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Grade 7 English HL · Language Practice · Paper 5

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Source: Language Practice -- Grade 7 English Home Language (Term 1) · Topic: the impact of load-shedding on South African students and schools

Questions [50 marks]

1. Rewrite the following sentence in formal register: "The load-shedding is like, totally wrecking our homework time." **(2)**

2. Identify whether the following sentence uses formal or informal register and give ONE reason: "Our school in Soweto has implemented a backup generator system to mitigate the effects of power cuts." **(2)**

3. Which transition word best completes this sentence about load-shedding's impact on Chatsworth High School? "The electricity cuts have affected our computer labs; _____, we cannot complete our digital projects." A) however B) therefore C) furthermore D) in addition **(1)**

4. Rewrite this sentence in formal register: "Khanyisa reckons that studying by candlelight is kinda hard, hey." **(2)**

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5. Correct ALL errors in this sentence: "Load-shedding has effected students in Khayelitsha, therefore they is struggling with their schoolwork." **(3)**

6. Identify the register and explain your answer in ONE sentence: "Yo, Tiago and Marco--the load-shedding is destroying our exam prep, innit?" **(2)**

7. Add TWO appropriate transition words to improve coherence in this paragraph: "Load-shedding affects students across South Africa. Students cannot charge their devices. Schools lose classroom time. Teachers cannot use projectors. _____, many learners depend on electricity for online resources. _____, schools in Polokwane have had to redesign their timetables." **(3)**

8. Rewrite this informal sentence in formal register: "Nandi and Aisha were like, 'We can't do our online homework cos there's no electricity.'" **(3)**

9. The sentence below uses a colon. Explain the effect of this punctuation: "Load-shedding has created three main challenges for students: loss of study time, inability to access online resources, and stress during examination periods." **(2)**

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10. Identify and correct ALL errors in this paragraph: "At Amber's school in Sea Point, the principal have announced that classes will start at 6 am. This is to ensure that lessons is completed before the load-shedding schedule begin. Furthermore, students are advised to complete they homework during daylight hours." **(4)**

11. Rewrite the following sentence using formal register and a transition word to connect it to a previous statement about load-shedding affecting poor communities: "Also, it's way harder for township kids cos they don't got backup power like rich areas do." **(3)**

12. Read this transactional text (a formal email header): "Dear Principal Katlego, I am writing to request permission to extend our study group meetings to the school library during load-shedding hours, as natural light is available until 18h00." Identify TWO features of formal register evident in this text. **(2)**

13. The following sentence uses a semicolon. Explain why the semicolon is appropriate here and rewrite it using a subordinate clause instead: "Load-shedding disrupts classroom learning; students lose concentration due to darkness and heat." **(3)**

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14. Correct ALL errors and rewrite in formal register: "Rohan and Vikram was saying that they couldn't study properly cause the power were off all day and they didnt have no candles or nothing." **(4)**

15. Add appropriate transition words and punctuation to this paragraph to improve coherence and register: "Load-shedding affects academic performance across all provinces in South Africa. Students in Limpopo farms experience longer outages than those in suburban Johannesburg. The government has not provided adequate solutions. Schools are struggling to adapt. Parents are becoming increasingly frustrated." **(4)**

16. Identify and correct ALL errors in this formal transactional response from a school principal: "Dear Parent, The load-shedding crisis have affected our schools capacity to deliver quality education. Therefore, we have implemented the following measures: students can arrive earlier, they can study in groups, and the library will be open on weekends. Furthermore students should complete homework during daylight hours." **(5)**

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17. Rewrite the following informal narrative in formal register, using at least ONE transition word and correct punctuation: "So like, Lesego and Dylan was at this township school in Khayelitsha yeah, and load-shedding was crazy bad, right, and they couldn't do they homework, and the teachers were stressed, and there was like no solution or nothing." **(5)**

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