



# basic education

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Basic Education  
**REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA**

**NATIONAL  
SENIOR CERTIFICATE**

**GRADE 12**

**ENGLISH HOME LANGUAGE P3**

**FEBRUARY/MARCH 2016**

**MARKS: 100**

**TIME: 2½ hours**

**This question paper consists of 7 pages.**

**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 (using a mind map/a diagram/a flow chart/key words), edit and proofread 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 your time as follows:  

SECTION A: approximately 80 minutes
SECTION B: approximately 2 x 35 minutes (70 minutes)
8. Number the answers correctly according to the numbering system used in the question paper.
9. The title/heading must not be considered when doing a word count.
10. Write neatly and legibly.

**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 The uncomfortable truth [50]
- 1.2 The most beautiful fruit may contain a worm. (Zulu proverb) [50]
- 1.3 The invisible man [50]
- 1.4 'There is no moral authority like that of sacrifice.' (Nadine Gordimer) [50]
- 1.5 Burning bridges [50]
- 1.6 'Forgiveness is the fragrance the violet sheds on the heel that has crushed it.' (Mark Twain) [50]
- 1.7 The pictures reproduced below and on page 4 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 (1.7.1 or 1.7.2) 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.

1.7.1



[Source: [www.bluebots.com](http://www.bluebots.com)]

**[50]**

1.7.2



[Source: [www.fcbk.stingtung.com](http://www.fcbk.stingtung.com)]

[50]

**TOTAL SECTION A: 50**

**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 Letter to the Press.

**2.1 LETTER TO THE PRESS**

Restaurants in your town do not make provision for disabled people.

Write a letter to the press in which you voice your views and suggest measures that restaurants should employ to make their establishments more accessible for the disabled.

**[25]****2.2 NEWSPAPER ARTICLE**

Reality television shows are often slated for cheap sensationalism.

Write a newspaper article, expressing various views on reality television shows.

**[25]****2.3 INFORMAL SPEECH**

A trend among the youth is causing their elders sleepless nights.

Write a speech to be delivered at a meeting and in which you attempt to allay their fears.

**[25]**

2.4 **INTERVIEW**

You have been short-listed for the position of airline cabin crew member, as advertised in a national newspaper. The advertisement for the position appears below.

Using the dialogue form, write the interview that takes place.



**BE PART OF A STORY WORTH TELLING**

**JOIN OUR AWARD-WINNING 5-STAR CABIN CREW TEAM  
CAPE TOWN, SOUTH AFRICA**

Our Cabin Crew are Qatar Airways' ambassadors to the world. Dinner in Paris, lunch in New York, breakfast in Montreal while cruising the world at 40 000 feet ... not your typical office job. Our Cabin Crew team is growing. We are looking for candidates who can provide excellence and 5-star hospitality.

Join our multinational Cabin Crew team and enjoy a tax-free remuneration package including accommodation and allowances.

Venue: African Pride Crystal Towers Hotel & Spa, Cape Town  
Date: 9 May 2015  
Time: 09:00  
Attire: Formal business attire

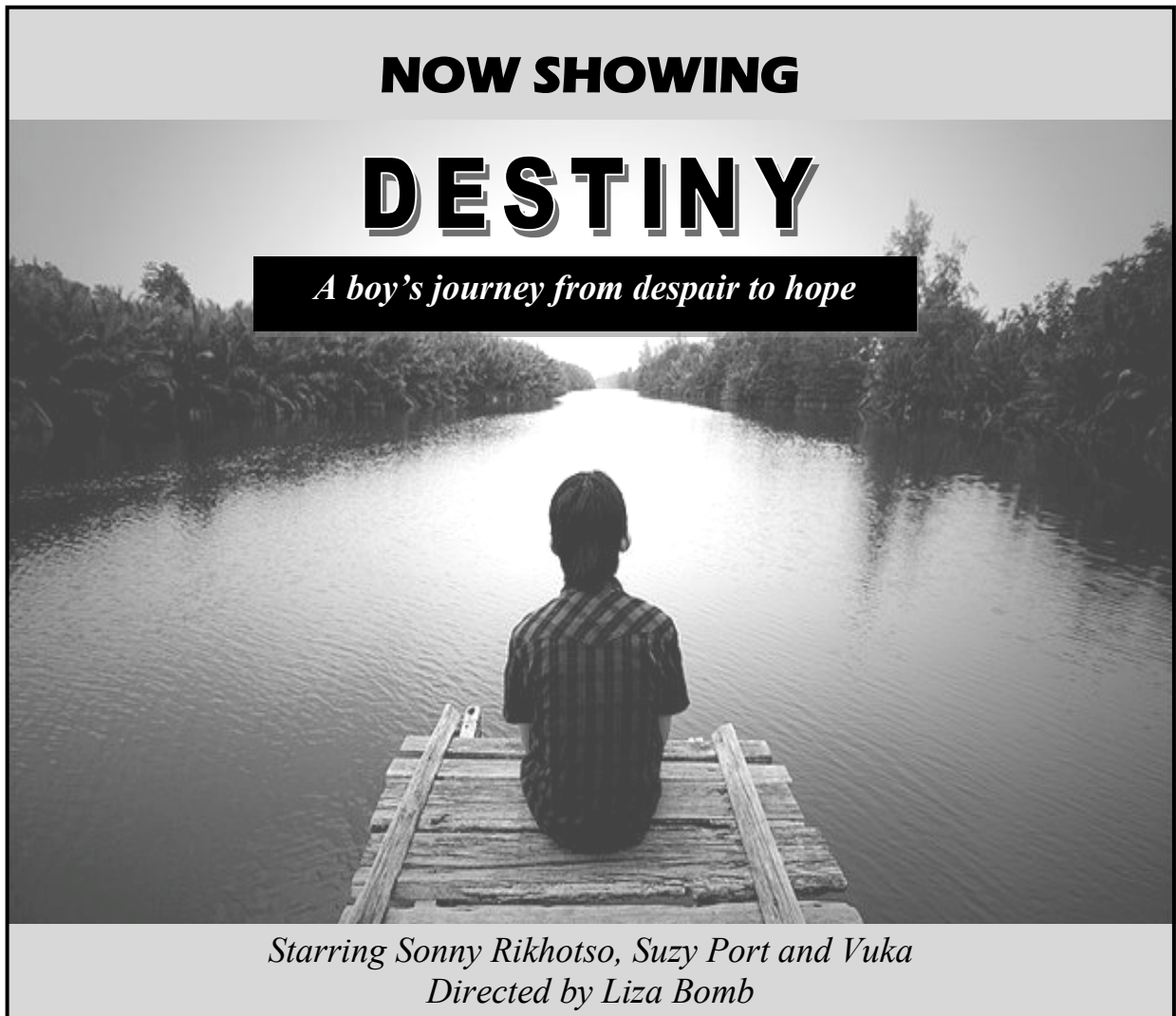
Please bring your CV, in English, along with full-length and passport-size photographs.

For further information, please visit [qatarairways.com](http://qatarairways.com)




[Adapted from *Sunday Times*, 27 July 2014]

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2.5 **FILM REVIEW**[Adapted from [www.psidd.com](http://www.psidd.com)]

You have watched a film titled *Destiny*. A poster advertising the film appears above.

Write a review of the film that will appear in a local newspaper.

**[25]**2.6 **LETTER OF CONGRATULATIONS**

A young person in your community has achieved international recognition for a ground-breaking invention.

Write a letter to this person, congratulating him/her on the achievement.

**[25]****TOTAL SECTION B:****50****GRAND TOTAL:****100**