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English B – Standard level – Paper 1
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Tuesday 3 November 2015 (morning)
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Text A — Free Wi-Fi trumps sleep for SA travellers

Match the first part of the sentence with the appropriate ending on the right. Write the appropriate letter in the boxes provided.

Example: Most South African travellers...

E

1. The questions asked by Travelstart...

2. The current Wi-Fi services...

3. Sleeping areas at airports...

4. Spas, gyms and entertainment facilities...

- A. came second to better free Wi-Fi in survey results.
- B. consider Wi-Fi less important than sleeping areas.
- C. considered the opinions of many travellers.
- D. did not make the top ten travellers' wish list.
- E. **want better free Wi-Fi to be made available at airports.**
- F. are less important than ones used for grooming.
- G. were the least important on the top ten list.
- H. are complementary at South African airports.
- I. affect travellers' airport experience negatively.
- J. addressed travellers' complaints.

Answer the following questions.

5. Which word between **lines 8 and 13** is closest in meaning to "travellers"?

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6. What followed a good place to sleep on the list of travellers' wishes?

.....

7. What **two** new facilities were proposed by travellers but were not in the ten most popular suggestions? [2 marks]

(a)

(b)



8. Which airport facility is considered peculiar by the travel company?

.....

9. In addition to free Wi-Fi, what service already in use at the airport was considered unsatisfactory?

.....

Text B — The Singapore water story

The sentences below are either true or false. Tick [✓] the correct response then justify it with a relevant brief quotation from the text. Both a tick [✓] and a quotation are required for one mark.

True False

Example: Singapore suffered from many disasters.

Justification: We faced drought, floods and water pollution

10. Singapore has managed to transform disadvantages into advantages.

Justification:

11. Treated rainwater in Singapore cannot be used for drinking.

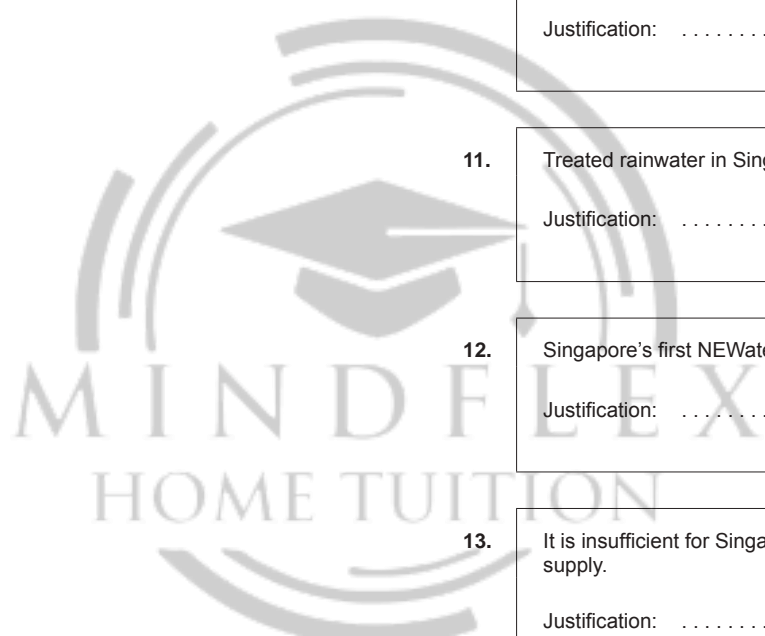
Justification:

12. Singapore's first NEWater plant was built in 2010.

Justification:

13. It is insufficient for Singapore to have a satisfactory and inexpensive water supply.

Justification:



Choose the correct answer from A, B, C or D. Write the letter in the box provided.

