English Home Language · Grade 7

Memorandum · Term 3–4

TOTAL 90 MARKS

Marking guidelines

1. Award the full mark for a correct answer, even if the learner words it differently.
2. Where a question asks for FULL sentences, the answer must be a complete sentence before the mark is awarded.
3. Where a question asks for two or more things, award one mark per correct item. Where a 1-mark item asks for more than one part, award the mark only if all parts are correct.
4. Questions 4 and 5: award marks according to the rubric printed with the question, not for exact wording.
5. In Question 1, spelling must be correct for the mark to be awarded.

Question	Answer	Marks	Marking note
QUESTION 1 · Language Structures and Conventions · 30 marks			
1.1	(a) Fact (b) Opinion	**2**	*1 mark each.*
1.2	On the side of the residents (1); "Sadly" / "once again" / "at the expense of young people" (1).	**2**	*1 mark for the position, 1 for a correct quotation.*
1.3	furious	**1**	
1.4	To make readers feel how unfair the decision is / to persuade them – she does not expect an answer.	**1**	*Any one sensible purpose.*
1.5	Mr Swart said that they would look at the decision again in March.	**2**	*1 mark for 'they', 1 mark for 'would'.*
1.6	The petition was signed by residents.	**2**	*1 mark for 'was signed', 1 mark for 'by residents'.*
1.7	Neither the letters nor the meeting was important to her.	**2**	*The verb agrees with the nearer subject. 2 marks.*
1.8	A metaphor.	**1**	*Accept 'metaphor'. Do not accept 'simile'.*
1.9	An abstract noun.	**1**	
1.10	most important	**1**	*Accept 'the most important'.*

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1.11	sheets / leaves	**1**	*Any correct synonym.*
1.12	-ness	**1**	
1.13	After she had posted the letter, she walked home.	**2**	*1 mark for a subordinate clause, 1 mark for correct punctuation.*
1.14	with	**1**	
1.15	Nobody	**1**	
1.16	themselves	**1**	
1.17	Mrs Dlamini is a pensioner who volunteers at the library.	**2**	*1 mark for 'who' (accept 'that'), 1 mark for a correct sentence.*
1.18	gang	**1**	*Accept 'band'.*
1.19	might	**1**	
1.20	when the mayor returns	**1**	
1.21	She never arrives on time. (accept: She does not always arrive on time.)	**1**	
1.22	To create a pause / suspense before the disappointing news.	**1**	
1.23	B	**1**	
QUESTION 2 · Literature: poetry · 16 marks			
2.1	At dawn / very early in the morning, before sunrise.	**1**	
2.2	Simile (1); the oranges are round and bright orange, like small suns (1).	**2**	
2.3	Personification (accept metaphor) (1); the engines start slowly and sleepily, like people waking up (1).	**2**	
2.4	He calls them out loudly and rhythmically / in a cheerful, musical way, like a song (accept any one sensible idea).	**1**	
2.5	They are the gaatjie's actual words (1); the exclamation marks show that he shouts loudly (1).	**2**	
2.6	AABB (1); rhyming couplets (1).	**2**	

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2.7	A learner / young person (1) waiting for a taxi with homework on their knee (1).	**2**	
2.8	The whole city is waking up (1), and everyone is setting off on the day's travel and work together (1).	**2**	
2.9	Positive (1); e.g. the gaatjie "sings", the taxis are "proud", the oranges are "little suns" (1).	**2**	
QUESTION 3 · Literature: drama · 10 marks			
3.1	In a school storeroom (on a Friday afternoon).	**1**	
3.2	Stage directions (1); they tell the actors how to speak or move / describe the setting (1).	**2**	
3.3	He thinks the trophy is missing / has been stolen (1); he saw it in that box at break (1).	**2**	
3.4	That he imagines or exaggerates things (1); the inverted commas show she does not believe he really saw it – she is being sarcastic (1).	**2**	
3.5	Thabo (and Lize) believe the trophy has been stolen and are afraid of being caught searching (1); it is resolved when Mr Naidoo shows that he took it to be engraved (1).	**2**	
3.6	Relief / embarrassment – the tension goes out of him (any one).	**1**	

Question	Answer	Marks	Marking note
QUESTION 4 · Transactional writing: agenda and minutes · 16 marks			
4.1	Mark according to the rubric printed on the question paper. Model: AGENDA – Letter-Writing Club, first meeting, 12 August, 14:00, Room 12: 1. Welcome and opening 2. Attendance and apologies 3. Meeting day and venue 4. Club project 5. Money for stamps 6. Date of next meeting 7. Closure. MINUTES of the first meeting of the Letter-Writing Club, held on 12 August at 14:00 in Room 12. Present: 9 members. Apologies: S. Ndlovu. 1. The chairperson, A. Khan, opened the meeting and welcomed members. 2. It was decided that the club will meet every Tuesday in Room 12. 3. Members agreed to write letters to the residents of Huis Rustig. 4. Each member will bring R5 for stamps. 5. The next meeting will be held on 19 August. 6. The meeting closed at 14:40. Chairperson: _____ Secretary: _____	**16**	*Do not deduct marks for a short piece if it is complete and correctly formatted. The model is a guide; any correct format earns the format marks.*
QUESTION 5 · Writing · 18 marks			
5.1	Mark according to the rubric printed on the question paper. There is no "correct" piece — marks are for content, language, structure and accuracy. All topics are equally valid.	**18**	*Do not deduct marks for a short piece if it is complete.*

Total **90 marks**



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