SECTION A

QUESTION 1: COMPREHENSION

Read the article that appeared in the *Saturday Dispatch* and answer all questions.

TEXT A

DRUG ABUSE RIFE AMONG YOUTH

1 With substance abuse on the rise in the Eastern Cape, the South African National Council on Drug Dependence and Alcohol (SANCA) will roll-out awareness and anti-drug campaigns. The campaigns will coincide with Drug Awareness Week which starts today.

2 Statistics from United Nations world drug report in 2014 revealed that drug abuse in South Africa is twice above global average with the average age of drug dependency in the country being from 12 years upwards.

3 In an interview, Eastern Cape Sanca director Roger Weimann said there had been a rise in the number of youth abusing drugs in the province. Most youths are using mandrax, tik (methamphetamine), crack cocaine and over-the-counter and prescription medication, he said.

4 Ginsberg-born Mongezi Sikiti, 34, said he was first introduced to drugs in his teenage years which led to an addiction that lasted more than 10 years. "I began with weed. My peers were also into drugs. I didn't know that it was opening a gateway to even bigger addictions".

5 Sikiti was sharing his life-story to a group of teenagers and young people gathered at Steve Biko Centre on Thursday for a dialogue on youth substance abuse and its impact in King William's Town.

6 Poverty, unemployment, and broken family structures were identified as the most common factors that fuel substance abuse. The province, however, remains under-resourced in providing help for battling addicts. Currently Sanca East London is the only facility in the central Eastern Cape, apart from a state unit at Fort England Hospital in Grahamstown.

7 Department of Social development spokesman Mzukisi Solani said government's rehabilitation centres included Thembelitsha Rehabilitation Centre, in O.R. Tambo district Sanca East London, Shepherd's Field, Welbedacht and a centre for under 18s in PE.

[Adapted from *Saturday Dispatch*, June 24, 2017]

1.1 Which word from the title tells us that drug abuse is a common occurrence? (1)

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1.2 What does the acronym SANCA stands for? (1)

1.3 Name any campaign that is used by SANCA to fight against drug abuse. (1)

1.4 In which month is SANCA Drug Awareness Week? (1)

1.5 The average age of drug dependency in South Africa is from 12 years upwards.

Is this a FACT or OPINION?

Give a reason for your answer. (1)

1.6 Which drug is commonly used by youth in the Province? (1)

1.7 Choose the correct answer from the options given. Write ONLY the letter of your choice as the answer.

I didn't know it was opening a **gateway** to even bigger addictions …' (paragraph 4)

"Gateway", in this context, means a/an …

A entrance with a gate.
B place where you enter.
C way to get something similar.
D place on the internet. (1)

1.8 In your opinion, do you think the Eastern Cape Social Development Department is winning the battle against drug abuse in youth?

Explain. (2)

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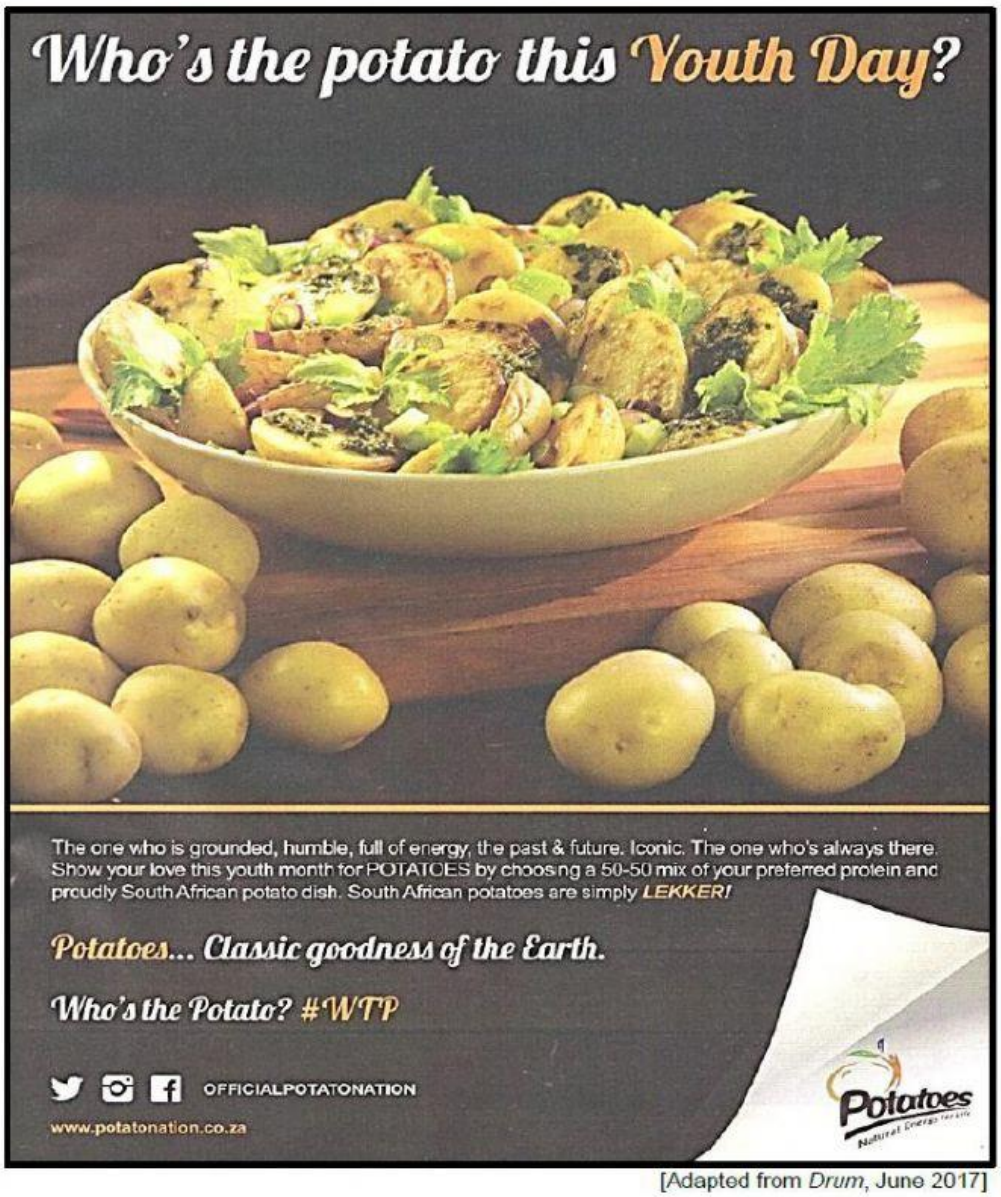
1.9 Explain in your own words how young people with drug addiction problem can get help. (1)

TEXT:B

Study the advertisement below and answer all the questions.



[Adapted from *Drum*, June 2017]

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1.10 Choose the correct answer from the options given. Write ONLY the letter of your choice as your answer.

The purpose (reason why the advertisers wrote) of this advertisement is to …

A let the readers know about the product.
B describe the product to the readers.
C encourage the readers to buy the product.
D inform the readers about Youth Day. (1)

1.11 To whom would this advertisement be directed? (Who do the advertisers want to reach with this advertisement?) (1)

Choose the correct meaning of the slang word 'LEKKER' as used in this advertisement.

A Entertaining
B Good
C Fun
D Tasty (1)

1.13 Which social network would you use to communicate with the 'potato nation'? (1)

1.14 The catch phrase, 'Who's the potato this Youth Day?', is used figuratively.

What does this phrase mean? (1)

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