14. Over the past fifty years, Singapore has managed to...
- A. reduce its need for water by half.
 - B. increase its supply of water by half.
 - C. alter its water supply sources.
 - D. develop its water supply sources.
15. Water produced in NEWater plants is...
- A. disinfected using traditional methods.
 - B. originally used water.
 - C. originally rainwater.
 - D. purified to be used for cleaning purposes.
16. Singapore...
- A. imports water from Malaysia.
 - B. will import water from Malaysia.
 - C. started importing water from Malaysia in 2011.
 - D. will not import water from Malaysia until 2061.
17. Desalinated water...
- A. is obtained naturally through evaporation.
 - B. is produced at three plants using advanced technology.
 - C. meets less than half of Singapore's water demand.
 - D. meets most of Singapore's water demand.
18. Singapore's national water agency would like to...
- A. assume full control of water resource management.
 - B. engage the help of people in building water projects.
 - C. share the ownership of water resource management with other sectors.
 - D. share the ownership of water resource management with other regions.
19. The main purpose of the text is to...
- A. inform readers about Singapore's water projects.
 - B. emphasize the importance of the "Four National Taps".
 - C. argue the necessity of the "Four National Taps".
 - D. persuade readers to support Singapore's water plans.

Text C — Why selfies matter

Complete the following table by indicating to whom or to what the word/s underlined refer/s.

In the phrase...	the word/s...	refer/s to...
Example: ...wringing <u>their</u> hands over what... (lines 3–4)	"their"	... parents and psychologists ...
20. ...over what <u>they</u> "mean". (line 4)	"they"
21. ...an extension of <u>their</u> self-absorption. (line 9)	"their"
22. ...to express <u>their</u> mood states... (lines 18–19)	"their"
23. ...affiliating with <u>that world</u> . (line 21)	"that world"

Answer the following questions.

- 24.** Give **two** phrases between **lines 1 and 16** that show how selfies are regarded by sociologists. [2 marks]

(a)

(b)

- 25.** Why does Dr Rutledge think that the specialists' examination of selfies is too critical?

.....

- 26.** Which sentence between **lines 13 and 21** indicates that selfies are a natural part of the process of growing up?

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12EP06

27. Which word between **lines 17 and 24** is similar in meaning to "boundaries"?

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Which words go in the gaps between **lines 25 and 35**? Choose the words from the list and write them in the boxes provided.

- | | | | | |
|---------|--------|-----------|------------|---------|
| APART | BESIDE | OFTEN | RARELY | SIMILAR |
| AS WELL | NEVER | OTHERWISE | SEPARATELY | SO |

Example: [- X -] as well

28. [- 28 -]
.....

29. [- 29 -]
.....

30. [- 30 -]
.....

31. [- 31 -]
.....

Text D — Train travel etiquette

32. From statements A to J, select the **four** that are true according to text D. Write the appropriate letters in the boxes provided. [4 marks]

Example: B

- A. Trains are rarely preferred by commuters.
- B. **One of the common transportation modes is the train.**
- C. Giving one's seat to senior citizens, pregnant women or people with disabilities is praised.
- D. Once on the train, it is advised not to change one's seat.
- E. In order not to disturb other passengers, phones must be kept on silent mode while on the train.
- F. One can listen to music on a train providing a headset is worn.
- G. Certain practices are recommended when one brings one's food on board a train.
- H. Moving about on trains is of little interest to passengers.
- I. When on a train, keep your baggage next to you all the time.
- J. One should be considerate when chatting with others on a train.

Find the word in the right-hand column that could meaningfully replace one of the words on the left.

Example: essential (line 3) E

- 33. occupied (line 8)
- 34. accomplished (line 14)
- 35. followed (line 20)

- A. respected
- B. central
- C. taken
- D. reserved
- E. **necessary**
- F. achieved
- G. examined
- H. appreciated



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Match the headings with the paragraphs in the text. Write the appropriate letter in the boxes provided.

Example: [- X -] D

36. [- 36 -]

37. [- 37 -]

38. [- 38 -]

- A. Where not to sit on trains
- B. The protocol of eating on trains
- C. Moving on trains
- D. **Seating on trains**
- E. Accessibility to technological devices on trains
- F. Food preparation requirements
- G. Priority to pass
- H. Use of technology on trains

Choose the correct answer from A, B, C or D. Write the letter in the box provided.

