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**APPLIED ENGLISH LANGUAGE STUDIES:
FURTHER EXPLORATIONS**

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This examination question paper consists of 5 pages.

SECTION A**QUESTION 1: COHESION**

Read the extract below and answer the questions that follow

'I wish my sister could receive a bursary to study at a residential university next year', Masindi thought aloud. Overhearing her, but failing to understand how concerned Masindi was about the matter, Jason replied, 'Well, what's stopping her from doing that?' Masindi retorted, 'Why do you act like you don't understand my situation?' Jason answered almost dismissively, 'What situation? That really upset Masindi and she said 'I really do not want to go into this.' Still not understanding the gravity of the matter, Jason responded: 'Oh, somebody is cranky this morning!' Almost immediately, Masindi said, 'I said I will not go into this.' Jason, in his usual dismissive way, replied, 'Well, I'll be ready to listen when you are ready to 'go into it'.' Not wanting to be involved in a conversation that she thought would not take her anywhere, Masindi responded, with a note of finality in her voice, 'Why do you still want to talk about it if you are not interested in it? It is a serious matter to me.'

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1. Identify two cohesive devices in the extract and explain how they have been used to enhance meaning.
(5 x 2 = 10)
2. Explain in 5-6 lines the context of the extract. Justify your answer by giving examples (5)

QUESTION2: LANGUAGE USE, MEANING AND CONTEXT

Caption: "BEST OF BOTH WORLDS: The Mercedes-Benz GLA performs in the city and on the open road"



In a passage of not more than a page long, comment on the appropriateness of the caption to the picture above. In your remarks, indicate whether or not there is correspondence between the image of the car and the implicit power and competence.

Consider the following aspects in your analysis: visual presentation, layout and make of the car

(15)

TOTAL FOR SECTION A: 30 MARKS

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SECTION B: GENRE AND REGISTER

Read Text A In no more than 1 page, analyze the text according to

- Genre (5)
- Context and meaning (10)
- Register (5)

TEXT A

The early sixties had been a period of considerable violence Although the ANC and PAC were banned they were active underground *Umkhonto we Sizwe* (The Spear of the Nation), the ANC's military wing had launched a campaign of sabotage, government offices were bombed, electric pylons blown up, telephone lines cut.

Mandela said that they had decided on sabotage rather than terrorism because they did not want to kill anyone Their aim was to scare away foreign capital and draw world attention to South Africa On 12 June 1964 the seven month trial ended, Mandela and seven others, including one white, were sentenced to life imprisonment The verdict was followed by a fresh outbreak of sabotage

The fear of avenging black masses, whether Communist or not, provided the justification for all measures to safeguard the security of the state Most white people, therefore, were not going to quibble that some of the provisions of the terrorism Act were more suited to a police state

(Taken from Harrison, 1987 127-219)

TOTAL FOR SECTION B: 20 MARKS

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SECTION C: ESSAY

In this section, you are required to choose only **ONE** of the options Answer either Question 1 **OR** Question 2

Question 1

Online dating offers the dream of removing the historic obstacles to true love (time, space, your dad sitting on the porch with a shotgun across his lap and an expression that says no boy is good enough for my girl). And online dating sites, which in the US are growing at 70% a year, surely make it easier than ever to meet the Prince Charming or the Fairytale Princess of your, frankly, infantile dreams. At least that's what cinderella69 believes

<http://www.theguardian.com/lifeandstyle/2012/feb/06/its-online-dating-destroying-love>

Using the extract above as a point of departure, discuss online dating. Then write an essay of about one and a half pages. Your essay should include arguments for and against online-dating.

Use the following guidelines for your Essay:

- Your essay **MUST** have an introduction, body and conclusion
- Avoid emotional language
- Evidence of proof reading is essential and will enhance the quality of your essay
- Support all assertions/arguments

OR

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Question 2

Read the headline below about a prisoner who escaped by using a basketball hoop to jump over the fence

A physically fit felon escaped from a detention facility in Arizona by scaling a basketball hoop in the yard and then jumping from it onto a fence, authorities said on Monday.

<http://www.reuters.com/article/2014/07/29/us-usa-arizona-inmate-idUSKBN0FY0WU20140729>

Write an essay of about one and a half pages. Using the extract above as a point of departure, discuss whether you believe that prisoners should be allowed to go outside into the yard to exercise or play sports. Your response should include arguments for and against the practise of allowing inmates to exercise or play sports outside

Use the following guidelines for Your Essay:

- Your essay **MUST** have an introduction, body and conclusion
- Avoid emotional language
- Evidence of proof reading is essential and will enhance the quality of your essay
- Support all assertions/arguments

TOTAL FOR SECTION C: 50 MARKS