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 Basic Education
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**ANNUAL NATIONAL ASSESSMENT 2015
 GRADE 3 ENGLISH HOME LANGUAGE
 TEST**

MARKS: 40

MARKS	
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TIME: 1 hour

PROVINCE _____

DISTRICT _____

CIRCUIT _____

SCHOOL _____

EMIS NUMBER (9 digits)

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CLASS (e.g. 3A) _____

SURNAME _____

NAME _____

GENDER (✓)

BOY	
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GIRL	
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DATE OF BIRTH

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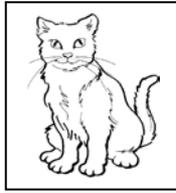
This test consists of 11 pages, excluding the cover page.

Instructions to the learner:

1. Read all the instructions and questions carefully.
2. The teacher will help you through the practice exercises before you start writing the test.
3. Answer all the questions in the spaces or frames provided.

Practice exercises

1. Cross (x) the letter in the block above the correct answer.



This is a ...

A	B	C	D
dog.	cow.	hen.	cat.

You have answered the question correctly if you have crossed (x) 'D'.

2. The following sentences tell us how to brush our teeth.

Number the sentences 1-4 in the boxes to show the correct order in which you would brush your teeth.

Wet the toothbrush.	
Rinse your mouth.	
Brush your teeth.	
Put toothpaste on the toothbrush.	

You have answered the question correctly if you have numbered the sentences in the correct order: 1, 4, 3, 2

3. Circle the letter next to the correct answer.

What is the plural of 'child'?

- A childs
- B childes
- C children
- D childrens

You have answered the question correctly if you have circled 'C'.

In your test you will answer more questions like the ones you have just completed.

The test starts on the next page.

Read the story and then answer Questions 1-9.

On 18 July 1918 a little Xhosa boy was born in a peaceful village called Mvezo. His name was Rolihlahla Mandela. He grew up in Qunu and lived with his mother Nosekeni, father Gadla and sisters Baliwe, Nothusile and others. Rolihlahla looked after cattle and played with the boys in the village.

At the age of 7, he started attending a Methodist Mission school. His teacher named him Nelson. After he had finished Grade 7, he went to a boarding school where he passed Grade 12. He qualified as a lawyer a few years later.

Mandela joined the ANC and was arrested for fighting for freedom and equality for all South Africans. He was sent to prison on Robben Island. After 27 years he was released.

In 1994 he became the first democratically elected President of South Africa. Nelson Mandela loved people and was very fond of children. He was known as Tata, which means, 'Father'. Tata died a hero on the 5th of December 2013 at the age of 95.



[Adapted from *Long Walk to Freedom*]

1. Give the story a title.

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2. Circle the letter next to the correct answer.

Who is the main character in the story?

- A Nosekeni Mandela
- B Nelson Mandela
- C Gadla Mandela
- D Baliwe Mandela

3. Place a cross (✕) in the box next to the correct answer.

What country was Mandela President of?

South America	
South Africa	
South Arabia	
South Asia	

4. Show the correct order of events in the story.

Number the sentences 1-4 in the boxes to show the correct order.

He became President in 1994.	
On 18 July 1918 a little Xhosa boy was born.	
His teacher named him Nelson.	
Tata died a hero.	

5. Why was Nelson Mandela sent to prison?

He was sent to prison because.....
.....
.....

6. Why do you think people called Nelson Mandela 'Tata'?

I think it was because.....
.....
.....

7. Read:

7.1 An adjective describes a noun. Circle **the two** adjectives in the sentence.

A little boy was born in a peaceful village.

7.2 A noun is a naming word. Circle **the two** nouns in the sentence.

He looked after cattle and played with the boys.

7.3 A conjunction is a joining word. Circle **one** conjunction in each of the sentences.

a. Mandela loved people and was fond of children.

b. His name was Rolihlahla but his teacher called him Nelson.

8. Rewrite the sentences in the: ...

8.1 past tense.

His sisters live in Qunu.

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8.2 future tense.

He fights for freedom.

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9. Rewrite the sentences. Fill in **two** punctuation marks in each sentence.

9.1 tata died a hero

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9.2 Did his father mother and sisters live in Qunu

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9.3 His teacher said, nelson, come here.

