



BOARD OF STUDIES
NEW SOUTH WALES

**2000
SCHOOL
CERTIFICATE
TEST**

6 November

ENGLISH—literacy

**SECTION 2
WRITING**

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Directions for Section 2

- 1 Allow about 40 minutes to answer this section
- 2 This section has TWO parts
Part F Question 50 (10 marks)
Part G Question 51 (20 marks)
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 - Write your answer to Question 50 in this booklet
 - Write your answer to Question 51 in the Part G booklet
- 4 Write your Centre Number and Student Number at the top of this page AND at the top of page 43

PART F — WRITING TASK

- Allow about 15 minutes to answer this part.
- Refer to the Part B — Short Story, *Poor Visibility*, on Pages 11 – 16 to assist you in answering Question 50.

In this Writing Task you will be assessed on your ability to:

- express yourself clearly in a formal evaluation;
- write using appropriate language for the audience and purpose;
- communicate your judgements effectively.

Question 50 (10 marks)

Imagine that the story *Poor Visibility* has been short-listed for inclusion in an anthology of short stories for young adults.

You are one of the judges whose task is to decide whether or not it should be included.

Write a brief evaluation of *Poor Visibility*. Your evaluation will be read by a panel of adult publishers.

In your evaluation you could comment on:

- the relevance of the story for young people;
- the quality and effectiveness of the writing;
- the development of character;
- any other aspects of the writing you consider important.

Do NOT write in point form. Do NOT include your name, your school's name or your address. You should write at least 150 words.

Write your evaluation on the lines provided on page 41.

End of Part F

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PART G—WRITING TASK

- Write your Centre Number and Student Number at the top of this page.
- Allow about 25 minutes to answer this part.

In this Writing Task you will be assessed on your ability to:

- express yourself clearly in the form of a feature article;
- write using appropriate language for the audience, purpose and form;
- organise, develop and communicate your advice effectively.

Question 51 (20 marks)

The material you have read and viewed in Section 1 has been concerned with youth issues.

Imagine that you have been asked to contribute a feature article to a family magazine that aims to provide advice to parents/caregivers whose children are in the 15 to 18 year-old age group.

Write a feature article in which you:

- focus on what you see as some important youth issues;
- advise parents/caregivers on how they can best support their children.

Do NOT include illustrations. Do NOT include your name. You should write at least 250 words.

Write your feature article on the lines provided on pages 44 – 45.

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