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# National Senior Certificate
## Grade 12
# English First Additional Language
## Paper 1 – Exemplar

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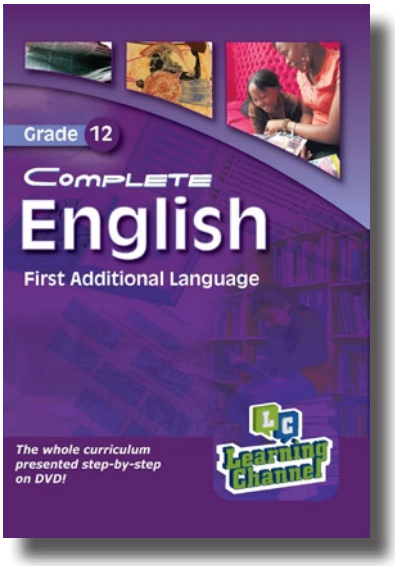

**MARKS: 80** **TIME: 2 hours**

## INSTRUCTIONS AND INFORMATION

1. This question paper consists of THREE sections, namely SECTION A, SECTION B and SECTION C.

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   | SECTION A: | Comprehension | (30 marks) |
   | SECTION B: | Summary | (10 marks) |
   | SECTION C: | Language | (40 marks) |

2. Answer ALL the questions.
3. Start each section on a NEW page and rule off on completion of EACH section.
4. Leave a line free after EACH answer.
5. Number the answers correctly according to the numbering system used in this question paper.
6. Write neatly and legibly.
7. Pay special attention to spelling and sentence construction.

## SECTION A: COMPREHENSION

## QUESTION 1

Read the following passage (Text A) and answer the questions that follow.

## HAITI EARTHQUAKE: THOUSANDS FEARED KILLED

1. A major earthquake rocked Haiti, killing possibly thousands of people as it toppled the presidential palace and hillside shanties alike and left the Caribbean nation appealing for international help.
2. A five-storey UN building was also brought down by Tuesday's 7,0 magnitude quake, the most powerful to hit Haiti in more than 200 years according to the US Geological Survey. Reuters television footage from the capital, Port-au-Prince, showed scenes of chaos on the streets with people sobbing and appearing dazed amid the rubble.
3. The quake's epicentre was only 116 km from Port-au-Prince. About 4 million people live in the city and surrounding area. Aftershocks as powerful as 5,9 rattled the city throughout the night and into Wednesday.
4. Reports on casualties and damage were slow to emerge due to communication problems. UN officials said normal communications had been cut off and the only way to talk with people on the ground was via satellite phone. Roads were blocked by rubble. Brazilian General Carlos Barcellos said at least four Brazilian members of the UN peacekeeping mission in Haiti were killed. A large number of Brazilian soldiers were also missing.
5. A reporter in the hillside neighbourhood of Petionville reports that he saw no police or rescue vehicles. "People were trying to dig victims out with flashlights," he said. "I think hundreds of casualties would be a serious understatement." Witnesses said they saw homes and shanties built on hillsides tumble and cars bouncing off the ground as the earth shook.
6. The poorest country in the Western Hemisphere, Haiti is ill-equipped to respond to such a disaster, lacking heavy equipment to move debris and sufficient emergency personnel. "I am appealing to the world, especially the United States, to do what they did for us back in 2008 when four hurricanes hit Haiti," Raymond Alcide Joseph, Haiti's ambassador to Washington, said in a CNN interview. "At that time the UN dispatched ... a hospital ship off the coast of Haiti. I hope that will be done again ... and help us in this dire situation we find ourselves in."

7. UN peacekeeping chief, Alain Le Roy, said the main UN building in Port-au-Prince had collapsed. "We don't know how many people were in the building," he told reporters. Le Roy's deputy, Edmond Mulet, said 200 to 250 people work in the building during normal hours. Since the earthquake struck after 5 pm local time – after working hours – it was not clear how many people would have been inside. Some 9 000 UN police and troops are stationed in Port-au-Prince to maintain order.
8. There were more houses destroyed than standing in Delmas Road, a major thoroughfare in Port-au-Prince, another Food for the Poor employee said. The Hotel Montana, where many Foreigners stay, was also damaged. "Within a minute of the quake ... soil, dust and smoke rose up over the city, a blanket that completely covered the city and obscured it for about 12 minutes," Mike Godfrey, who works for USAID, told CNN. About 100 of the hotel's 300 guests had been evacuated.