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10. Fill in the correct verbs in the spaces provided.

10.1 The boys play with sticks.

but

The boywith sticks.

10.2 He goes to a boarding school.

but

Theyto a boarding school.

11. Homophones are words that sound the same but are spelt differently and have different meanings.

Write a sentence with each word to show the different meanings.

11.1 hear

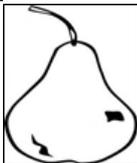
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11.2 here

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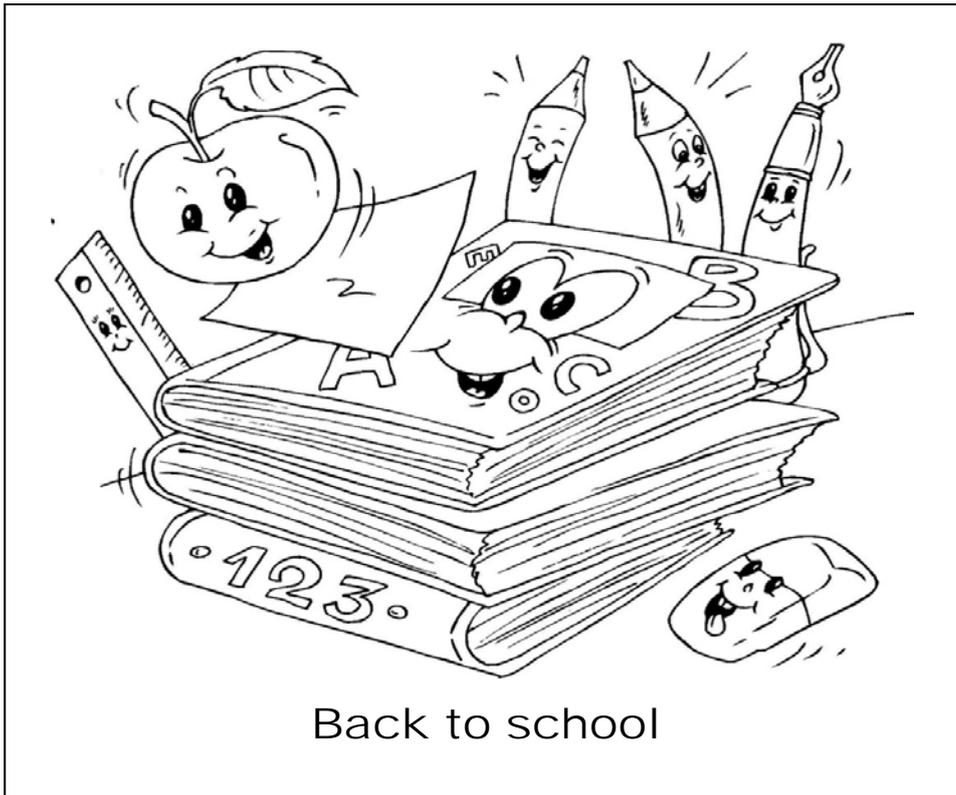
12. Look at the pictures and complete the sentences.

12.1 We ate  at my teacher's birthday party.

12.2 He likes to eat a 

12.3 Mandela's mother cuts the bread with a sharp 

13. Look at the advertisement and answer Questions 13.1 and 13.2.



[Source: DBE]

13.1 Circle the letter next to the correct answer.

Which stationery items is the store advertising?

The store is advertising ...

- A pencils and apples.
- B numbers and letters.
- C schoolbooks and smiling faces.
- D pens, rulers, erasers and schoolbooks.

13.2 Complete the following sentence.

The smiling faces tell us that going back to school makes learners
feel

14. Read the table below and answer Questions 14.1-14.3.

Grade 3 Teachers' duty list		
Name	Monday and Wednesday	Tuesday and Thursday
Mrs Gomba	Scholar patrol duty	Playground duty
Miss Kent	Playground duty	Scholar patrol duty
Mr Smith	Sport training	Meetings
Mrs Abrahams	First aid	First aid
Mr Naidoo	Meetings	Sport training

[Source: DBE]

