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GRADE 12

ENGLISH FIRST ADDITIONAL LANGUAGE P1

PREPARATORY EXAMINATION

SEPTEMBER 2024

MARKS: 80

TIME: 2 hours

This question paper consists of 14 pages.

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INSTRUCTIONS AND INFORMATION

1. This question paper consists of THREE sections:

   SECTION A: Comprehension (30)
   SECTION B: Summary (10)
   SECTION C: Language (40)

2. Answer ALL the questions.

3. Read ALL the instructions carefully.

4. Start EACH section on a NEW page.

5. Leave a line after each answer.

6. Number the answers correctly according to the numbering system used in this question paper.

7. For multiple choice questions, write only the letter (A – D) next to the question number in the ANSWER BOOK.

8. Pay special attention to spelling and sentence construction.

9. Use the following time frame as a guideline:

   SECTION A: 50 minutes
   SECTION B: 20 minutes
   SECTION C: 50 minutes

10. Write neatly and legibly.

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SECTION A: COMPREHENSION

QUESTION 1

Read BOTH TEXT A and TEXT B and answer the set questions.

TEXT A

CRASS MATERIALISM

1. When the lockdown was introduced in March 2020 due to the global health pandemic, it never dawned on the Eastern Cape people that by exposing the inequalities of their society, it would present an opportunity for unwanted flamboyance and crass materialism to sneak in and take over their prized cultural activity of customary initiation.

2. There is no better time than now for us to reflect on where we are and are going as people who prize their customary initiation, especially after the previous initiation summer season period. Perhaps Africans have forgotten where they come from and what distinguishes them from others in this diverse society that is dubbed a 'rainbow nation'?

3. Customary male initiation practices were suspended along with other economic, social, political, religious, and cultural activities in 2020, which forced many families to postpone the participation of their children in the cultural rite of passage to manhood. The customary male initiation was reopened in 2021 and saw an increase of over 50 000 boys who underwent initiation.

4. As we celebrated the return of initiates, we also witnessed a worrying and foreign phenomenon that threatens our age-old custom of customary male initiation. This new phenomenon of crass materialism is a result of the emergence of the black bourgeoisie and has to a certain extent over the years, compromised some of the values that underpin customary male initiation. This is a deadly cause of the unjust class differentiation among the mainly township and rural people. We read with keen interest newspaper headlines about a Mthatha businesswoman who splashed over a million rands celebrating the return of her son from the initiation school. Of course, she was not the only one who displayed such opulence.

5. We must say that the 2021 celebrations will be fondly remembered for the glitz and glamour, with designer traditional outfits worn by attendees which was a wonderful spectacle. Others erected framed tents with round tables, tiffany chairs with a touch of expensive decorations, and one would swear they were attending a wedding.

6. While these events were happening, some took to social media to register their excitement, others expressed their disdain. Those who expressed disdain included the ordinary folk and the black middle class in general; they advanced an argument that this new trend has an element of distorting and undermining our customary practice and the teachings that it seeks to inculcate.

7. Some argued that the economic inclusion of women has had an impact on the evolution of society at a cultural level. This has had an impact on the culture which is seen by many as patriarchal. As a result, women's economic empowerment has translated into social power which has been used to challenge men's traditional cultural roles.

8. Although we may mean well, results of gender struggles and women empowerment may have unwarranted consequences as illustrated in this case. For example, added to absent fathers, men who are present are isolated in decision-making processes due to their inferior economic statuses. Equally, we have witnessed men who are economically superior promoting this foreign phenomenon by showcasing their financial muscle to the detriment of our culture. This behaviour has nothing to do with ikrwala other than parents satisfying their egos and trying to prove a point to society.

9. To the Xhosa nation, male initiation is about teaching and learning which is about transforming a boy child into a fully-fledged man, a process that transforms one from boyhood to manhood. These days the emphasis is no longer about teaching and learning but about opulence and crass materialism, which is problematic to the moral and ethical values that are espoused by customary male initiation.

10. We must applaud some rich and affluent black men for being true and honest to their traditions and refusing to be captured by this mushrooming phenomenon. We must also applaud the same calibre of black middle-class women who have, despite their powerful socioeconomic standing, remained humble and respectful of the cultural role that men occupy and more importantly remain rooted in their cultural heritage which is under siege.

