Candidate Name	School Name

# JUNIOR SECONDARY SEMI-EXTERNAL EXAMINATION

## **ENGLISH SECOND LANGUAGE**

2131/2

PAPER 2 Continuous Writing

Marks 40

1 hour 30 minutes

2019

No Additional Materials are required.

#### **INSTRUCTIONS AND INFORMATION TO CANDIDATES**

- Write your Candidate Name and School Name in the spaces at the top of this page.
- · Candidates answer on the Question Paper in the spaces provided.
- Write in dark blue or black pen.
- · Do not use correction fluid.
- Write clearly and legibly.
- Answer one question from Section A and one question from Section B.
- All topics in each section of this paper carry equal marks.
- Pay special attention to spelling, punctuation and sentence structure.
- The number of marks is given in brackets [] at the end of each question or part question.

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Section A	
Section B	
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Republic of Namibia

MINISTRY OF EDUCATION, ARTS AND CULTURE

#### **SECTION A**

- Write an essay on one of the following topics.
- Your essay should be between 210 and 250 words in length.
- Do not repeat the guidelines. That means: do not rewrite the introduction to the question.

# 1 Myself in ten years from now

Describe yourself in ten years' time.

- What kind of person would you like to be?
- Where will you live?
- What kind of career will you have?
- What relationships will you have?
- · What hobbies and pastimes will you enjoy?

#### 2 Traditional food and drink

In all our cultures, sharing meals is not only an important part of family life, but also an activity at the heart of all our celebrations.

- What kinds of traditional food and drink are popular in your culture?
- · Are there particular drinks and dishes that are served only on special occasions?
- Do the young people know how to prepare these special drinks and dishes, or are old customs dying out?

# 3 The importance of trees

Many people thoughtlessly chop down trees without planting new trees to replace them. Why should we appreciate our trees and take good care of them?

Explain how trees benefit humans, animals and the environment.

#### 4 Travel and tourism

Imagine that you could travel to any place in the world **outside Namibia**.

- Where would you choose to go?
- Why would you choose that particular destination?
- What would you like to see and do there?
- What souvenirs would you bring back to Namibia to remind you of your holiday?

\*A 'souvenir' is something that you keep to remember a place or a special event e.g. a coffee mug with a picture of Table Mountain.

#### 5 A scary story

Tell an exciting story that ends, "So, after that frightening experience, I was very thankful to be safe at last."

# 6 Prevention of cruelty to animals

We are constantly hearing or reading about shocking cases of animal abuse, neglect of and cruelty to animals in Namibia.

Are Namibian animal abuse laws outdated and inadequate to deal with the problem? Do we need modern laws with effective penalties?

Write an essay in which you argue for or against new, improved abuse laws.

#### **SECTION B**

- Answer **one** question from this section.
- The content should be between 150 and 180 words in length.
- Do not rewrite the introduction to the question.

## 1 Friendly letter

Your parents have decided to hold a family reunion (a gathering of your whole extended family).

Write a letter to your aunt and uncle. In your letter:

- invite your aunt and uncle to attend the family reunion.
- tell them when and where it will be held.
- ask them to bring family photograph albums with them, and any other items that they would like to share with all their relatives.

#### 2 Formal letter

You are doing research on the history of your school. You have collected some information locally, but you need more.

Write a letter to the National Archives of Namibia. In your letter:

- explain that you are looking for information on the history of your school.
- give the name and location of your school.
- request them to provide you with a list of any relevant information which they might have, such as photographs, maps, letters and diaries.

Write to: The Head, National Archives of Namibia, Private Bag 13349, Windhoek.

#### 3 Review

Your community recently held a very popular choir competition. You were really impressed with the winning choir.

Write a review of their performance. In your review:

- give the name of the choir, its type (e.g. church, school) and size (number of members).
- comment on the choice of songs they sang, the quality of their singing and how well the choir leader conducted them.
- also comment on any other relevant features, such as their costumes (uniforms), movements and the prize or trophy that they won.

# 4 Report

Your school recently held its first learners' handicrafts exhibition.

Write a report on the exhibition. Your report should include:

- when and where it was held.
- · why the school decided to hold the exhibition.
- the variety and creativity of the exhibits.
- if the event was well supported by learners, teachers, parents and the community in general.
- how successful, or not, the exhibition was (that is, if the school achieved its aims).

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