14.1 Mrs Gomba does scholar patrol duty. Who else does scholar patrol duty?

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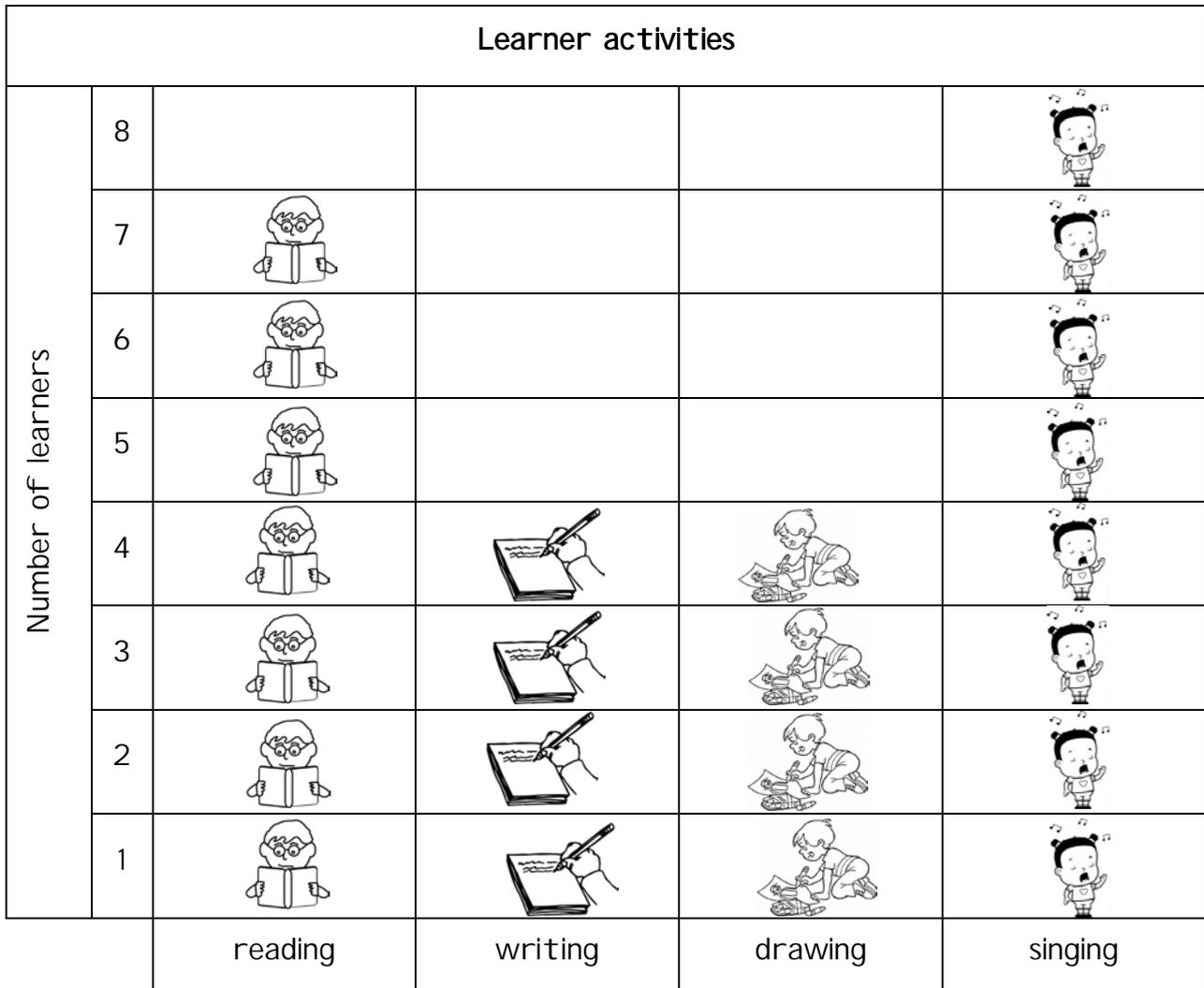
14.2 Who does the same duty from Monday to Thursday?

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14.3 When does Mr Smith have his meetings?

.....

15. Read the graph below and answer Questions 15.1 and 15.2.



[Source: DBE]

15.1 Place a cross (✗) in the box with the correct answer.

Compare the activities. What do most learners enjoy doing?

writing	drawing	reading	singing
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15.2 Place a cross (✗) in the box above the correct answer.

How many learners enjoy writing?

A	B	C	D
8	5	4	3

