



Subject: Grade 9 English: Home Language

Topic: English HL: Term 2 - Exam 1

Total: 104 Marks

Name: _____

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Question 1: True/False

2 marks

The following sentence is correct:

The rainbow **were** extremely beautiful.

TRUE

FALSE

Question 2: True/False

2 marks

The following sentence is correct:

The castles **was** on the map that we had brought along.

TRUE

FALSE

This text refers to question: 3

Choose the correct article (a/ an/ the) in each sentence:

1. John wanted to read **a / an** comic book.
2. The class went on **a / an** field trip.
3. He likes to read **an / the** short stories.
4. Lisa put **a / an** orange on her yoghurt.
5. My mom likes making **an / the** cake from scratch.
6. The dog caught **a / an** stick.
7. I saw **a / an** otter at the zoo.
8. I quickly ate **the / an** cookies.

Question 3: True/False

2 marks

The answer to number 8 is the cookies.

TRUE

FALSE



This image refers to question: 4, 5



Question 4: True/False

2 marks

Refer to the tiger's speech bubble in frame 4 of the cartoon.

Assonance is used.

TRUE

FALSE

Question 5: Please Fill In The Blanks

4 marks

Refer to frame 4 of the cartoon.

Hobbes (the tiger) is struggling to swallow the cereal. This is evident because his **facial expression** shows that his (1) and his (2) .

Answer in alphabetical order.

Possible Answers: tongue is hanging out | nose is squinted | hands are around his neck | eyes are wide open

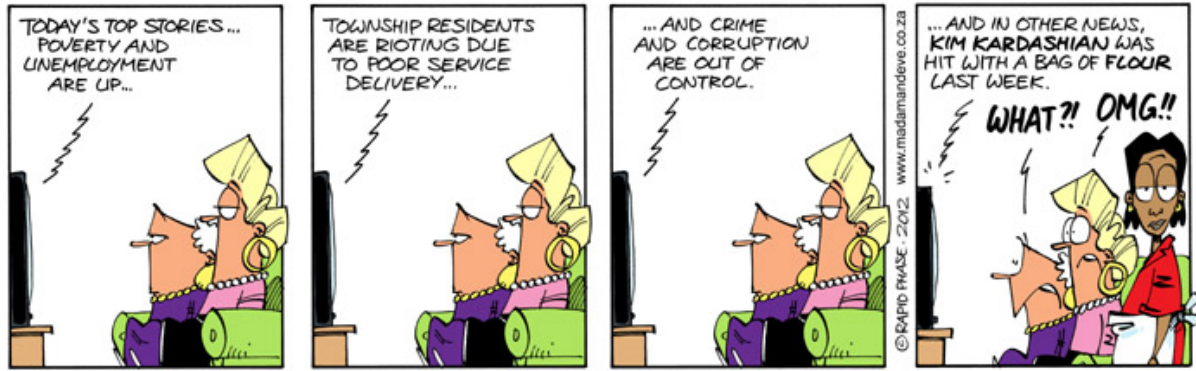
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MADAM & EVE

by Stephen Francis & Rico



Question 6: Multiple Choice

4 marks

Refer to frame 4.

How do we know that Madam and Granny are shocked?

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| A | Their eyes are wide open. |
| B | Their mouths are open. |
| C | Their words are in bold. |
| D | All of the above. |

Question 7: Text Input

3 marks

Refer to the cartoon.

The cartoon makes use of ... as a technique to create humour.

Provide a word (of 6 letters) which starts with a 's'.

Question 8: Multiple Choice

4 marks

Active voice is when the ... of the sentence is performing the action.

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| A | object |
| B | subject |
| C | verb |
| D | preposition |

This image refers to question: 9



Question 9: Text Input

3 marks

Refer to the visual.

What is **literally** in the bag?

Provide one word only.

Fire and Ice

By Robert Frost

Some say the world will end in fire,
Some say in ice.
From what I've tasted of desire
I hold with those who favor fire.
But if it had to perish twice,
I think I know enough of hate
To say that for destruction ice
Is also great
And would suffice.

Question 10: True/False

2 marks

Refer to the poem.

'world will' is an example of alliteration.

TRUE

FALSE

Question 11: Multiple Choice

4 marks

Refer to the poem.

'The world will perish' is an example of

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| A | a simile |
| B | a pun |
| C | personification |
| D | assonance |

Question 12: Please Fill In The Blanks

6 marks

They are playing a tennis match today.

Change the sentence to the passive voice by selecting the correct options:

(1) (2) (3) today.

