

CAPRICORN NORTH DISTRICT

ENGLISH FIRST ADDITIONAL LANGUAGE

RESPONSE TO TEXT

NOV/DEC 2023 FINAL EXAMINATIONS

GRADE 7

MARKS: [60]

DURATION: 2 HOURS

The paper consists of 9 pages

INSTRUCTIONS AND INFORMATION

1. This paper consists of **FOUR** questions namely:
 QUESTION 1: LITERARY/ NON-LITERARY TEXT [20 MARKS]
 QUESTION 2: VISUAL TEXT [10 MARKS]
 QUESTION 3: SUMMARY [10 MARKS]
 QUESTION 4: LANGUAGE STRUCTURES & CONVENTIONS [20 MARKS]
2. Answer **ALL** questions on the answering sheet provided to you. Start each question on a new page.
3. Number your work according to the numbering system used in the question paper.
4. Pay attention to spelling and sentence construction.
5. Write neatly and legibly.

QUESTION 1: LITERARY/ NON-LITERARY TEXT [20 MARKS]

Read the text below and answer the questions that follow:

Text A:

Mercury and the woodman

One day a woodman was cutting down trees by a river. Suddenly his axe hit a hard spot in a tree trunk, flew from his hands and fell into the river. The woodman was standing on the river bank moaning about his loss, when Mercury, the messenger of gods, appeared.

“Why are you so upset?” asked the god.

When the woodman explained that he had lost his axe with which he made his living. Mercury took pity on him and dived into the river. Soon, he surfaced holding a gold axe.

“Is this yours?” he asked the woodman.

“No,” the man replied.

Again Mercury dived under the water, and this time he came up with a silver axe.

“Is this one yours?” he asked.

“No, that is not mine either,” replied the woodman.

For the third time Mercury dived beneath the water, and this time came up holding the woodman’s plain axe.

“That is mine. Oh thank you, sir!” smiled the woodman, eagerly reaching out his hands to take it.

Mercury was so impressed with the man’s honesty that he gave him the gold and silver axes as well. The woodman hurried home to tell his friends of his good fortune.

The woodman’s friends congratulated him, but one of them was jealous and decided to see if he could get rich too. He went down to the river and dropped his axe into the water. Then he wept and wailed loudly. Mercury appeared, and asked what was upsetting him. When the man said he had lost his axe in the water, Mercury dived into the river and came up with a gold axe.

“Is this yours?” he said. “Yes! Yes! Give it to me,” the man said, trying to snatch the axe.

Mercury was so disgusted by the man’s dishonesty that he refused to give him the gold axe, and he also refused to fetch the man’s own axe.

1. Choose the letter of the correct answer and write it on your answer sheet. E,g

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1.1. Where was the woodman chopping down the trees? (1)

- a. In the bush b. by a river c. in the sea

1.2. Who came to help the woodman? (1)

- a. Mercury b. The axe c. Woodman's friend

1.3. How many characters are in the story? (1)

- a. 3 b. 5 c. 2

2. How did the woodman loose his axe? (2)

3. Is this statement True or False? Support your answer.

Mercury was the messenger of the ancestors. (2)

4. Why was the axe so important to the woodman? (2)

5. What did Mercury like about the woodman, and how did he reward the man? (3)

6. Do you agree with Mercury's treatment of the second man? Give a reason for your answer. (3)

7. What lesson does this story teach us? (2)

8. What type of story is this and explain why you say so. (3)

Total: 20 marks

QUESTION 2: VISUAL TEXT [10 MARKS]

Read the texts below and answer the questions that follow:

Text B

Estimated migration between the provinces from 2016 to 2021

Migrants don't only move between countries; they move between provinces too.

Province	Out-migrants	In-migrants	Net migration
Eastern Cape	515,648	191,435	-324,213
Free State	160,107	147,246	-12,860
Gauteng	544,875	1,595,106	1,050,230
KwaZulu-Natal	360,830	307,123	-53,706.4
Limpopo	417,453	278,847	-138,606
Mpumalanga	212,271	285,678	73,407
Northern Cape	76,832	82,502	5,670
North West	207,662	317,261	109,599
Western Cape	175,831	485,560	309,729

Glossary:

