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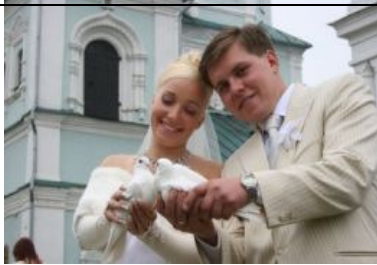
INSTRUCTIONS AND INFORMATION

1. Answer ALL the questions.
 2. This paper consists of FIVE sections:

SECTION A: COMPREHENSION
SECTION B: SUMMARY
SECTION C: GRAMMAR
SECTION D: LEARNING IN A VOCATIONAL CONTEXT
SECTION E: VISUAL AND MULTI-MEDIA TEXT
 3. Read ALL the questions carefully.
 4. Number the answers according to the numbering system used in this question paper.
 5. Start each section on a NEW page.
 6. Leave a line between answers.
 7. Take note of the number of marks allocated per question.
 8. Plan your time carefully.
 9. Write neatly and legibly.
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SECTION A: COMPREHENSION**QUESTION 1**

Read the following passage carefully and then answer the questions that follow.

**PROUDLY SOUTH AFRICAN WEDDING CEREMONIES**

All cultures share a sense of tradition when it comes to the joining together of husband and wife. The following text is about interesting cultural wedding traditions in South Africa.

THE CHRISTIAN CEREMONY

A Christian marriage is a public declaration of love and commitment, in front of friends and family and traditionally takes place in a church. Generally speaking, the bride wears white. During the ceremony there will be readings from the gospel, followed by the exchange of wedding vows and rings. The ring symbolizes the unbreakable bond between husband and wife. The minister then introduces the newly wedded couple to the congregation as husband and wife.

ZULU-AFRICAN TRADITIONAL

The wedding process begins with the lobola agreement which is considered as an indication of the groom's commitment to his future bride. It is also compensation to the father and his kraal for the loss of their daughter (no lobola, no wedding). African weddings are characterised by joyous singing, ululating and dancing. No invitations are sent and the whole community can join in the celebrations. No wedding vows are exchanged.

In Zulu weddings the bride wears a traditional headdress, beautiful beaded necklaces and a soft leather apron. The marriage is only finalised when the bride is taken to be bathed and examined by her sisters-in-law the morning after the wedding.

HINDU WEDDINGS

A Hindu wedding includes ancient rituals and customs. Tradition dictates that these rituals take place over several days. However, with the hectic lifestyle of today, many of these traditions take place the night before and on the day of the wedding. Several days before the wedding, the bride's hands and feet are decorated with Mendhi, an exotic hair dye. Intricate designs decorate the bride's hands and feet.

The wedding ceremony is held under a four-pole shelter called a Mandap. In the first part of the ceremony the bride's parents wash the couple's feet with milk and water to purify them for a new life. In the second part the bride's right hand is placed on the groom's right hand while the priest recites holy verses. Loops of raw white cotton are wound 24 times around the shoulders of the bride and groom. This symbolises an unbreakable bond.



JEWISH



Jewish weddings are rich with tradition, rituals and religious requirements and can be classified as either orthodox or non-orthodox. However, all Jewish weddings have several common features. The chuppah (the canopy the couple stands under during the ceremony, usually made of four poles with fabric covering the top only), the ketubah (marriage contract) and the badeken (veiling of the bride) are all common elements in Jewish weddings. The most recognised feature is the breaking of the glass after the wedding ceremony and the shouting of 'mazel tov (good luck) and l'chaim (to life).

There are many other cultures within the South African context which also adhere to certain wedding rituals and traditions. The examples above illustrate the wonderful diversity of our country.

Adapted from: www.media24.co.za

1.1 What does the word '*minister*' in paragraph 1 mean? Choose the correct answer from the options given below. Write only the number of the question and the letter of the option you choose.