Possible Answers: by them | will be played | A tennis match | is being played | was played

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Question 13: Please Fill In The Blanks

4 marks

The boy (1) measles and his sisters (2) contracted it too.

Possible Answers: has | will | am | have | are

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Question 14: Text Input

3 marks

What is the **acronym** for South African Police Services?

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Question 15: Multiple Choice

4 marks

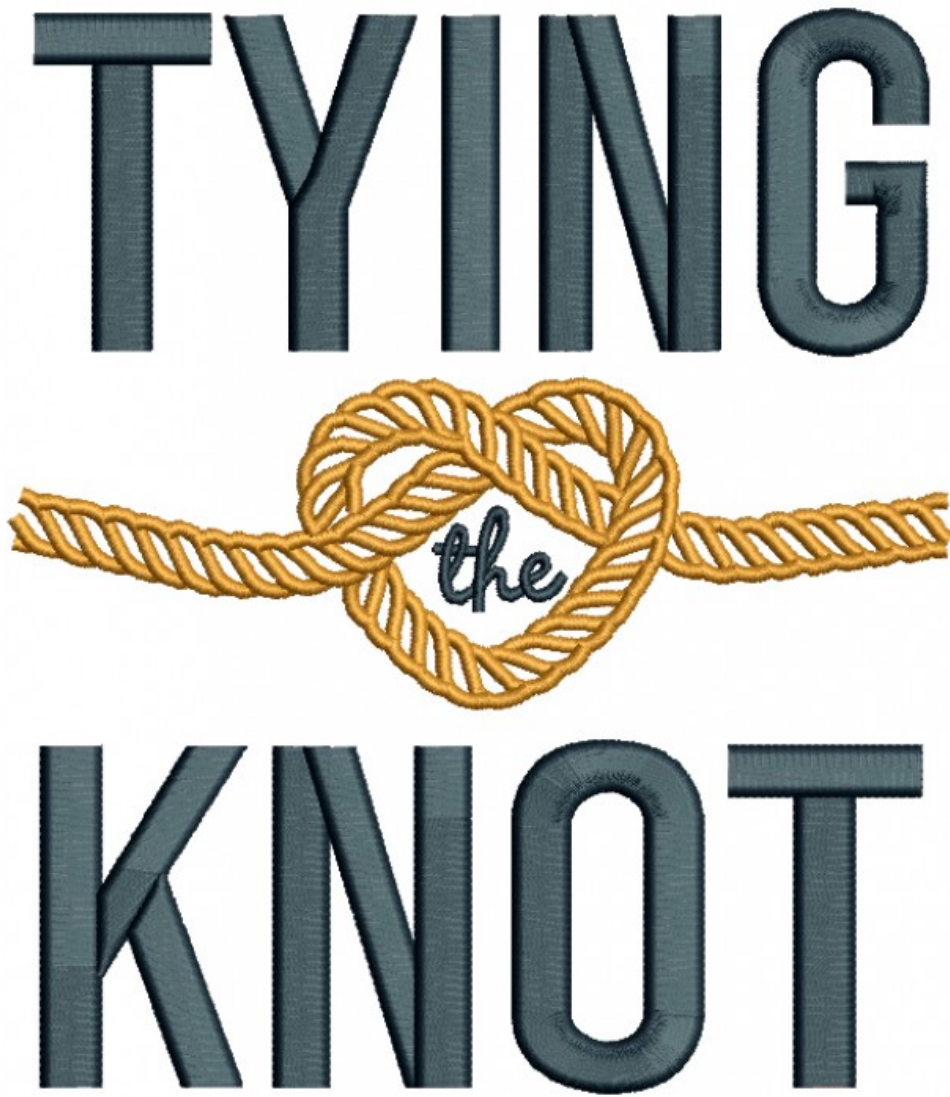
He noticed the finer retail of the painting.

The underlined word is an example of a **malapropism**.

'retail' should be ...

A	retell
B	detail
C	aspects
D	colours

This image refers to question: 16



Question 16: Multiple Choice

4 marks

Refer to the visual.

Figuratively, tying the knot means to

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| A | get married |
| B | build a ship |
| C | tie shoelaces |
| D | go fishing |

Question 17: Please Fill In The Blanks

6 marks

The word 'tip' is a **homonym**, as even though the spelling may remain the same, the word has different meanings.

'tip' can mean (1) , (2) and (3) .

Answer in alphabetical order of the first word.

Possible Answers: to give the waitress a gratuity | to fall | to go on holiday | a hint | the top of something

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Question 18: Please Fill In The Blanks

4 marks

The well-known **proverb** about outside appearance is:

(1) is in the (2) of the beholder.

