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ENGLISH LANGUAGE

111/02

Paper 2

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2 hours

Candidates answer on the question paper

READ THESE INSTRUCTIONS FIRST

1. Write your name, Centre number and candidate number in the spaces provided on this page.
2. Write your answers in **dark blue** or **black** ink and **NOT** pencil.
3. Do not use correction fluid.
4. Write in a clear handwriting.
5. Answer **all** questions.
6. Dictionaries are **NOT** allowed.
7. **Punctuation** and **spelling** errors may be penalised.

PART 1	PART 2	PART 3	TOTAL
15	25	10	50

This document consists of **10** printed pages and **2** blank pages.

PART 1: LISTENING COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS

1 How long is the Congo Basin?

.....[1]

2 Where do mountain gorillas live?

.....[1]

3 How much can an old gorilla weigh? (give **two** details)

(i)

(ii).....[2]

4 How long can gorillas live in their natural habitat?

.....[1]

5 Why are gorillas known as herbivores?

.....[1]

6 As gorillas eat plants, they Seeds which allows plants to
grow over areas. [2]

7 Which wild animal eats gorillas?

.....[1]

8 Why do people destroy the gorillas natural habitat will? (give **three** details)

(i)

(ii)

(iii)[3]

9 Why do humans capture gorillas? (give **two** details)

(i)

(ii).....[2]

10 Why should humans be kept away from gorillas during a disease outbreak?

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.....[1]

Total : [15]

PART 2: READING COMPREHENSION

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

Newspapers in our Lives

Everywhere, everyday exciting things are happening. Each day is filled with news. People learn about what is happening in their countries and around the world while reading newspapers. Millions of copies of newspapers are distributed everyday. People pay monthly to the newspaper producers and have newspapers delivered to their homes but some people buy them from the shops. Most people cannot do without a newspaper so they will try to find them and read them even from the library.

Newspapers first appeared in Europe in the middle of the 17th century. These papers mostly had local information as it was hard for reporters to go searching for news in other places. Although newspapers today and those in the past resemble one another in many ways, their content has changed over time. Technological improvement made the modern newspaper possible. Before the 19th century newspapers were printed on textile material like cotton and linen frequently taken from recycled pieces of cloth. After the invention of paper, low-quality paper became available. There was a rise in the number of industries that produced paper and this resulted to paper becoming cheap. It also meant that newspapers could be printed at a lesser expense.

Later railway lines and steamships made long distance travel easier and faster. Newspaper reporters were then able to travel to faraway places and get news. The journalists could attend interesting events and get news from there. They reported back to the office using the telegraph so the news could be printed on time. As the price of the paper dropped and getting information from faraway places became easier, newspapers grew in number and were issued frequently. They evolved from being weekly to daily papers.

When speaking of European newspapers, one should mention Fleet Street: a major street in the city of London. This street became well-known for printing and publishing newspapers in the 16th century. In those times there were many restaurants in Fleet Street. Many people came to eat, chat and read newspapers. Therefore the street was considered as the centre of the news. By the 20th century Fleet Street became the centre of all great newspaper businesses. Offices of most English and foreign daily newspapers were found here.

However, in the 1980s computer technology replaced the old methods of printing. Many prominent national newspapers moved away from Fleet Street. Some former newspaper buildings have been preserved and turned into museums. The

restaurants that were used by journalists also remain popular. Fleet Street is still synonymous with the British national press.

Today newspapers play a big role in our daily living. They provide information and general knowledge. They give us material about what is happening in a country: news, economic situation, sports, games, entertainment and many more. They also improve our reading habits which can provide a great sense of educational value. This habit will not only enhance our knowledge about general information but will also improve your language skills and vocabulary. All in all, the information we get from newspapers helps us to form opinions about the world around us.

READING COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS

Answer the questions below in a word, short phrase or sentence in the spaces provided.

1 How do people get newspapers? Give **two** details.

.....
[2]

2 How are the newspapers today different from those of long ago?

.....[1]

3 What materials were used to print newspapers? Give **two** details.

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 [2]

4 What made paper cheap?

.....[1]

5 How did rail and steamships help journalists?

.....
[1]

6 What contributed to the growth of newspapers? Give **two** details.

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[2]

7 What was Fleet Street famous for?

.....[1]

8 For Question 8, **circle** the letter with the correct answer.

[3]

(i) What does the word, “resemble” mean as used in Paragraph 2?

- A Differ from each other
- B Have similar features
- C Exactly the same thing
- D Unlike in appearance

(ii) What does the word “evolved” mean as used in Paragraph 3?

- A Changed
- B Expanded
- C Absorbed
- D Developed

(iii) What does the word “prominent” mean as used in paragraph 5?

- A Unimportant
- B Unknown
- C Distinguished
- D Hidden

9 In paragraph 4 the writer says, “...the street was considered as the centre of the news.” What does this mean?

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.....[2]

10 Why do you think it was important to preserve the newspaper buildings?

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.....[1]

11 How do good reading habits add educational value?

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.....[2]

12 Do you think newspapers are important in our lives. Give reasons for your answer.

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.....[2]

LANGUAGE USAGE

Rewrite the following sentences and underline the adjectives found in them.

13 (i) The bear is listed as an endangered animal.

.....[1]

(ii) Ngwane Street is the longest in Manzini.

.....[1]

(iii) Siphon writes meaningless sentences.

.....[1]

(iv) Mary has a collection of expensive dolls.

.....[1]

(v) Nomsa is wearing a sleeveless t-shirt today.

.....[1]

Total [25]

PART 3 : DIALOGUE

Two Grade 7 learners, Lihle and Lwazi are talking about what they were reading during the English Language class. Continue this conversation between these two learners.

Lihle: I learnt a lot from today's lesson. Who would have known newspapers have been around for such a long time?

Lwazi:
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Lihle:
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Lwazi:
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Lihle:
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Lwazi:
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