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Questions [42 marks]

1. Rewrite this sentence in the past tense: "Dr Priya Naidoo develops a water-purification system that helps communities in Chatsworth." **(1)**

2. Which word in this sentence is a verb? "Marco invented a solar-powered device for rural schools in the Free State." **(1)**

3. Choose the correct option to complete the sentence: "Khanyisa's research ___ groundbreaking work in renewable energy." A) are B) is C) have been D) were **(1)**

4. Add a suitable connective to join these two ideas: "Murendeni studied engineering at Wits University. ___ he started his own tech company in Polokwane." **(1)**

5. Identify the subject and predicate in this sentence: "The young inventor Tinyiko created affordable prosthetics for disabled children." **(2)**

6. Rewrite this sentence using a synonym for "amazing": "Liezel's breakthrough in agricultural biotechnology was amazing for rural farmers." **(2)**

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7. Read this newspaper headline: "Local Scientist Lerato Achieves Major Success with HIV Treatment Breakthrough." Write this headline in a more formal, detailed way suitable for a news article introduction. **(2)**

8. Combine these three short sentences into one complex sentence: "Dylan conducted experiments. He tested renewable fuels. His results impressed the scientific community." **(2)**

9. Correct the error in this passage and rewrite it: "Jané and Ruan was working on a sustainable building material. They hopes it will reduce carbon emissions in Johannesburg construction." **(3)**

10. Read this summary of an article about Dr Kavya Sharma's work: "Dr Sharma developed low-cost water filters. These filters help township schools. Over 50 schools now use them." Rewrite this as a proper one-sentence summary using a subordinate clause. **(3)**

11. Which sentence would be most suitable as the opening line for a magazine article about inventor Rohan Patel? A) "Rohan is smart." B) "Meet the engineer transforming waste management across South Africa." C) "There is a person named Rohan." D) "Rohan did something interesting." **(2)**

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12. Identify one simile or metaphor in this sentence and explain its effect: "Nkhensani's innovations are lighthouses of hope for communities struggling with power shortages." **(3)**

13. Read this argumentative opening: "We should fund young inventors like Ashraf because they solve real problems that affect ordinary South Africans." Is this introduction effective? Explain your answer using two reasons. **(3)**

14. Correct and rewrite this sentence with proper punctuation and grammar: "sameera studied marine biology and she discovered three new species of fish in the atlantic ocean near cape town" **(3)**

15. Write a three-sentence summary of the following passage, capturing only the main ideas: "Dr Vikram Singh worked for ten years developing a cheaper insulin production method. His invention reduced the cost of insulin by 40%. Today, diabetic patients in rural Limpopo and KwaZulu-Natal can afford their medication. The method has been adopted by pharmaceutical companies across Africa. Vikram's work has saved thousands of lives and continues to prevent complications from diabetes." **(4)**

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16. Rewrite this paragraph improving the argument by adding a stronger counterargument and rebuttal: "Some people argue that South African inventors should work abroad where there is more funding. However, ___ local inventors understand the specific needs of their communities and can create solutions that actually work here." **(4)**

17. Analyse this passage for tone and purpose, then identify which statement best describes it: "Nuraan Al-Rashid's water desalination project in the Bo-Kaap has transformed access to clean water for 3,000 residents. Despite operating on a modest budget, his team engineered an efficient system using solar technology. The project demonstrates that innovation isn't about unlimited resources--it's about determination and local knowledge. Schools now study Nuraan's model as a case study in sustainable engineering." A) The tone is angry and the purpose is to criticise. B) The tone is admiring and the purpose is to inspire and inform. C) The tone is uncertain and the purpose is to question the project's success. D) The tone is neutral and the purpose is purely factual reporting. Justify your choice with two pieces of textual evidence. **(5)**

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