[Adapted from: http://www.dailymaverick.co.za]

GLOSSARY

crass: showing no intelligence or sensitivity.
bourgeoisie: the middle class who display their materialistic values.
ikrwala: a Xhosa word for an initiate.
affluent: wealthy.

1.1 Refer to paragraph 1

What negative effects did the introduction of the lockdown have on the people of the Eastern Cape? Mention TWO points. (2)

1.2 Refer to paragraph 2.

Explain what the writer means by the 'rainbow nation.' (2)

1.3 Refer to paragraph 3.

1.3.1 In your own words, explain what male initiation is. (2)

1.3.2 Explain why the writer has chosen to include these lines:

'The customary male ... who underwent initiation'.

State TWO points. (2)

1.4 Refer to paragraph 4.

Quote a SINGLE word in this paragraph which means the same as 'fortune.' (1)

1.5 Refer to paragraph 5.

What does the writer mean by 'glitz and glamour'? (2)

1.6 Refer to paragraph 6.

1.6.1 How did some of those who attended the initiation ceremonies register their excitement? (1)

1.6.2 What argument is presented by those who are disdainful towards the celebration of the return of the initiates? (1)

1.7 Refer to paragraph 7.

Why is the following statement FALSE?

The economic inclusion of women in cultural practices was welcomed by everyone. (1)

1.8 Refer to paragraph 8.

1.8.1 Why are some men excluded in the decision-making of the male initiation celebrations? (1)

1.8.2 Choose the correct answer to complete the following sentence:

The word 'detriment' (line ~~44~~ 49) means...

A advantage.
B destruction.
C convenience.
D adaptation. (1)

1.9 Refer to paragraph 9.

Discuss the significance of the inclusion of this paragraph in this passage. (2)

1.10 Refer to paragraph 10.

Explain why the writer praises rich and affluent black men as well as wealthy black middle-class women. (2)

1.11 Refer to the passage as a whole.

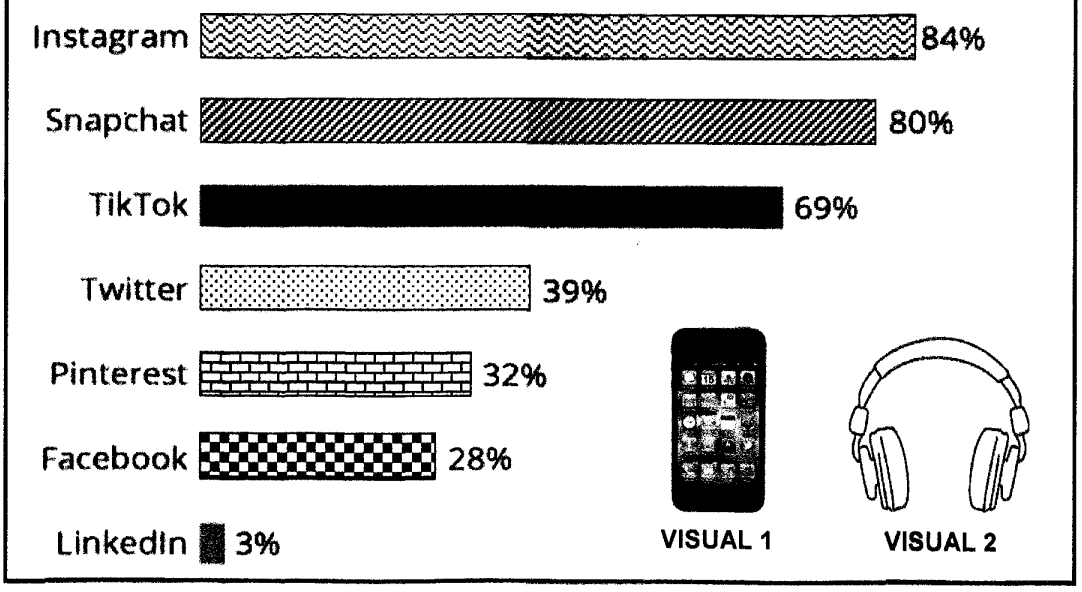
Do you think that the male initiation celebrations have been consumed by modernity? Substantiate your answer. (2)

1.12 Discuss the suitability of the title, 'CRASS MATERIALISM'. (2)

TEXT B

7 IN 10 SOUTH AFRICAN TEENS USE TIK TOK

Percentage of S.A. teens who use the following social media platform at least once a month.



