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Basic Education
REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA

NATIONAL SENIOR CERTIFICATE

GRADE 12

ENGLISH HOME LANGUAGE P3

FEBRUARY/MARCH 2015

MARKS: 100

TIME: 2½ hours

This question paper consists of 8 pages.

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INSTRUCTIONS AND INFORMATION

1. This question paper consists of TWO sections:

   SECTION A: Essay (50)
   SECTION B: Transactional Texts: 2 x 25 (50)

2. Answer ONE question from SECTION A and TWO questions from SECTION B.

3. Write in the language in which you are being assessed.

4. Start EACH section on a NEW page.

5. You must plan (e.g. a mind map/diagram/flow chart/key words, etc.), edit and proof-read your work. The plan must appear BEFORE the answer.

6. All planning must be clearly indicated as such. It is advisable to draw a line through all planning.

7. You are strongly advised to spend approximately:

   - 80 minutes on SECTION A
   - 70 minutes on SECTION B

8. Number each response as the topics are numbered in the question paper.

9. The title/heading must NOT be considered when doing a word count.

10. Write neatly and legibly.

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SECTION A: ESSAY

QUESTION 1

Write an essay of 400–450 words (2–2½ pages) on ONE of the following topics. Write down the NUMBER and TITLE/HEADING of your essay.

1.1 A handful of miracles **[50]**

1.2 Secrecy **[50]**

1.3 'The soul would have no rainbow, if the eyes had no tears.'
(Indigenous American proverb) **[50]**

1.4 A borderless world **[50]**

1.5 'What is freedom of expression? Without the freedom to offend, it ceases to exist.'
(Salman Rushdie) **[50]**

1.6 The pictures reproduced on pages 4 and 5 may evoke a reaction or feeling in you or stir your imagination.

Select ONE picture and write an essay in response. Write the question number (1.6.1, 1.6.2 or 1.6.3) of your choice and give your essay a title.

NOTE: There must be a clear link between your essay and the picture you have chosen.

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1.6.1

[Source: *Reader's Digest*, October 2013] **[50]**

1.6.2

[Source: www.bing.com/images] **[50]**

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1.6.3

[Source: www.bing.com/images] **[50]**

TOTAL SECTION A: 50

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SECTION B: TRANSACTIONAL TEXTS

QUESTION 2

- Respond to TWO of the following topics.
- The BODY of your answer should be 180–200 words (20–25 lines) in length.
- Pay careful attention to the following:
  - Audience, register, tone and style
  - Choice of words and language structure
  - Format
- Write down the NUMBER and TITLE/HEADING of the text you have chosen, e.g. 2.1 Formal Letter.

2.1 **FORMAL LETTER**

The advertisement below appeared in a magazine. Write a letter to Ubuntu Welfare Organisation, offering your support.

The bare reality is ...

[Source: www.img295.imageshack.us]

... poverty is right on your doorstep!

At UBUNTU WELFARE ORGANISATION, we walk the talk.

STEP UP AND SUPPORT!

Please help us to provide for impoverished communities.
Write to **Ubuntu Welfare Organisation**, P.O. Box 293, Pretoria, 0001.

[25]

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2.2 **SPEECH**

A group of young people has gathered to protest against an issue that affects them.

As the chairperson of a youth group, write the speech that you would deliver to the protestors. **[25]**

2.3 **OBITUARY**

An actor/artist/novelist/poet/musician has died tragically.

Write the obituary for publication in a newspaper. **[25]**

2.4 **FORMAL REPORT**

Parents have complained about the unhealthy food sold at the school tuck shop. The principal has instructed you to conduct an investigation and to compile a formal report.

Write the report that you will submit to the principal. **[25]**

2.5 **LETTER TO THE EDITOR**

You have visited a local hospital where you witnessed patients being treated poorly by the hospital staff.