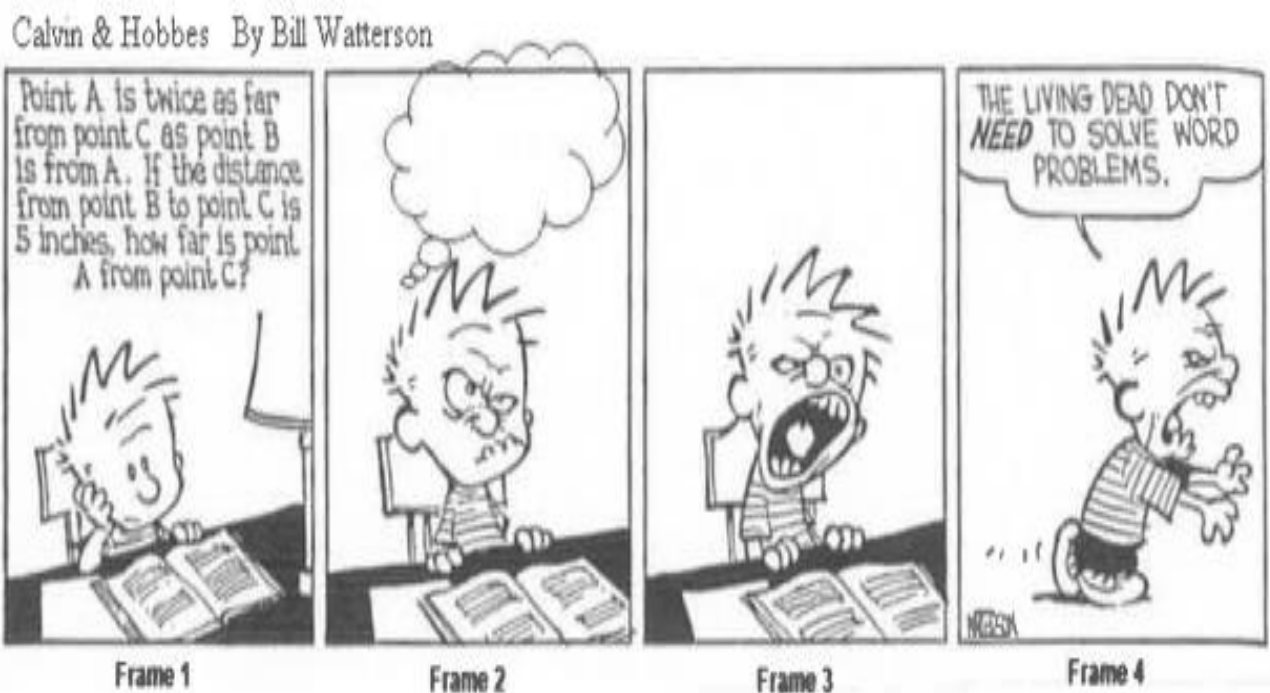
Out-migrants are people who leave the province.

In-migrants are people who come to live in the province.

Net migration is the total of migrants in the province.

2.1. Refer to Text B

- 2.1.1. Which province has the fewest people migrating there? (1)
- 2.1.2. Which province has the fewest migrating from it? (1)
- 2.1.3. According to the table above, most people in South Africa migrate to the Gauteng province. Why do you think might be the reason for a large number of South Africans migrating to Gauteng province? (2)
- 2.1.4. Which province would you migrate to? Explain your answer (2)



Text C

2.2. Refer to Text C

- 2.2.1. What is the name of this cartoon? (1)
- 2.2.2. What is the setting of the cartoon? (1)
- 2.2.3. Calvin looks furious in frame 4. What do you think made him to be such furious? (2)

TOTAL: 10 MARKS

QUESTION 3: SUMMARY [10 MARKS]

Read the text below and summarise in seven important facts. Remember to write your facts in point/bullet form.

The Camel

The two-humped camels are larger and more hairy than the one-humped camel. The one humped camel is used for riding. It can gallop for up to eighteen hours, covering a distance of about 160km per day.

Camels are used to haul heavy loads across the desert. They can carry up to 270 kg on their backs and can cover 48 km in one day. Camels are sometimes called 'ships of the desert' because they carry baggage and people across long stretches of land.

A camel can last for a long time without anything to eat and drink. They can live for months without water. The hump of a camel does not store water, but fat. This is used for energy when food is scarce. A camel will eat almost anything.

If fresh water isn't available it will drink sea water.

Camels dislike everything and everybody – including other camels. They bite or kick for no reason.

At birth a camel calf looks like its mother, with legs almost as long as hers. However, it doesn't have any humps until it is two years old. At one month it will start grazing but drinks its mother's milk for almost a year.

Camel owners weave the soft woolly fur of their animals into warm clothes and blankets. The camel's tough skin provides leather for shoes, water bags and saddles. Camel bones can be carved for jewellery or utensils.

Total: 10 marks

QUESTION 4: LANGUAGE STRUCTURES AND CONVENTIONS [20 MARKS]

Read the text “**Mercury and the woodman**” again answer the questions that follow:

- 4.1.** Choose the correct PART OF SPEECH from the box to describe the underlined words in the following sentences.

common noun, adjective, finite verb, proper noun, adverb, conjunction
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- 4.1.1.** The axe flew from his hands (1)
- 4.1.2.** For a third time Mercury dived beneath the water. (1)
- 4.1.3.** One of the men was jealous. (1)
- 4.1.4.** The woodman was happy because he got his axe back. (1)
- 4.1.5.** The man eagerly reached out his hands to take his axe. (1)
- 4.1.6.** The axe hit a hard spot in a tree trunk. (1)
- 4.2.** The god was disgusted by the man’s dishonesty.
- 4.2.1.** Write down the **SUBJECT** and the **OBJECT** of the above sentence.(2)
- 4.2.2.** Write down the **PREDICATE** of the above sentence. (1)
- 4.2.3.** Choose an answer from the brackets:
- The punctuation in ‘man’s dishonesty’ is called **apostrophe (’)**. This punctuation represents (ownership/contraction). (1)
- 4.3.** Rewrite the following sentence in **REPORTED/INDIRECT SPEECH**.
- 4.3.1.** The woodman replied, “The gold axe is not mine.” (3)
- 4.4.** Read the following sentence and then rewrite it in **PASSIVE VOICE**:
- The man snatched the axe from Mercury. (2)

4.5. Supply the missing degrees of comparison for the words in this table. The first one has been done for you

fast	faster	fastest
4.5.1._____.	harder	4.5.2._____.
happy	4.5.3._____.	4.5.4._____.

(4)

4.6. Write a sentence using the word below.

4.6.1. Dived **(1)**

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