VISUAL 1

VISUAL 2

[Adapted: www.google.com]

1.13 Which social media platform would you use if you wanted to increase your popularity? Substantiate your answer. (2)

1.14 Explain why visual 1 has been included in the text. (2)

1.15 Discuss whether it is effective to present the information in a bar graph. (2)

TOTAL SECTION A: 30

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SECTION B: SUMMARY

QUESTION 2

Heat waves are happening around the world, and climate change means that days are getting hotter and longer. There are plenty of ways to stay cool during these periods.

Read TEXT C below and list SEVEN points **on how to keep cool during heat waves.**

INSTRUCTIONS

1. Your summary must be written in point form.
2. List your SEVEN points in full sentences, using no more than 70 words.
3. Number your sentences from 1 to 7.
4. Write only ONE point per sentences.
5. Use your OWN words as far as possible.
6. Indicate the total number of words you have used in brackets at the end of your summary.

TEXT C

Staying cool in summer

While basking in the sunshine is a wonderful thing, extreme heat can be deadly, affecting everyone, especially those with chronic health conditions. There is a lot we can do to protect ourselves and our loved ones from the heat.

It is best to avoid going outside during the hottest hours of the day. When in direct sunlight remember to wear a hat or cap to cover your head and face.

Heat escapes through the skin, which is the largest part of your body. It is important to cool your skin down by drenching a towel and using it to wipe your sweat. As you sweat throughout the day, the liquids you are losing need to be replaced to avoid dehydration, therefore it is vital to drink plenty of water.

Alcohol causes dehydration, which can be difficult if your body is already struggling with staying cool in summer. Mixing too much sun with alcoholic beverages is not a good combination.

When it is hot, you are far better off sticking to light and healthy meals. Junk food can make you tired and even hotter.

Take the temperature into consideration when planning your day and, if you can, limit exercise and all physical activities as it could be dangerous to exercise in the blazing sun.

You must be able to recognise the symptoms of heat-related illnesses and seeking necessary medical help in the event of a heat wave attack.

[Adapted from: *www.goggle.com*]

TOTAL SECTION B: 10

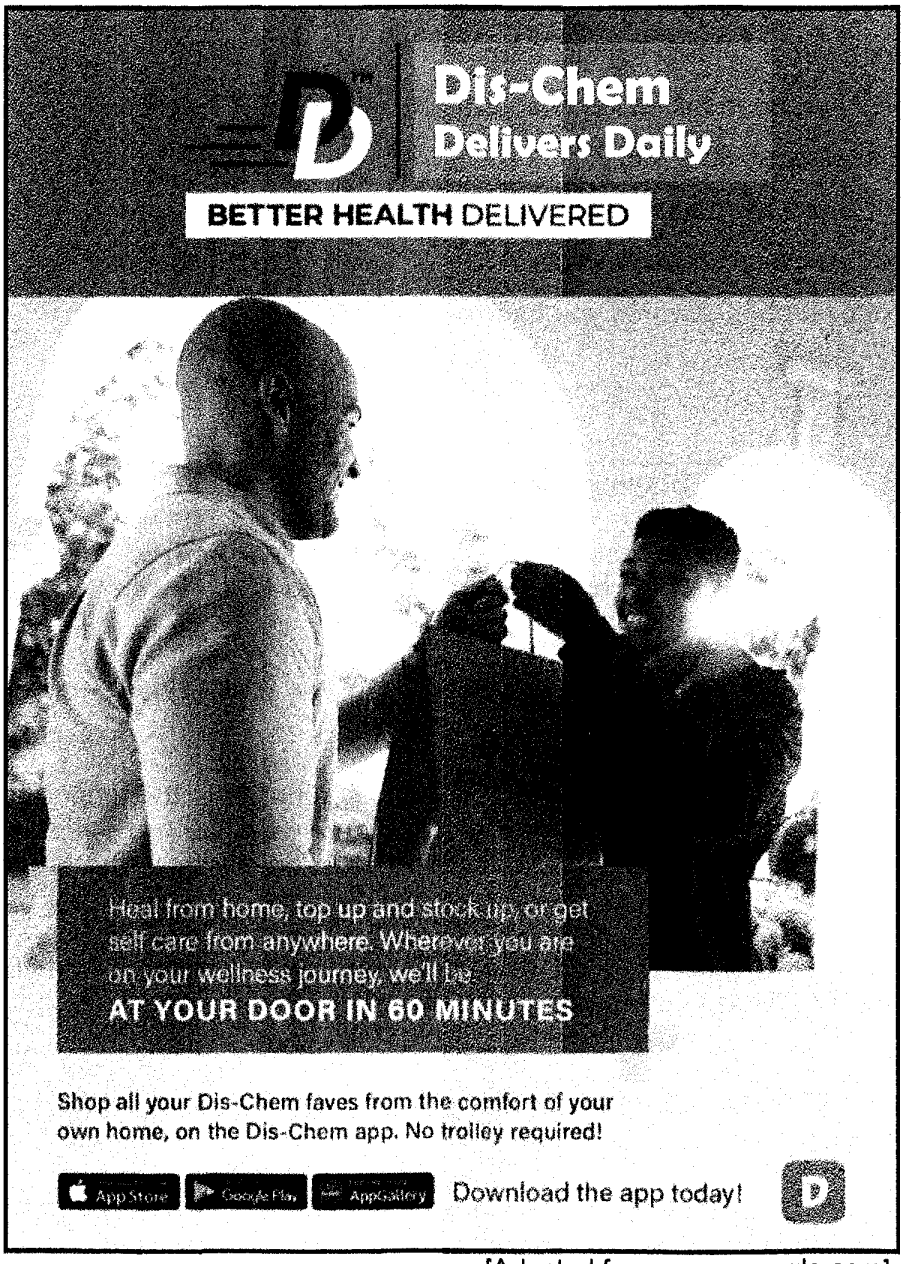
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SECTION C: LANGUAGE