Write a letter to the editor on the state of health care in that hospital. **[25]**

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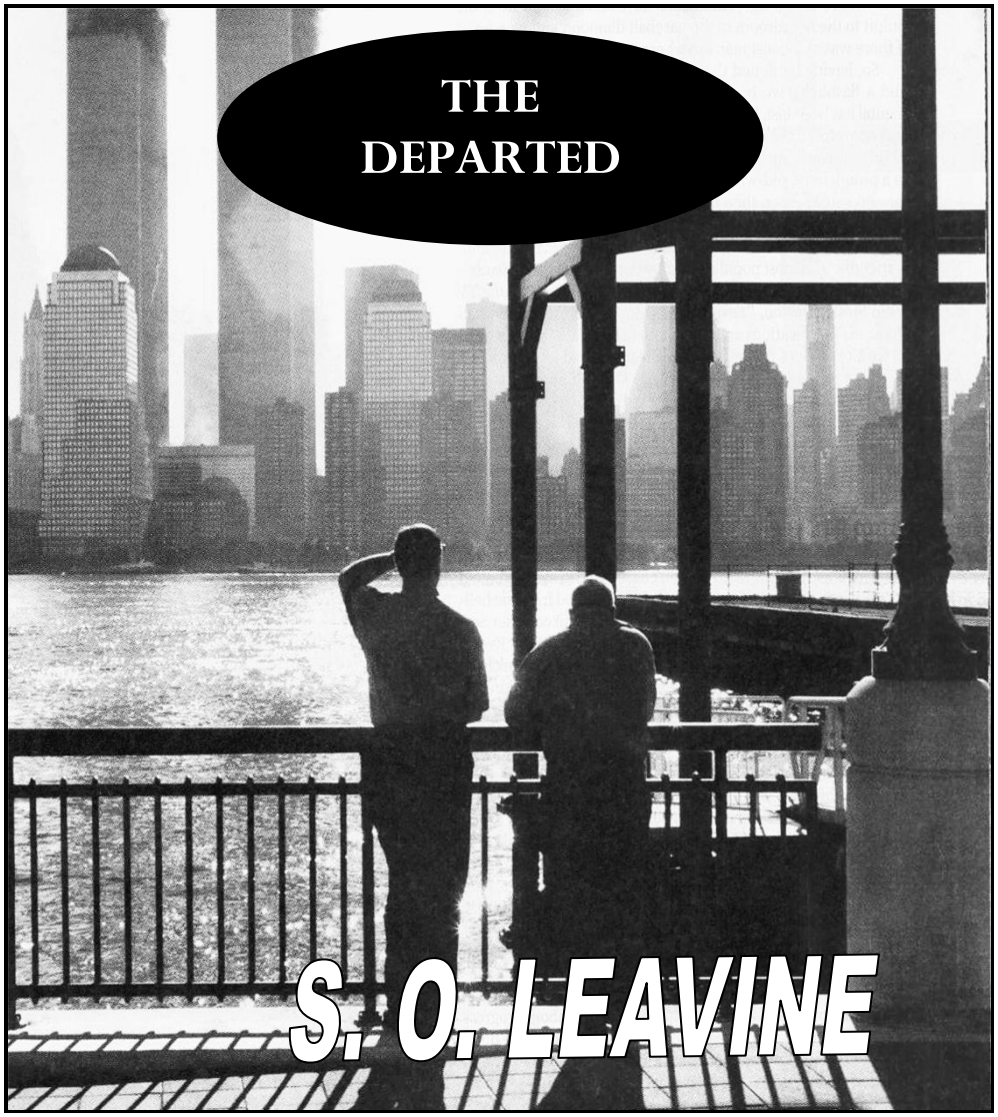
2.6 **BOOK REVIEW**

Study the cover below and then write a review of the novel, *The Departed,* for a publication.



[Adapted from *Time*, September 2002] **[25]**

TOTAL SECTION B: 50
GRAND TOTAL: 100

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