39. Train passengers should make sure that aisles are...

- A. passable at all times.
- B. free of children.
- C. empty at all times.
- D. used for stowing baggage.

40. The purpose of the text is to...

- A. inform the public about train rules and regulations.
- B. guarantee that people behave well on trains.
- C. instruct people regarding good practices on trains.
- D. persuade the public to use trains more often.

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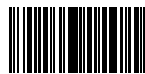
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- Sauf indication contraire, chaque question vaut un point.
- Cada pregunta vale un punto, a menos que se indique algo distinto.

Text A — Free Wi-Fi trumps sleep for SA travellers

1. C
2. H
3. A
4. G
5. commuters
Do not accept "air commuters"
6. free transport inside the airport building
7. (a) (a) swimming pool } (in any order) [1]
(b) (a) nightclub } [1]
8. (the) wave pool (at Munich Airport)
9. (the clarity of) airport announcements / (unclear) PA system announcements
Accept other words with the same meaning

Text A: [10]

Text B — The Singapore water story

NOTE: For the justification in questions 10 to 13, allow only the quotation as given, possibly with a few additional words, provided that they do not materially alter the meaning. Both true/false and quotation response must be correct for the mark.

- 10. true – turning our weakness into strength
- 11. false – (it is) treated for drinking water supply
- 12. false – (in 2010) (Singapore's) latest NEWater plant was completed
- 13. true – achieving an adequate and affordable water supply is not enough

- 14. D
- 15. B
- 16. A
- 17. C
- 18. C
- 19. A

Text B: [10]

Text C — Why selfies matter

- 20. selfies
- 21. (today's) pre-teens and adolescents
- 22. young adults
Do not accept 'teens'. Do not accept "adults" on its own.
- 23. (a) digital world

- 24. (a) (an) extension of (pre-teens'/their) self-absorption } **[1]**
(b) (nothing more than an) outlet for self-expression } *(in any order)* **[1]**

- 25. they aren't (really that) new / they're just more widespread (now that more people have cell phones with cameras)
Accept other wording with the same meaning.
- 26. developmentally, selfies make sense for teens
Accept exact sentence only.
- 27. limits
- 28. otherwise
- 29. apart
- 30. often
- 31. so

Text C: [13]

Text D — Train travel etiquette

32. C, F, G, J (*in any order*)

[4]

33. C

34. F

35. A

36. H

37. B

38. C

39. A

40. C

Total: [45]

Text D: [12]

English B – Standard level – Paper 1
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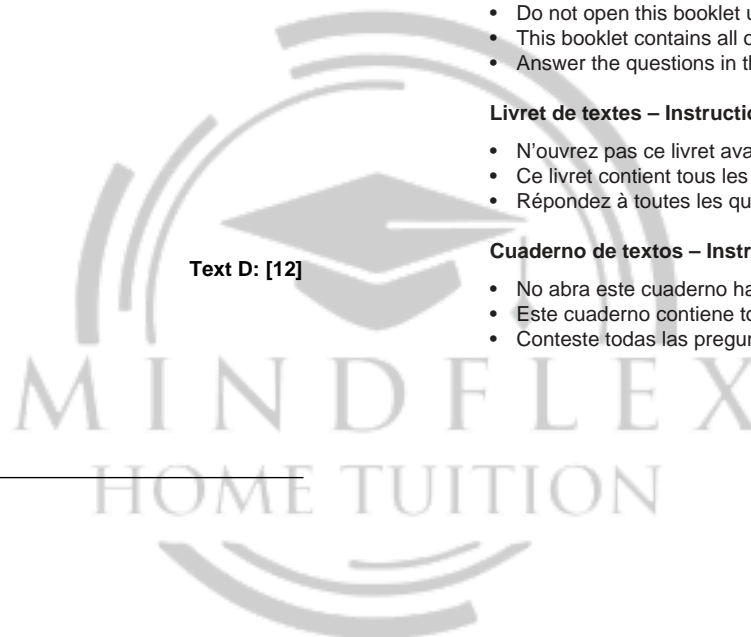
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Text A

Free Wi-Fi trumps sleep for SA travellers

Two-thirds of South African travellers want mandatory free Wi-Fi at the country's airports, a new survey shows.