QUESTION 3: ANALYSING AN ADVERTISEMENT

Study the advertisement (TEXT D) below and answer the set questions.

TEXT D



[Adapted from: www.google.com]

3.1 Who is the target audience in this advertisement? (1)

3.2 Rewrite the underlined contraction in full.

'Wherever you are on your wellness journey, we'll be ...' (1)

3.3 Why are the words '**AT YOUR DOOR IN 60 MINUTES**' written in bold? (2)

3.4 How does the inclusion of the visuals enhance the message of the advertisement? (2)

3.5 Choose the correct answer to complete the following sentence.

Dis-Chem Delivers Daily is an example of a/an ...

A. assonance.
B. metaphor.
C. alliteration.
D. oxymoron. (1)

3.6 What does TM next to the logo stand for? (1)

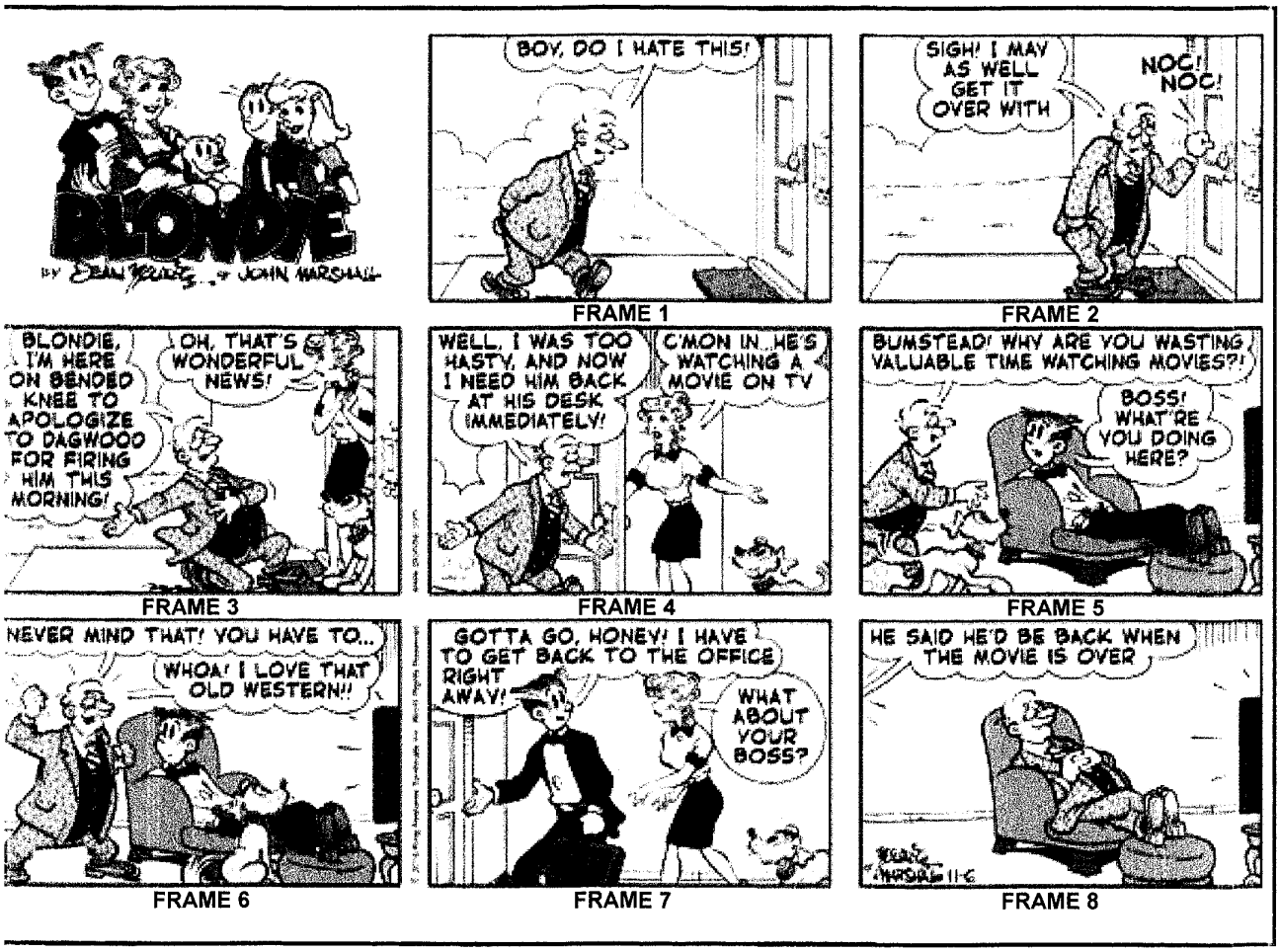
3.7 Discuss whether the advertisement succeeds in convincing the reader to use the advertised service. Substantiate your answer. (2)

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QUESTION 4: ANALYSING A CARTOON

Read the cartoon (TEXT E) below and answer the set questions.

TEXT F



NOTE: In this cartoon, the old man is the Boss, the man is Dagwood Bumstead, and the woman is his wife, Blondie.

4.1 Refer to FRAME 2.

What is the Boss doing in this frame? (1)