- A The head of the family
- B The church pastor
- C A cabinet minister
- D The master of ceremonies (1)

1.2 Where do Christian weddings traditionally take place? (1)

1.3 Say in your own words what you understand by '*wedding vows*'. (2)

1.4 What is the difference between the way the 'unbreakable bond between husband and wife' is symbolized in the Christian and Hindu wedding ceremonies? (2)

- 1.5 Name THREE features that characterise a Zulu-African traditional wedding celebration. (3)
- 1.6 Refer to the following phrase:
'(no lobola, no wedding)'
- 1.6.1 What is lobola? (2)
- 1.6.2 What is the implication if no lobola is paid? (1)
- 1.7 Do you agree with the following statement?
'African traditional wedding requires the two families to budget for invited guests only'. Motivate your answer by quoting from the passage. (3)
- 1.8 What is the name of the exotic ointment that is used to decorate the hands and feet of a Hindu bride? (1)
- 1.9 Which ONE of the many rituals/ traditions performed at a Hindi wedding do you consider to be the most intriguing? Give a reason for your answer. Do not quote. (2)
- 1.10 Say whether the following statement is TRUE or FALSE. Motivate your answer by quoting from the text.
'A Hindi wedding is celebrated on one day only.' (3)
- 1.11 Refer to the section on the Jewish wedding. Choose a description from COLUMN B that matches a/an word/item in COLUMN A. Write only the letter (A – D) next to the question number (1.11.1 – 1.11.4) in the ANSWER BOOK.
- | COLUMN A | | COLUMN B | |
|----------|-----------|----------|------------------------------------|
| 1.11.1 | Chuppah | A | Good wishes |
| 1.11.2 | Ketubah | B | The veiling of the bride |
| 1.11.3 | Badeken | C | The canopy the couple stands under |
| 1.11.4 | Mazel tov | D | The marriage contract |
- (4)
- 1.12 Do you think wedding traditions are still important? Give a reason for your answer. (3)
- 1.13 After reading this article, what have you learnt about South Africa and its diverse cultures? (2)

[30]**TOTAL SECTION A: 30**

SECTION B: SUMMARY**QUESTION 2**

Read the following text carefully and then write a summary on **WHY YOUNG PEOPLE STILL BELIEVE IN MARRIAGE**. Your summary should be no less than 55 words and not more than 60 words.

INSTRUCTIONS

- List SIX reasons why young people still believe in marriage.
- Use full sentences and make sure they follow logically.
- Use your own words as far as possible. You will be penalised for copying facts verbatim from the passage.
- Number your sentences.
- Write only ONE fact per line.
- DO NOT exceed the number of words stated above. Indicate the number of words you have used in brackets at the end of the summary.

YOUNG PEOPLE STILL BELIEVES IN MARRIAGE.

Despite the increasing rate of divorce and the number of people preferring to live together before marriage, one cannot deny that marriage is held in high esteem by most people. Marriage is still considered to be a 'holy' union in all cultures and religions and universally it is the most socially accepted institution.

When a marriage works, it is the best possible relationship that two people can have. It offers a sense of security, commitment, sharing and a common view for the future. Marriage offers a person a sense of direction and something to work around. When a man works hard all day, nothing can give him more satisfaction than coming home to a warm and happy family. A woman, no matter how independent, revels in knowing that she has a safe home and a secure future with her husband. A happy marriage provides children with a strong foundation.

As people get older and their interests and focus changes, the pace of life gets slower and they have more time to enjoy the fruits of all their labour. Rather than being alone, having a partner who has shared common ups and downs and weathered storms, definitely enhances a person's life.

Source:News.tradingcharts.com

TOTAL SECTION B: 10

SECTION C: GRAMMAR**QUESTION 3**

Examine the dictionary entry in the box below and then answer the questions that follow.

turn v - *against, develop hostile or unfriendly feelings towards someone; -away, refuse permission to attend, dismiss ; - down, refuse an offer, request or proposal; - off e.g. a liquid, appliance etc; 2. change direction e.g. on a road To get to Harare, turn off the main road in 2km; - on, 1. start e.g. a liquid, electricity, appliance etc, 2. become hostile and physically aggressive The dog turned on the postman and bit him; - out, 1. produce The factory turns out hundreds of bicycles each day. 2. extinguish e.g. a light, 3. remove, force someone to leave They turned the old woman out of her house. 4. assemble, gather eg for a special event; - over, 1. change position, 2. give control or someone to another person; - to, go to someone especially for help; - up, 1. (of people) arrive, appear, 2 to appear often unexpectedly The book you lost has turned up 3. increase e.g. in the volume of sound on a radio.