[Adapted from *Times LIVE*, 13 January 2010]

1.1 According to the passage, which specific properties were damaged by the earthquake? (3)

1.2 Explain in your own words what an "epicentre" is. (2)

1.3 *Port-au-Prince and the surrounding area are densely populated*. Do you agree with this statement? Give a reason for your answer. (2)

1.4 Quote ONE word to prove that there were several smaller earthquakes after the initial earthquake. (1)

1.5 Why did details of the disaster not reach the outside world immediately? (2)

1.6 Was this the first natural disaster to hit Haiti in recent times? Give a reason for your answer. (2)

1.7 Why do you think the reporter in Petionville saw no police or rescue vehicles? (2)

1.8 Describe the scene in Port-au-Prince during the first minutes after the earthquake in your own words. (3)

1.9 What does the abbreviation UN stand for? (1)

1.10 What effect did the earthquake have on the people of Port-au-Prince? (2)

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## QUESTION 2

Read the following passage (Text B) and answer the questions that follow.

### Mom begs for kidnap gang to return her son

1. The mother of five-year-old Samuel Amoes is begging the men who snatched her youngest son from church on Sunday morning to return him to her unharmed. Samuel is the youngest son of a wealthy Angolan couple who have mining and other business interests in that country.
2. The boy was allegedly taken by a gang of four men who "pulled him by the arm and dragged him away" as he played with his older brother in the Sunday school section of the family's church in Johannesburg.
3. His mother, Maggie Amoes, who lives with her husband and four children in Johannesburg, flew back to South Africa yesterday from a business trip in Angola after hearing about the kidnapping. Too upset to speak, she asked private detective Declan Condon, who is investigating the case, to relay this message to the kidnappers: "Whoever has taken him, all I am interested in is getting back my youngest son. I am willing to meet any demands you may have. I am pleading with you, please phone me. I will meet you anywhere."

4. Condon said neither he nor the family had received a ransom demand and they were appealing to the kidnappers to make contact with them. Condon said neither he nor the family had received a ransom demand and they were appealing to the kidnappers to make contact with them.
5. While their parents were away on an eight-week business trip to their home country, the Amoes children, two girls and two boys, were cared for by an aunt and a domestic worker. Samuel's kidnappers are believed to have scouted the Portuguese Catholic church two months ago, and had asked if they could join the congregation – though they could not understand Portuguese. Before they left the church, the men asked to be shown the Sunday school area.
6. The same men are believed to have returned on Sunday at 9am, this time armed. They held up the congregation at gunpoint, locked worshippers inside the church, and two headed for the Sunday school. "They brushed the other children out of the way and walked right up to Samuel, pulled him by the arm and dragged him away," Condon said. The gang left the congregation locked inside the sanctuary and disappeared with little Samuel.
7. Samuel was last seen wearing light-blue jeans, Michael Jordan shoes, white socks, a red and blue short-sleeved shirt with white stripes, and a blue long-sleeved tracksuit top with dark blue stripes.

[Adapted from *Times LIVE*, 10 May 2010]

2.1 State whether the following statement is TRUE or FALSE, and give a reason for your answer.

Samuel's parents were born in South Africa. (2)

2.2 "The boy was **allegedly** taken by a gang of four men ..." (paragraph 2)

What does **allegedly** mean? (1)

2.2 What was probably going through Maggie Amoes's mind after hearing her son had been kidnapped. (2)

2.3 Suggest TWO possible ways Samuel's parents could contact the kidnappers. (2)

2.4 List at least THREE things the kidnappers did to prepare for kidnapping Samuel. (3)

**[10]**

**TOTAL SECTION A: 30**

## SECTION B: SUMMARY

## QUESTION 3

Your class has decided on the theme "Travelling overseas" for your oral assessment task. You have chosen Mauritius as your country of choice to visit.

Read the article below and write down what Mauritius has to offer tourists, apart from luxury hotels and sandy beaches.