Added by Editor on 13 August 2014.

5 A comprehensive survey of South African travellers has revealed that sufficient free Wi-Fi at airports is more important to them than a comfortable place to take a nap while waiting for a delayed flight.

10 The survey taken by more than 6000 people was conducted by a travel company's website, Travelstart.co.za.

It asked participants what features could be added to South Africa's airports to improve the lives of air commuters. Suggested options included sleeping areas as well as health, wellness and grooming facilities such as gyms and spas.

15 According to Travelstart, all airports already offer free Wi-Fi. However, the allotment of either 30 minutes or 50MB of data already provided free of charge is not sufficient.

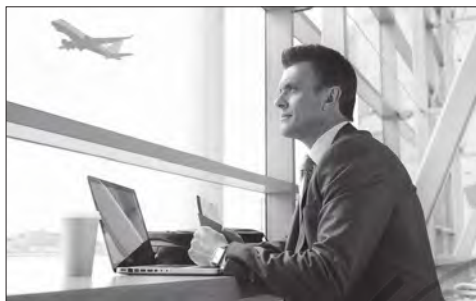
A comfortable place to catch a snooze was the second most demanded feature in the survey, and free transport inside the airport building was the third most popular choice on passengers' wish lists.

20 A significant 27% of travellers voted for airside shower facilities, while 23% said there should be a children's playroom. A library (13% of respondents), a health spa (12%), a cinema (11%), a games room (9%) and a gym (6%) rounded out the top ten.

A few of those surveyed said a swimming pool and a nightclub would be useful at the airport.

25 "While these aspirations might seem unusual, they become less bizarre when you consider some of the weirdest airport features around the world, such as Munich Airport, which houses a wave pool," Travelstart says.

Regarding existing services at airports, survey participants indicated that the clarity of airport announcements should be improved, with 36% saying unclear PA system announcements contributed negatively to the South African airport experience.



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Text B

The Singapore water story



Water: From vulnerability to strength

Singapore has little land to collect and store rainwater. We faced drought, floods and water pollution in the early years when the nation was founded. These challenges have inspired us to innovate and develop capabilities in this area, turning our weakness into strength.

5 Over the last 50 years, through strategic planning and investment in research and technology, Singapore's national water agency PUB has built a diversified supply of water known as the "Four National Taps".

1. Local catchment water

10 Singapore has two separate systems to collect rainwater and used water. Rainwater is collected through a network of drains, canals, rivers, storm-water collection ponds and reservoirs before it is treated for drinking water supply. This makes Singapore one of the few countries in the world to harvest urban storm water on a large scale for its water supply. Since 2011, Singapore's water-catchment area has increased from half to two-thirds of Singapore's land surface.

2. NEWater

A Singapore success story and the pillar of Singapore's water sustainability, NEWater is high-grade reclaimed water produced from treated, used water that is further purified using advanced technologies and ultra-violet disinfection, making it ultra-clean and safe to drink.

15 In 2010, Singapore's latest NEWater plant was completed. Together, Singapore's four NEWater plants can meet up to 30% of the nation's current water needs.

3. Imported water

Singapore has been importing water from Johor, Malaysia, under two agreements. The first agreement expired in August 2011 and the second will expire in 2061.

4. Desalinated water

20 Another technology-based water source is desalinated water. Singapore has two seawater plants: one produces 30 million gallons of water a day to meet about 10% of Singapore's water needs, and the second, with a capacity of 70 million gallons of water a day, opened in September 2013. Today, the two plants can meet up to 25% of Singapore's current water demand.

Water conservation

25 Securing an adequate supply is only half of the water equation – managing the demand side is just as crucial. PUB has a wide-ranging water-conservation plan that encourages customers to use water wisely. Singapore's per capita domestic water consumption has been brought down from 165 litres per day in 2003 to the current 150 litres. The target is to lower it to 147 litres by 2020 and 140 litres by 2030.

