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GRADE 12

MARKS: 80

TIME: 2 hours

This question paper consists of 10 pages.



INSTRUCTIONS AND INFORMATION

1. This question paper consists of three sections, namely SECTION A, SECTION B and SECTION C.
2. The questions in SECTION A and SECTION B are COMPULSORY.
3. Answer any TWO questions in SECTION C.
4. Read ALL the questions carefully.
5. Number the answers correctly according to the numbering system used in this question paper.
6. Write neatly and legibly.



SECTION A (COMPULSORY)

Answer ALL the questions in this section.

QUESTION 1

1.1 Various options are provided as possible answers to the following questions. Choose the answer and write only the letter (A–D) next to the question number (1.1.1–1.1.10) in the ANSWER BOOK, for example 1.1.11 D.

1.1.1 In South Africa the following bodies deal with specific human rights violations:

- A The Independent Communications Authority of South Africa, the Public Protector and the Office of the Consumer Protector
- B The South African Social Security Agency, the Commission for Gender Equality and the Independent Complaints Directorate
- C The South African Law Reform Commission, the Independent Complaints Directorate and the Public Protector.
- D The Office of the Consumer Protector, the Commission for Gender Equality and the Independent Complaints Directorate

1.1.2 In countries where there is war, such as Syria, the public can only receive information through some social media sites. This can be viewed as an example of ...

- A freedom of expression.
- B censorship.
- C freedom of speech.
- D defamation.

1.1.3 The following strategy is likely to be most effective in supporting an adolescent's efforts to lose weight:

- A Allow the adolescent to have meals on his/her own when it suits him/her.
- B Give him/her money to buy quick lunches at the school tuck shop.
- C Involve the entire family in a healthy eating plan.
- D Frequently remind the adolescent of the health risks of being obese.

1.1.4 When asked to prove an answer in an examination question you should ...

- A give an explanation with headings and subheadings.
- B state the most important facts on the topic.
- C use evidence or reasoning to solve a problem.
- D make a list of events in a particular order.



1.1.5 If you are engaged in conversation, the communication technique that is most likely to ensure that you understand what the other person is attempting to say to you is to ...

- A repeat what you believe the person is saying.
- B nod your head in agreement while the person is speaking.
- C ask the person to speak slowly and clearly.
- D make continuous eye contact while the person is speaking.

1.1.6 Which ONE of the following people would be considered to be unemployed?

- A John does not have a job and is not looking for one.
- B Themba had only a 15-hour job last week.
- C Mary is a housewife and a part-time student.
- D Rita is starting a new job next week.

1.1.7 Ethics is a ...

- A code of conduct for a particular profession only.
- B field of study that focuses on faith and religion.
- C practice of doing good when we know others are watching.
- D branch of philosophy dealing with morals and values.

1.1.8 If a person is frustrated about a situation and wants to express himself/herself before moving on, it is best to ...

- A offer the person suggestions on how to calm down.
- B politely excuse yourself without giving a reason.
- C allow the person to express his/her feelings to get closure.
- D tell the person that his/her current behaviour is unproductive.

1.1.9 One positive effect of stress is that it ...

- A causes changes in appetite, resulting in weight loss.
- B forces you to slow down and do things at leisure.
- C causes sleep loss, which gives you more waking hours to get things done.
- D improves performance, efficiency and refocuses energy.

1.1.10 The following can be used to establish a person's flexibility level:

- A Run and jump
- B Sit and reach
- C BMI and pulse rate
- D Hop and skip

(10 x 1) (10)



- 1.2 Answer the following questions by writing the answer next to the question number (1.2.1–1.2.5) in the ANSWER BOOK.
- 1.2.1 What is the process of managing environmental resources on an on-going basis called? (1)
- 1.2.2 Briefly explain the following concepts:
- (a) Affirmative action (2)
- (b) The rule of law (2)
- 1.2.3 Give the name of the chronic disease that affects glucose levels in the blood. (1)
- 1.2.4 Give ONE word for the deliberate use of shocking stories and pictures in the media to create media hype or to promote sales. (1)
- 1.2.5 State THREE personal safety measures one can take to reduce the risk of injury when participating in physical activities. (3)

TOTAL SECTION A: 20



SECTION B (COMPULSORY)

Answer ALL the questions in this section. Write your answers in full sentences.

QUESTION 2

Read the extract below and answer the questions that follow.

STUDENTS IN A FINANCIAL CRISIS

Protesting students in South Africa burnt down several buildings at universities, forcing administrators to close campuses. The violence came as student protests erupted on university campuses across South Africa. The aim was to pressurise universities to lower tuition fees in a campaign called #Feesmustfall. Chaotic scenes followed, resulting in police being called to restore order on campuses.

[Adapted from the article 'South African protesting students torch university buildings', www.dailymaverick.co.za. Accessed on 29 March 2016.]