**INSTRUCTIONS**

1. List SEVEN points in full sentences, using a total of **approximately 60 words**.
2. Number your sentences from 1 to 7.
3. Write only ONE point per sentence.
4. Use your OWN words as far as possible.
5. Indicate the **total number of words** you have used in brackets at the end of your summary.

NOTE: Marks will be deducted if you ignore these instructions.

## MAURITIUS: NOT JUST A PRETTY BEACH

1. Many visitors to Mauritius hardly venture beyond their seaside hotels, but they are missing a lot of the charm of this historic and scenic island. Let's take a look at what's on offer beyond the sand. The best way to experience Mauritius is to drive. Hire a car and you will be able to get anywhere on the island within an hour. Driving allows you to see places and do things.
2. Another "must do" is a visit to the Pamplemousses Botanical Gardens. It has a huge collection of trees, 80 palm species and 800 plant species. It's also famous for its long pond full of water lilies. The gardens are open all week.
3. The biggest market is to be found in the capital, Port Louis, selling a great range of fruit and vegetables, herbal remedies and fish and meat in different sections. Many stalls are family-owned and have been passed down through generations.
4. Say a prayer in one of the colourful temples, churches and mosques that are scattered all over the island. They are always worth a visit, although there is no organised guide to them.
5. When done with the lazing in luxury at your hotel, head for the peaked mountains, which dominate the interior. There are many hiking trails which make it easy to enjoy the bounties of nature. From nature to that which is man-made. The "creole" architecture of the working-class is becoming increasingly rare, replaced by modern brick and cement. These homes built of wood and iron are still to be found.
6. There are several museums in Mauritius that are known for the particular rarities they house. There are also art cafés that offer guided tours that can occupy a whole day.
7. Mauritius is a multicultural country and it's an original. It's all there to enjoy!

[Adapted from Sunday Times, 28 February 2010]

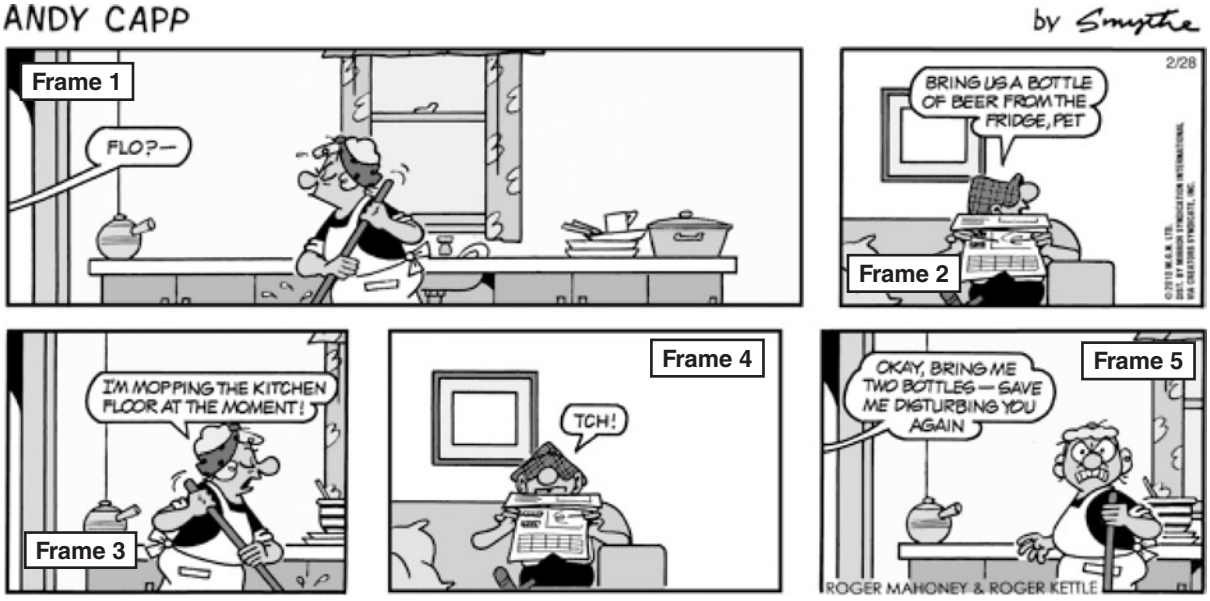
**TOTAL SECTION B: 10**

## SECTION C: LANGUAGE

## QUESTION 4: VISUAL LITERACY

4.1 ANALYSING A CARTOON

Study the cartoon below and answer the questions that follow. The characters in the cartoon are Flo (the wife) and Andy (her husband).