Engaging the community

Achieving an adequate and affordable water supply is not enough. It is equally important to get public buy-in, to have greater ownership of and to value our water resources. Therefore, PUB has embarked on a new method in Singapore water management. Today, the water agency encourages the people and also public and private sectors to take joint ownership of Singapore's water resource management.

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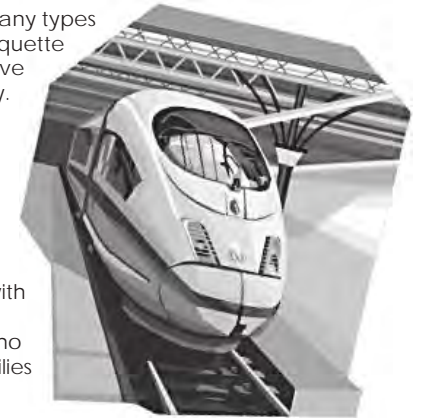
Text C

Text D

Train travel etiquette

Author: Beth Morrissey MLIS - Updated: 27 December 2012

Trains are a popular transportation option for many types of travellers. Being well-versed in train travel etiquette is essential for train passengers whether they have a short commute or a cross-continental itinerary.



[- X -]

- 5 Passengers should try to avoid seats saved for people with disabilities or mobility problems, including older adults and pregnant women. If these reserved places are occupied, it is polite to give up a seat and stand in order to allow these passengers to sit instead.
- 10 Parents with infants will appreciate being given a seat on a crowded train. It is also polite for passengers who are travelling alone to move seats to allow families to sit together if this can be accomplished.

[- 36 -]

- 15 When mobile phones are used on trains, it is polite to limit the volume or to silence the phone altogether. Conversations should be kept brief, and passengers should avoid raising their voices. The volume levels of other technological devices should be minimized as well, and headphones must be used whenever those devices are employed so that other passengers are not disturbed.

[- 37 -]

- 20 Many trains offer a dining service on board. General dining rules should be followed in dining cars. Waste should be disposed of properly. Some passengers may prefer to bring their own food on board trains. Such food should be easy to eat, not emit a heavy odour, and require no special preparation.

[- 38 -]

- 25 Many travellers prefer trains because they can move about the carriages during their trips. However, train travel etiquette dictates that all passengers attempt to keep aisles as clear as possible. Baggage should be safely stowed, discretion should be used when having conversations in order to respect other passengers, and children should be taught to walk rather than run along aisles. When many passengers are in the aisles together, those carrying children, baggage, or food should be given priority to pass.
- 30 Train travel etiquette should be respected so that all passengers can have the most comfortable journey possible, and it will help ensure that everyone on board enjoys their next train trip.

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English B – Standard level – Paper 2
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Inglés B – Nivel medio – Prueba 2

Wednesday 4 November 2015 (afternoon)
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Complete **one** of the following tasks. Write 250 to 400 words.

1. Cultural diversity

Your teacher has set the following topic for your next essay: "When it comes to understanding other people's behaviour, children whose parents come from different cultural backgrounds are more open-minded than those whose parents share the same cultural background." Write an essay expressing your opinion on this topic.

2. Customs and traditions

The inappropriate behaviour of young people at a formal event you recently attended led you to comment on it in your personal blog. Write your blog entry and include a set of guidelines to describe how young people should behave during formal functions (such as weddings or conferences).

3. Health

Recently you interviewed a healthcare specialist and asked about the relationship between maintaining a healthy lifestyle and teenagers' self-esteem. Write an article based on the interview to be published in your school magazine. Do not simply write the exact words (transcript) of the interview.

4. Leisure

Your school recently played a friendly game with a famous sports team. Write a news report to be published in your school's newspaper, describing the game, the atmosphere during the game and how fans cheered on their teams.

5. Science and technology

Many students at your school are addicted to playing video games. Your principal has asked you to give a talk to younger students at your school describing the dangers of this addiction and how it can be avoided.