg, the premier of KwaZulu-Natal, the national minister of transport, the president and deputy president of the country, and he can rattle them off.
- 2. Little Ayanda, who lives with his single mom in Durban's Broad Street, owes his photographic memory to his never-ending curiosity and watching the news. But, don't make the mistake of asking him the same question twice, as he will respond: 'You don't listen!'
- 3. He recently made the news himself when the wonder whiz kid featured on a programme all about his remarkable memory. Now, in the wake of his fame, fascinated fans crowd around him in the street or point out 'that clever child', whenever he travels in taxis with his mom. Although he still has three years to go before entering the school world, he already knows the entire alphabet.
- 4. Visiting the *Daily News* yesterday, he held court in the Editor's office and even sat in his chair before asking for a copy of the paper. Ayanda then jabbed his little finger at the letters in the headlines and said what they were, impressing the army of spellbound and admiring reporters.
- 5. 'He's very curious, always asking questions and soaks up everything on the news. He is particularly interested in learning the names of the politicians,' explained Dee, his proud mother. He is always busy, is keen to learn how to write and when he is not absorbing all those names in front of the television screen, he is watching wrestling.
- Asked by Editor Dennis Pather what he wanted to be when he grew up, Ayanda eagerly answered: 'The President.'
  'That's because so many people tell him he should be president,' explain his mother.
- 7. Never missing a trick and spotting the Editor's glasses on the desk, he wondered why he didn't have a pair. 'Is there anything he doesn't like?' we asked. He doesn't approve of swearing and reprimands anyone he hears doing it. However, like any little boy, he adores chocolate and when the Editor gave him a slab, he readily took it. Before he tucked in, he snapped off a piece and gave it to his mom.

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8. 'Ah, how cute!' everyone cooed. [Adapted from an article by Barbara Cole in the Daily News, 16 May 2006] 1.1 Refer to the title of this article. The age of the child (3) has been included in brackets. Why, do you think, has the writer chosen to include the child's age? (2) 1.2 Refer to paragraph 1. 1.2.1 What is so unusual about Ayanda? (2) 1.2.2 Complete the following sentence by choosing the correct answer. Write only the question number (1.2.2) and the letter (A - D) of your choice. The sentence 'he can rattle them off' means: А Ayanda can make a noise about them B Ayanda plays with a rattle С Ayanda can list names very quickly Avanda forgets some names D 1.3 Refer to paragraph 2. What does the phrase 'his never-ending curiosity' tell you about 1.3.1 Avanda? (2) 1.3.2 Avanda is said to have 'a photographic memory'.

This means that ...

- А he remembers photographs.
- В he remembers everything he sees.
- С his mom takes many photographs of him.
- his memory can be photographed. D

Write only the question number (1.3.2) and the letter (A - D) of your choice.

- 1.4 Indicate whether the following statements are TRUE or FALSE. In each case, give a very short quotation from the article (NOT more than FIVE words) to justify your answer.
  - 1.4.1 Ayanda lives with his parents. (2)1.4.2 Ayanda sometimes forgets names. (2) 1.4.3 Many people know about Ayanda. (2)
- 1.5 Who is the editor of the Daily News?

1.6 Complete the following sentence by choosing the correct answer. Write only the question number (1.6) and the letter (A - D) of your choice.

Ayanda is called a 'wonder whiz kid' because ...

	A B	he is only three years old. he featured on a TV programme.		
	C D	he knows the entire alphabet. he has a remarkable memory for such a young child.		(2)
1.7	How doe	s Ayanda learn the names of famous politicians?		(2)
1.8	What doe	es Ayanda dislike?		(2)
1.9	Do you e think so.	expect Ayanda to do well when he goes to school? Explain w	hy you	(2)
1.10	Give a sir	ngle word which means the same as the underlined word:		
	1.10.1	'his <u>remarkable</u> memory' (paragraph 3)		(1)
	1.10.2	'spellbound and admiring reporters' (paragraph 4)		(1)
1.11	Name the	e sport Ayanda is fond of watching.		(1)
1.12	•	think Ayanda really knows what it means to be president?	Give a	(2)
		TOTAL SECT	ON A:	30

## SECTION B: SUMMARY

## **QUESTION 2**

Imagine that you are preparing an essay on the different types of landscapes on Earth. ONE section of your essay deals with deserts.

Read the following article and write down the SEVEN main points on deserts that you will use in your essay.

#### NOTE:

- 1. List the SEVEN points in full sentences.
- 2. Number the sentences 1 to 7.
- 3. Your seven-point summary must NOT exceed a total of 65 words.
- 4. Indicate the number of words you have used in brackets at the end of your summary.

### Deserts

Every continent, except for Antarctica and Europe, has large, dry deserts. People often think of deserts as vast seas of sand, but sand only covers one-fifth of these deserts. There are three main kinds of desert scenery. Their names come from Arabic words first used by the desert people of North Africa. Sand desert is called *erg*. Bare, rocky desert, without sand, is called *hammada*, and stony desert, covered by loose gravel or pebbles, is called *reg*.