4.2 Refer to FRAME 3.

Explain how the cartoonist conveys the idea that the Boss apologises for firing Dagwood.

State TWO visual clues. (2)

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4.3 Refer to FRAME 4.

What does the Boss say to suggest that he made a huge mistake by firing Dagwood? (1)

4.4 Refer to FRAME 6.

4.4.1 Explain the use of the ellipsis in this frame. (1)

4.4.2 Explain how the Boss's actions convey that he loves the old Western movie.

State ONE visual and ONE verbal clue. (2)

4.5 Refer to FRAME 7.

Rewrite the underlined word in formal English.

Gotta go. (1)

4.6 Do you think this cartoon succeeds in conveying humour?

Discuss your view. (2)

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QUESTION 5: LANGUAGE AND EDITING SKILLS

TEXT F

CHINESE TEENAGER BREAKS 100M FREESTYLE WORLD RECORD

1 China's 19-year-old swimming phenom, Pan Zhanle, recorded the fastest 100 metres record in history as he smashed the existing mens freestyle world record. He established himself as the paceseter ahead of the forthcoming Paris Olympics.

Zhanle sat the stunning 46.80 seconds 100 metre freestyle swim record. 5
2 He toppled the previous world record of 46.86 seconds held by Romanian teenager David Popovici.