- 2.1 Give any TWO reasons why many students commit to higher education without having the required funds. (2 x 1) (2)
- 2.2 State THREE consequences of students accumulating tuition debt during their period of study. (3 x 1) (3)
- 2.3 Discuss, in TWO well-motivated sentences, the importance of universities conducting impact studies before admitting students for a new academic year. (2 x 2) (4)
- 2.4 Propose THREE practical ways in which students can effectively communicate their concerns without violating the rights of other students by destroying university property. (3 x 2) (6)
- [15]**



QUESTION 3

Read the extract below and answer the questions that follow.

THE LEADERSHIP ROLE OF WOMEN IN FOOTBALL

FIFA president, Gianni Infantino, took part in the second FIFA Women's Football and Leadership Conference at the home of FIFA in Zurich. The FIFA Women's Football and Leadership Conference is an annual event that coincides with International Women's Day. It seeks to provide a platform for open and honest debate about how to improve the organisation's support for women in football.

President Infantino urged the football community to increase the number of women in decision-making roles. He also moved that at least one female representative per confederation be elected to the new FIFA Council.

[Adapted from www.fifa.com. Accessed on 29 March 2016.]

- 3.1 State TWO reasons why FIFA decided to increase the number of women in leadership roles in football. (2 x 1) (2)
- 3.2 State THREE ways in which people's beliefs and world views have influenced women's participation in football. (3 x 1) (3)
- 3.3 Suggest TWO guidelines that schools could use to promote leadership roles in sports in a gender sensitive manner. (2 x 2) (4)
- 3.4 Evaluate THREE ways in which gender equitable leadership roles in the sporting industry could have a positive impact on society. (3 x 2) (6)
- [15]**

TOTAL SECTION B: 30



SECTION C

Answer any TWO questions in this section.

Your response must be in essay form (that is, must consist of paragraphs).

QUESTION 4

Read the extract below and answer the questions that follow.

HALF OF SCHOOL CHILDREN SUFFER FROM STRESS

According to a psychologist writing for the *Daily Mail* newspaper, half of school children aged 8 to 18 are stressed and anxious about their academic performance. He maintained that the root of the problem pointed towards a culture of overexamination, as children in South Africa face tough examinations at the end of Grades 3, 6, 9 and 12. He added that the overemphasis of external examinations in this country is far greater than in other countries.

[Adapted from www.fedhealth.co.za. Accessed on 24 November 2015.]

Write an essay on stress and examination writing skills in which you include the following:

- Define an *emotional stressor* and explain why the fear of failure in an examination can be classified as such a stressor. (1 + 2) (3)
 - Discuss THREE ways in which school-based assessment can assist in reducing the pressure of external examinations. (3 x 2) (6)
 - Advise your class mates on how to effectively implement the following examination writing skills to help reduce stress when you write an examination:
 - Reading questions
 - Planning responses
 - Answering questions(3 x 2) (6)
- [15]**



QUESTION 5

Read the extract below and answer the questions that follow.

50 MILLION OPPORTUNITIES

One needs to consider how society and individual citizens can embrace entrepreneurship in a way that enables many of our 50 million people to be at work. The human potential of the 50 million South Africans remains only partially used. The responsibility of the individual is to discover resources he/she has, which can produce goods or services that customers want.

[Adapted from the article '50 Million Wealth Creators', www.timeslive.co.za.
Accessed on 24 November 2015.]

Write an essay on the financial and social viability of entrepreneurship in which you include the following:

- Define the term *entrepreneurship* and give a reason why it could be a financially viable option for an unemployed person. (1 + 2) (3)
 - Discuss THREE reasons why communities should support local entrepreneurs. (3 x 2) (6)
 - Suggest THREE measures that entrepreneurs can take to succeed in an oversaturated market. (3 x 2) (6)
- [15]**



QUESTION 6

Read the extract below and answer the questions that follow.

BUDGET CUTS ON HIV AND AIDS PROGRAMMES

In South Africa the government budget for health has been substantially cut due to the financial crisis. This has seen a R123 million shortfall in the country's public sector antiretroviral (ARV) programme. Furthermore, large private firms, especially mining companies, are likely to cut their HIV and Aids prevention programmes.

[Adapted from www.cabsa.org.za. Accessed on 29 March 2016.]

Write an essay on communities' responsibility to provide services that promote safe and healthy living in which you include the following:

- Highlight THREE ways in which the health budget cuts would have a negative impact on the country. (3 x 1) (3)
 - Discuss THREE strategies that local government can implement to continue fulfilling its responsibility to HIV and Aids patients despite these cutbacks. (3 x 2) (6)
 - Suggest THREE measures that mining companies could use to evaluate the impact of their HIV and Aids intervention programmes before funding is withdrawn. (3 x 2) (6)
- [15]

TOTAL SECTION C: 30

GRAND TOTAL: 80