www.gocomics.com, 28 February 2010

4.1.1 Refer to Frame 1 and Frame 3 of the cartoon. Explain how you know that Flo is working hard. (1)

4.1.2 How would you describe Andy's reaction in Frame 4? Give a reason for your answer. (2)

4.1.3 Does Flo appreciate Andy's request? Give a reason for your answer. (2)

**[5]**

## 4.2 ANALYSING AN ADVERTISEMENT

Study the advertisement below and answer the questions that follow.

(Sunday Times magazine, 28 February 2010)

4.2.1 Explain why "Slender" is such a suitable name for this product. (2)

4.2.2 How does the advertiser stress the advantages of using this product? (2)

4.2.3 Explain why the word ... "WORKS!" is printed in a larger font. (2)

4.2.4 Write down TWO details about the lady provided in the advertisement? (2)

4.2.5 What advantages does this product have over other weight loss products? (2)

4.2.6 Who would be tempted to buy this product? Support your response by referring to the advertisement. (2)

4.2.7 What important condition is given for the product to be effective? (2)

4.2.8 Where can people buy this product? (1)

**[15]**

## QUESTION 5: LANGUAGE AND EDITING SKILLS

The article below contains a number of deliberate errors in punctuation and grammar. Read it carefully and answer the questions that follow.

### Kannemeyer's midas touch still works for Supersport

Any club want to win the league should secure the services of SuperSport United defender David Kannemeyer. This was the veteran defender joking advise after he won his fifth Premier Soccer League gold medal on Wednesday. Kannemeyer has won the league titel with all the clubs he has played for.

"I was only 17 and a Cape Town Spurs' player when I first won the league. I didn't play enough games to get a medal because David Nyathi was our star player then," he recalls.

Spurs later merged into Seven Stars to form Ajax Cape Town. He left Ajax to join Kaizer Chiefs where he won his first medal under coach Ted Dumitru.

Following a tiff with Chiefs' management, David felt decieved and went to Pretoria where he won too consecutive championships with Mamelodi Sundowns. After 62 league matches, he joined neighbours and rivals SuperSport United. He have won the league with them for the passed two seasons.

David says he only plays for champions. He admits that he has been lucky in the sense that wherever he went the team wins the league. But, he says, he has also worked very hard in all the teams that he has played for.

(Adapted from *Times Live*, 28 February 2010)

5.1 Correct the underlined words in the sentences below. Write only the number and the correct answer/answers.

5.1.1 Any club want to win the league should secure the services of SuperSport United defender David Kannemeyer. (1)

5.1.2 This was the veteran defender joking advise after he won his fifth Premier Soccer League gold medal on Wednesday. (2)

5.1.3 Kannemeyer has won the league titel with all the clubs he has played for. (1)

5.1.4 Spurs later merged into Seven Stars to form Ajax Cape Town. (1)

5.1.5 Following a tiff with Chiefs' management, David felt decieved and went to Pretoria where he won too consecutive championships with Mamelodi Sundowns. (2)

5.1.6 He have won the the league with them for the passed two seasons. (2)

5.1.7 He admits that he has been lucky in the sense that wherever he went, the team wins the league. (1)

5.2 Rewrite the following sentence in the past tense.

He admits he has been lucky with all the clubs. (2)

5.3 Rewrite the following sentence in the plural form.

He was our star player then. (3)

5.4 Rewrite the following sentences as indicated.

5.4.1 David has already won the gold medal for the best player this season.

Start your answer with: No, David … (1)

5.4.2 "I was only 17 when my team first won the league in Cape Town."
Start your answer with: David said that he … (3)

5.5 Write down a suitable synonym (a word with more or less the same meaning) for the underlined word. Write down only the number and the answer.
He recalls … (1)

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**TOTAL SECTION C: 40**

**GRAND TOTAL: 80**