

LIFE ORIENTATION

**GRADE 12 – COMMON ASSESSMENT TASK
MEMORANDUM
SEPTEMBER 2025
TOTAL: 100 MARKS**

SECTION A

QUESTION 1

1.1 Multiple Choice

1.1.1 C

1.1.2 C

1.1.3 A

1.1.4 B

1.1.5 B

(5)

1.2 One-word Terms

1.2.1 Dehydration

1.2.2 Tech-savvy

1.2.3 Balance

(3)

1.3 Short Responses

1.3.1

- Unequal pay
 - Men preferred for leadership roles
- (Any 2 valid examples)

(2)

1.3.2

- Smoking causes skin discolouration, wrinkles or yellow teeth

(2)

1.3.3

- To stay relevant to changing needs
- To protect public safety and enforce updated standards

(2)

1.3.4

- Achievable goals help keep you motivated and track your progress

(2)

1.4 Case Study: Sipho the Entrepreneur

1.4.1

- Risk-taking opens new opportunities and helps entrepreneurs grow their business
(2)

1.4.2

- Conduct market research to test if there is demand in the new area
(2)

TOTAL SECTION A: 20

SECTION B

QUESTION 2

2.1

- Personality is the combination of qualities and behaviour that makes each person unique
(2)

2.2

- Loving parenting
- Positive role models
(Any 2 relevant factors)
(2)

2.3

- A negative attitude can result in poor communication and push others away
(2)

2.4

- Avoiding conflict creates distance and unresolved issues
- Can damage trust and lead to long-term breakdown
(4)

2.5

- Compromising might leave both parties unsatisfied
- Some may feel manipulated or lose trust
(4)

2.6

- Talk to someone you trust: helps release stress and gain clarity
 - Accept the change: helps build resilience and mental strength
- (6)**

TOTAL: 20

QUESTION 3

3.1

- Study skills are methods that help you understand, remember, and apply knowledge
- (2)**

3.2

- Illustrate: explain using examples or visuals
 - Identify: name or point out something clearly
- (2)**

3.3

- Planning helps organise your thoughts and improve accuracy
- (2)**

3.4

- Take deep breaths
 - Start with questions you know
- (Any 2 effective techniques)
- (4)**

3.5

- Time management helps avoid rushing and manage workload evenly
 - Keeps you focused and reduces stress during exams
- (4)**

3.6

- Skim the questions to get context: helps answer exactly what is required
 - Underline key words: ensures you answer all parts of the question
- (6)**

TOTAL: 20

SECTION C

(Any 2 questions answered)

QUESTION 4 – Crises and Disease

Benefits of early detection:

- Increases chance of recovery
 - Reduces long-term damage
 - Helps contain the disease
 - Makes treatment more effective
- (4)

Impact of personal views:

- Denying the disease spreads misinformation and increases risk
 - Refusing to follow health protocols endangers others
- (8)

Covid-19 impact on jobs:

- Shift to digital work; job losses in manual sectors
 - Rise in entrepreneurship and online work trends
- (8)

TOTAL: 20

QUESTION 5 – Media and Access

Ways to ensure access:

- Translate content into local languages
 - Use radio and free channels
 - Print and distribute local newspapers
 - Set up community notice boards
- (4)

Benefits of limiting media freedom for safety:

- Prevents fake news that incites violence
 - Protects identities of vulnerable groups
- (8)

Digital divide impact:

- Poorer communities lack devices and data
 - Reduces access to education and job opportunities
- (8)

TOTAL: 20

QUESTION 6 – Work and Values

How work gives purpose:

- Gives structure and meaning to daily life
 - Builds confidence and self-worth
 - Helps you contribute to society
 - Offers opportunities for growth
- (4)

Importance of ethics at work:

- Builds trust among colleagues
 - Prevents fraud and improves productivity
- (8)

Core values in career choices:

- Knowing your values helps guide meaningful career decisions
 - Helps avoid jobs that go against your beliefs or lifestyle
- (8)

TOTAL: 20

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