

# SMARTWIZ

## GRADE 12 ENGLISH EXAM

**MARKS: 150**

**TIME: 2 HOURS**

**SCHOOL** \_\_\_\_\_

**CLASS (eg. 4A)** \_\_\_\_\_

**SURNAME** \_\_\_\_\_

**NAME** \_\_\_\_\_

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### Instructions for Learners:

- Read all instructions carefully before you begin the exam.
- Write your full name and student number clearly on the answer sheet/book.
- Answer all questions unless otherwise instructed.
- Show all your work/calculations where necessary.
- Write neatly and clearly.
- Use only a blue or black pen. Do not use correction fluid or tape.
- Electronic devices (calculators, cell phones, etc.) are not allowed unless explicitly permitted.
- Raise your hand if you have any questions.
- Do not talk to other learners during the exam.
- Any form of dishonesty will result in immediate disqualification from the exam.

**This exam consists of Five pages, including the cover page.**

## SECTION A: COMPREHENSION (30 marks)

Read the passage and answer the questions.



### Passage:

*The. But over the past decade, rapid industrial growth in the nearby city had caused pollution to spread into the village. The once-clear rivers became murky, and many animals disappeared. The villagers were worried and decided to take action. They organized clean-up days, planted trees, and started educating their children about protecting the environment. Slowly, the village began to heal.*

### Questions:

1. Where is the story set?

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2. What environmental problems did Greenfield face?

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3. How did the villagers respond to the problems?

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4. What message does this passage give about community action?

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5. Suggest two ways pollution might affect the wildlife in Greenfield.

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## SECTION B: LANGUAGE AND STRUCTURE (40 marks)

### 1. Vocabulary

Complete the sentences using the correct word form from the bracket:

a) The village experienced a lot of \_\_\_\_\_ (pollute) because of factories.

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b) The villagers showed great \_\_\_\_\_ (commit) to protecting their home.

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c) The rivers were \_\_\_\_\_ (clear) before the pollution began.

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## 2. Sentence types

Identify each sentence type (declarative, interrogative, imperative, exclamatory):

a) "Why is the river so dirty now?"

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b) "Plant more trees to improve the environment."

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c) "The villagers worked hard to clean the forest."

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d) "What a beautiful forest it used to be!"

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## 3. Punctuation

Insert commas where necessary:

a) The villagers who cared deeply about nature acted quickly.

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b) Many animals birds and fish disappeared from the river.

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## SECTION C: SUMMARY WRITING (20 marks)

*Summarize the passage in your own words in no more than 60 words.*

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## SECTION D: ESSAY WRITING (60 marks)

Choose *ONE* topic and write an essay of about 250-300 words.

1. Write a descriptive essay about a natural place you enjoy visiting.

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2. Discuss the importance of protecting the environment and what individuals can do to help.

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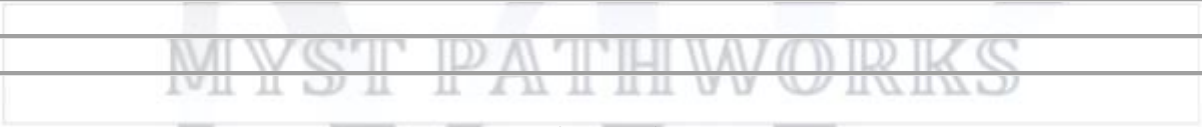
3. Write an argumentative essay on whether cities should have more green spaces. Support your opinion.

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**END OF EXAM**

**TOTAL : 150**

**MEMO****SECTION A: COMPREHENSION (30 marks)****1. Where is the story set?**

- In the village of Greenfield, near a city.

**2. Environmental problems Greenfield faced:**

- Pollution from nearby city
- Rivers became murky/dirty
- Disappearance of animals/wildlife

**3. How the villagers responded:**

- Organized clean-up days
- Planted trees
- Educated children about protecting the environment

**4. Message about community action:**

- Community can make a difference
- Taking collective responsibility helps solve problems
- Positive change happens with teamwork and education

**5. Two ways pollution might affect wildlife:**

- Loss of habitat due to pollution
- Illness or death of animals from contaminated water

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**SECTION B: LANGUAGE AND STRUCTURE (40 marks)****1. Vocabulary**

- a) pollution / polluted (accept either depending on sentence construction)
- b) commitment
- c) clear

**2. Sentence types**

- a) Interrogative
- b) Imperative
- c) Declarative
- d) Exclamatory

### 3. Punctuation

- a) The villagers, who cared deeply about nature, acted quickly.
- b) Many animals, birds, and fish disappeared from the river.

## SECTION C: SUMMARY WRITING (20 marks)

- Summary should include:
  - Pollution from nearby city harmed Greenfield
  - Villagers took action by cleaning and planting trees
  - Education about environment helped
  - Village slowly improved/started to heal
- Concise and clear (max 60 words)

## SECTION D: ESSAY WRITING (60 marks)

Marking criteria:

- **Content & development:** 30 marks
- **Language (grammar, vocabulary, sentence structure):** 20 marks
- **Structure (introduction, body, conclusion):** 10 marks

Sample expected points per essay topic:

### 1. Descriptive essay about natural place:

- Vivid description of the place (sights, sounds, smells, feelings)
- Why it is enjoyable or special
- Personal reflections

### 2. Importance of protecting the environment:

- Reasons why environment is important (clean air, water, biodiversity)
- Negative effects of pollution or damage
- How individuals can help (reduce waste, plant trees, educate others)

### 3. Argumentative essay on green spaces in cities:

- Benefits of green spaces (health, recreation, environment)
- Arguments for more green spaces
- Possible counter-arguments (cost, space limitations)
- Personal opinion supported by reasons

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