Deserts are too dry for most kinds of plants and because there are few plants to hold the soil in place, the wind can make many changes in the desert scenery. Sandstorms are one unpleasant kind of desert storm. During sandstorms, grains of sand are lifted up, blown forward and bounced along the surface. The sand acts like a natural sandblaster. It strips paint off cars and frosts the glass on windscreens. It can even cut through wooden telegraph poles unless they are protected by metal or by a pile of stones around the base. Wind-blown sand also polishes rocks and cuts caves in cliffs. It can create beautiful formations in the rock, but it is a hazard to people and animals.

Some deserts are created by people. In several parts of the world, dry, grassy plains have been ploughed and converted to farmland, but too much farming and grazing makes the soil less fertile, so that crops will not grow. Without plants to hold it, the loose, powdery soil is then blown away by the wind.

[Adapted from the Primary School Encyclopaedia]

#### TOTAL SECTION B: 10

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## SECTION C: LANGUAGE

## **QUESTION 3: CARTOONS AND ADVERTISEMENTS**

Study the texts below carefully and answer the questions that follow.

3.1 The two characters are Odie, the dog and Garfield, the cat.



- 3.1.1 How do we know from the drawings in Frames 1 and 3 that Garfield is not talking aloud like a human being? (1)
- 3.1.2 Quote an example of sound imitation from the cartoon. (1)
- 3.1.3 Explain why Odie is guarding his dish.
- 3.1.4 How does the cartoonist show us in the last frame that Garfield is greedy? (2)



[From People Magazine]

3.2.1 Refer to frame 3.

> How does the cartoonist show the woman's feelings about changing the tyre? (2)

3.2.2 Refer to Frame 3.

> Explain the reaction of the other motorists to the woman changing the tyre.

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3.3 Study the poster below and answer the questions that follow.



- 3.3.1 How is the number 365 related to the message the poster is intended to get across?
- 3.3.2 What picture of Durban does the slogan 'South Africa's playground' suggest?
- 3.3.3 Would you be tempted to visit Durban after seeing this poster? State the reason.

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# QUESTION 4: LANGUAGE USAGE

The cartoonist, Jim Davis, draws the well-known Garfield cartoons, which are based on a very fat, greedy cat called Garfield and his owner Jon. One day Jon made a telephone call to Mona, an attractive young lady he wanted to take out on a date. Garfield sat next to Jon and listened to the conversation, which follows:

JON:		Hi, Mona! How are you? It's Jon here.	1
MONA:		Oh, no! Not you again! What do you want this time?	2
JON:		You know, Mona, I just know you're going to say you'll go out with me.	3 4
MONA:		Uh?	5
JON:		Know why? I'm wearing my lucky socks!	6
MONA:		I won't go out with you, no matter WHAT socks you're wearing! Please stop pestering me!	7 8
GARFIE	ELD:	(Thinking) Tee! Hee! Hee!	9
4.1	In lin	es 3 - 4, Jon says: 'I just know you'll go out with me.'	
	Rew	rite his words reported speech, starting with: Jon said that	(2)
4.2	Rew	rite these words from line 6 with the correct punctuation for direct speech:	
	Jon s	says I'm wearing my lucky socks	(2)
4.3	In lin	e 3, the contraction (i.e. shortened form) 'you're' is used.	
	Write	e 'you're' out in full.	(1)
4.4	his c word	Davis, who draws the Garfield cartoons, had the following to say about haracter. Complete his comments by supply only the correct form of the (s) in brackets or the correct missing word(s). Write only the question per (4.4.1 - 4.4.9) and the correct answer(s).	
	(4.4.: he s Som	ield is the (4.4.1) (lazy) cartoon character I know. The only things he is 2) (real) good (4.4.3) are eating and pestering the dog. Besides that uffers (4.4.4) a swollen head. He (4.4.5) (not meet) his match yet. etimes he surprises even (4.4.6) (he) with his cleverness. Poor Jon! The e he tries to control Garfield, the (4.4.7) (little) he succeeds. Garfield	

should have learnt manners a long time ago, (4.4.8) ... ...? Still, I think he is

one of those characters who (4.4.9) ... liked by everybody.

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4.5 Rewrite the following headline from a newspaper by starting with the underlined word. Do NOT change the meaning in any way.

Cat attacks man for the second time.	(1)
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# **QUESTION 5: EDITING**

In the following advertisement, there are 10 errors that have been underlined for you. Follow the instructions to find them and write only the question number (5.1 - 5.10) and the corrected word(s) in your answer book.

		HIDEAWAY
		aaaabbbb
	1	WE <u>AD</u> VALUE TO YOUR MONEY - EXCELLENT MID-WEEK RATES
	2 3 4 5 6	Come to the <u>beautifull</u> Magaliesberg - you won't be <u>dissappointed</u> . <u>Their</u> are mountains to climb, trails to hike, 250 species of <u>bird's</u> to see and everything in our chalets <u>are</u> designed for <u>you're</u> comfort. If you ask our <u>advise</u> , we <u>would see</u> to it that you have the time of your <u>live</u> .
5.1		Spelling error in line 1
5.2		Spelling error in line 2
5.3		Spelling error in line 2
5.4		Wrong homophone used in line 3
5.5		Apostrophe error in line 3
5.6		Concord error in line 4
5.7		Wrong word used in line 4
5.8		Wrong word used in line 5
5.9		Wrong verb tense used in line 5
5.10		Wrong word used in line 6
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