Possible Answers: Love | eye | Beauty | look

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This text refers to question: 19, 20

Myth vs Fact: A Look at 5 Popular Yoga Claims

by Amanda MacMillan

1. Some people see yoga as a form of exercise or relaxation; others see it as a way of life. But whether you practise it regularly or have never set foot in a studio, chances are you have some long-held beliefs about yoga and its health and fitness benefits. Yoga proponents swear by its ability to cure disease and improve vitality, while skeptics might see it as little more than glorified stretching and chanting.

2. But the truth, says Charleston, S.C.-based yoga instructor Erica Rodefer, is that yoga is a versatile practice that can be modified to fit the needs of almost anyone who wants to learn. And to sort through the exaggerations, misunderstandings, and misconceptions, we looked at the research and talked to certified instructors to get their take on all things yoga. You may be surprised to learn the truth about something you already thought you knew.

3. Most types of yoga will not burn as many calories or get your heart pumping as much as a cardiovascular activity like running or biking; that part is true. But yoga has been shown to improve flexibility, balance and strength -- three very important parts of physical fitness, says Sophie Herbert, a life coach and yoga instructor in Brooklyn, New York. And you'll certainly work up a sweat in vigorous, high-intensity classes like Vinyasa Flow, Bikram (or hot yoga), Ashtanga, and Core Power Yoga.

4. People tell me all the time: 'I can't do yoga because I can't touch my toes,'" says Brigitte Bourdeau, a yoga instructor in New York City. "I tell them, 'Sure you can do yoga. Just bend your knees.'" The idea that you have to already be flexible in order to see any benefit from a yoga class is just plain wrong, she insists. Instructors know how to modify poses so that people of all fitness and flexibility levels can do them, and so you can watch your flexibility improve with time and regular practice.

5. It may not be the magical cure-all that some instructors would lead you to believe - and, in fact, it's not unheard of for students to actually sustain injuries from yoga classes (Interestingly, men seem to be especially at risk.) [Source: Broad] But there are also real, proven benefits to a regular yoga practice, as well. Several studies have found, for instance, that yoga can help reduce and prevent chronic low-back pain, insomnia, and anxiety. [Source: NIH] Restorative yoga can also help stretch out tight, injury-prone muscles, especially in runners and other athletes.

Question 19: Text Input

3 marks

Refer to paragraph 5 of the article.

What word shows that **facts** have been produced in this paragraph?

Provide one word from the paragraph as your answer.

Question 20: Text Input

3 marks

Refer to paragraph 1 of the article.

Seeing yoga as a form of relaxation is a **subjective o...**

Provide one word, beginning with an 'o', as an answer.

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Question 21: Please Fill In The Blanks

6 marks

SARS is an (1) which stands for (2) African Revenue (3) .

Possible Answers: Services | acronym | initialism | South | Shops

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Question 22: Please Fill In The Blanks

6 marks

Mieke said, "I enjoy pizza, but I love pasta."

When rewriting this sentence into **reported speech**, the sentence would be:

Mieke said (1) she (2) pizza, but she (3) pasta.

Possible Answers: if | loved | enjoys | enjoyed | that | loves

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Question 23: Text Input

3 marks

A ... clause cannot stand alone, but does contain a finite verb.

Provide only one word as your answer.

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Question 24: Text Input

3 marks

I can ... the waves of the sea.

Provide the correct **homophone** of the underlined word above.

Question 25: Multiple Choice

4 marks

George moaned, "I don't want to go to school."

When rewriting the sentence above into **reported speech**, it becomes:

George moaned that ... didn't want to go to school.

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| A | she |
| B | I |
| C | him |
| D | he |



This image refers to question: 26



Question 26: Text Input

3 marks

Refer to the advertisement.

'Enjoyneering' should be 'engineering'. This is an example of a

Provide only one word as your answer.

Question 27: Text Input

3 marks

Gareth said, "The hike was exhausting."

Rewrite the sentence above in **reported speech**.

Fill in the entire sentence as your answer.

Question 28: True/False

2 marks

Salt of the earth is an **idiom** that means the ocean is heavily polluted.

☐ TRUE☐ FALSE**Question 29: Text Input**

3 marks

The **idiomatic expression** that means to initiate or be the first to begin is known as 'breaking the ...'.

Fill in only one word as your answer.

Question 30: True/False

2 marks

The girl, with the puppy, has red hair.

This example is an **adjectival phrase**.

☐ TRUE☐ FALSE

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