3.1 The information in the box above shows how the word 'turn' is used with various prepositions.

Answer the questions below by giving the correct prepositions. Write only the answer next to the question number (3.1.1 – 3.1.7) in the ANSWER BOOK.

- 3.1.1 He asked her to marry him but she turned him ... (1)
- 3.1.2 James thought he had lost his best pair of shoes for the wedding but then they turned ... in a drawer. (1)
- 3.1.3 Eric turned ... the volume of the DVD player and listened to the bridal song for rehearsal purposes. Sandra hates loud music so she turned the volume ... (2)
- 3.1.4 We expected only a few people to come to the wedding, but in fact many people turned ... (1)
- 3.1.5 The car carrying the flowers and food crashed into the barrier and turned ... (1)
- 3.1.6 After her husband died Mrs. Mhlanga turned ... her in-laws because she did not trust them.. (1)
- 3.1.7 The hotel manager had to turn ... all uninvited guests as there were no longer any seats available. (1)
- 3.2 Give the plural for the following words. Write down only the question number and the answer.
- 3.2.1 wife (1)
- 3.2.2 family (1)
- 3.2.3 woman (1)

3.3 Combine the following sentences by using the words in brackets.

The groom's parents were not present at the wedding. The bride's parents were not present at the wedding. (*neither/ nor*) (2)

3.4 Rewrite the following sentence in the present tense.

'After the wedding vows, the couple exchanged rings, kissed and then the minister announced them husband and wife.' (3)

3.5 Change the following statement each time as indicated.

'African weddings are characterised by joyous singing, ululating and dancing'

3.5.1 Write the above sentence into the negative form. (2)

3.5.2 Write the above sentence as a question so that the answer to your question is: *'Joyous singing, ululating and dancing.'* (2)

3.6 Rewrite the following statement in reported speech:

'I want to spend the rest of my life with you. I cannot wait to make you my wife.'

Start your answer with the following: *He said that ...* (4)

3.7 Re-write the following sentence in the passive voice.

The bride's parents wash the couple's feet with milk and water.

Start your answer with the following: *The couple's feet...* (3)

3.8 Match the idioms in Column A with its meaning in Column B. Write only the letter (A – C) next to the question number (3.8.1 – 3.8.3) in the ANSWER BOOK.

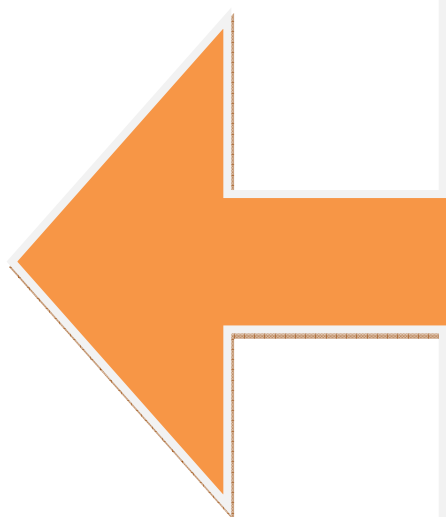
COLUMN A		COLUMN B	
3.8.1	She <u>walked on air</u> because she felt like a million dollars in her wedding gown.	A	caused rapturous applause
3.8.2	She <u>walked at a snail's pace</u> because her wedding gown felt so heavy.	B	happy and excited
3.8.3	She said that on her wedding day her wedding gown <u>will bring the house down</u> .	C	very slowly

TOTAL SECTION C: 30

SECTION D: LEARNING IN A VOCATIONAL CONTEXT

QUESTION 4

Study the following telephone directory entry and then answer the questions that follow.