Breaking the world record just came naturally. Now my goal is to swim even faster,' Zhanle told reporters. 'I was shocked when I saw the time. I wasn't expecting to break it.' 10

3 It have been an honour for me as well as motivation for both young and old swimmers. I can go faster than today's time,' he said. Zhanle later told Chinese media that he actually 'had a fever' on the day but felt in good condition. Zhanle informed his coaches that there may be a surprise in store. 15

Zhanle is the first Chinese male to hold the world record in the event. Only five men have broken the 47-second barrier in 100m freestyle history.

[Adapted from edition.cnn.com]

5.1.1 Correct the SINGLE error in EACH of the following sentences. Write down ONLY the question numbers and the words you have corrected.

(a) Pan Zhanle recorded the fastest 100 metres as he smashed the mens freestyle record. (1)

(b) He established himself as the paceseter ahead of the forthcoming Paris Olympics. (1)

(c) Zhanle sat the stunning 46.80 seconds 100 metre freestyle swim record. (1)

(d) It have been an honour for me as well as motivation for both young and old swimmers. (1)

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5.1.2 Rewrite the following sentence in the passive voice.

He toppled the previous record of 46.86 seconds. (1)

5.1.3 Study the following sentence:

Now my goal is to swim even faster.

Use a homonym for the word goal in a sentence of your own. (1)

5.1.4 Complete the following question tag. Write down only the missing words.

Breaking the world record just came naturally, ...? (1)

5.1.5 Rewrite the following sentence in reported speech:

'I can go faster than today's time,' he said. (3)

5.1.6 Study the following sentence:

It is a motivation for both young and old swimmers.

Identify the root of the underlined word. (1)

5.1.7 Rewrite the following sentence in the past perfect tense:

Zhanle becomes the first Chinese male to hold the world record in the event. (1)

5.1.8 Study the following sentence:

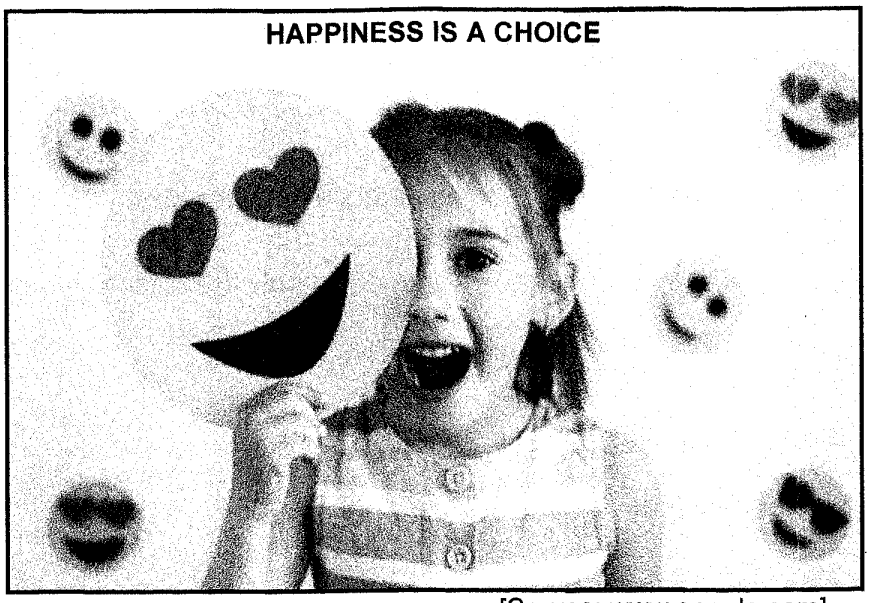
Only five men have broken the 47-second barrier in 100m freestyle history.

Give the part of speech of EACH of the underlined words as used in this sentence. (2)

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5.2 Study the following text (TEXT G) and answer the set questions.

TEXT G



[Source: www.google.com]

5.2.1 Rewrite the following sentence in the negative form:

Happiness comes with the feeling of satisfaction. (1)

5.2.2 Combine the following sentences into a single sentence:

Happiness spreads positivity.
Happiness builds resilience.

Begin with: **Not only ...** (2)

5.2.3 Provide the correct degree of comparison in the following sentence:

This is the (enjoyable) time of the school year. (1)

5.2.4 Give the correct form of the word in brackets:

She was (extreme) satisfied with her progress at school. (1)

5.2.5 Choose the correct answer within brackets:

She had a (prosperity / prosperous) year at school. (1)

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TOTAL SECTION C: 40

GRAND TOTAL: 80

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