+ Mable Dr ...13 First St
Dental surgeon011 574 6789
 + Mabikie s' Wedding gowns... 4 Jacaranda Ave
 Tel/Fax.....011 574-6823
 + Mahlangu TH (Ms.) 5 Third Ave....011 655-5134
 + Marosh Z Architect Box 554.....011 509-9416
 + Masechaba Transport services & limousine hiring
Bus hours011 952-8542
A/O..... 011 952-8532
 + Masherru Caterers 1120 corner of First &Third St
011 544-4123
 + Masithela JB Attorney Box 41.....011 553-0952
 Open Mon-Fri 8-4.30 Sat 8-11.30
 + Marvelous Jewelers
 (Watchmaker & Repairs).....011 509-1192
 + Mohahlele Butchery Box 44.....011 609-1092
 FOR THE BEST MEAT visit us at 56 Jacaranda Ave
 + Moretele Bible College011634984
 Principal/Pastor Dr F.K Mashamba011634975
 + Mosoabi Printers and Wedding souvenirs
011 603-1091
 + Muller's Suit Hire and tailoring011602 4563

- 4.1 At what times are JB Masithela Attorney open for business? (2)
- 4.2 What is Dr Mable's profession? (1)
- 4.3 What additional information, besides a telephone number, is given about TH Mahlangu? (2)
- 4.4 Who will you call if you are looking for an architect to design your new house? (1)
- 4.5 What number must you call if you need a taxi after hours? (1)
- 4.6 What business will you call if you want to buy meat? (1)
- 4.7 Who should a bridegroom call to have a suit made? (1)

- 4.8 Who can be contacted to print wedding invitations? (1)
- 4.9 Write out in full the following underlined abbreviations.
 - 4.9.1 13 First St (1)
 - 4.9.2 4 Jacaranda Ave (1)
 - 4.9.3 A/H.....011 952-8532 (1)
 - 4.9.4 Bus hours 011 952-8542 (1)
- 4.10 What company will one call to hire a limousine for the wedding occasion? (1)

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TOTAL SECTION D: 15

SECTION E: VISUAL AND MULTI-MEDIA TEXTS

QUESTION 5

Study the following media article on the film 'White Wedding,' and then answer the questions that follow.



Actors: Kenneth Nkosi; Jodie Whittaker; Rapulana Seiphemo; Zandile Msutwana



OVER VIEW:

The loyal, committed and very decent Elvis (Kenneth Nkosi) leaves Johannesburg for Cape Town. En route he picks up his best friend and best man Tumi (Rapulana Seiphemo) in Durban. The two will then drive on to Cape Town to begin rehearsals for Elvis's wedding to the beautiful Ayanda (Zandile Msutwana). But things don't go according to plan. As Tumi and Elvis struggle to find their way through the Eastern Cape they are given a lift by Rose (Jodie Whittaker), a young English doctor. Now there's an unlikely trio on the road, with romantic sparks igniting. Who knows if they'll make it on time, whether the wedding will be delayed or come dangerously close to not even happening?

Director: Gabriele Muccino

Writer: Steve Conrad

Genre: Comedy

Release Date: 16 February 2007 in South Africa

Awards: Nominated for an Oscar in the Foreign Category

Tip Box
An Oscar is the award presented by the American Academy of Motion Pictures for excellent performances in various categories of the film industry. The ceremony takes place in America every year.

Source: User Comments: www.whitewedding.co.za

- 5.1 The above media text is an example of Choose the answer from the options given below. Write only the letter (A – B) next to the question number (5.1) in the ANSWER BOOK.
- A a short story
 B a film review
 C an advertisement
 D a drama (1)
- 5.2 Which one of the two main characters is the one engaged to be married? (1)
- 5.3 In the main picture, one man has a cigar in his mouth and the one next to him is holding his head. Comment on the contrast in the body language of these two men. (2)
- 5.4 Write down the real life names of three actors featured in this film? (3)

- 5.5 The following sentence implies that something happened to the two men.
Write down what you think it could be.
'But things don't go according to plan'. (1)
- 5.6 Why did Rose give the two men a lift? (1)
- 5.7 Briefly explain why '*romantic sparks igniting*' was not such a good idea. (2)
- 5.8 Give a reason why '*White Wedding*' received an Oscar nomination in the Foreign Category. (2)
- 5.9 What do you think is the purpose of this review? (2)

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TOTAL SECTION E: 15
GRAND TOTAL: 100