SOUTH AFRICAN OLYMPIADS
ENGLISH FIRST ADDITIONAL LANGUAGE
MEMORANDUM — GRADE 9 — 2026

QUESTION ONE: COMPREHENSION (Total: 22)

No.	Correct Answer / Marking Guideline
1	The Maloney household / Mr. and Mrs. Maloney's house
2	(d)
3	(a)
4	(b)
5	(a) & (c)
6	(a)
7	(b)
8	(a) & (b)
9	(c)
10	(b)
11	(b)
12	alibi
13	(a), (b) & (d)
14	Leg of lamb
15	The leg of lamb
16	Peculiar
17	Laughing
18	Weapon

QUESTION TWO (Total: 7)

No.	Correct Answer / Marking Guideline
2.1	Roald Dahl
2.2	short, sharp, chilling (any two)
2.3	Someone Like You
2.4	17
2.5	(b)
2.6	Indicates a pause between the two main clauses

QUESTION THREE: PARTS OF SPEECH MATCHING (Total: 8)

No.	Correct Answer / Marking Guideline
3.1 tall	C — Adjective
3.2 Jack	A — Proper noun
3.3 and	D — Conjunction
3.4 on	B — Preposition
3.5 enjoying	E — Verb
3.6 slowly	G — Adverb
3.7 her	F — Pronoun
3.8 glass	H — Common noun

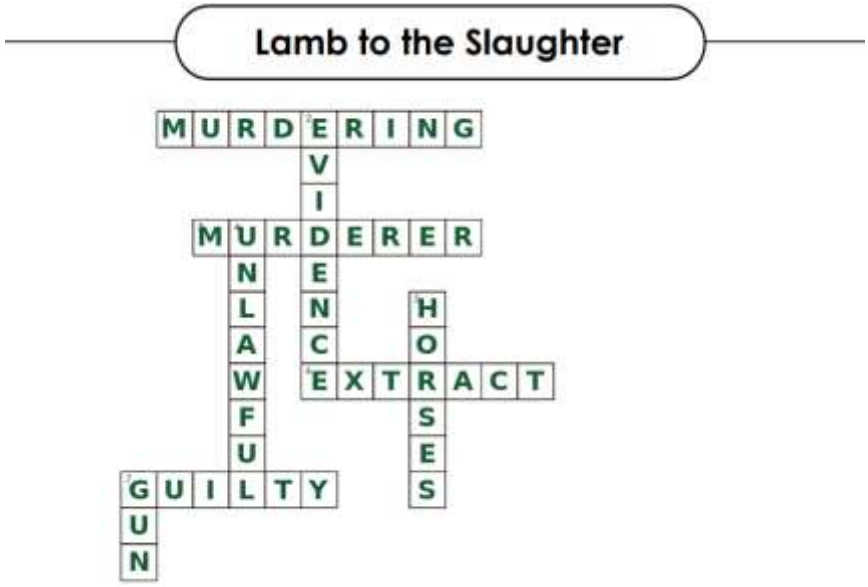
QUESTION FOUR: ADVERBS OF MANNER (Total: 3)

No.	Correct Answer / Marking Guideline
1 (frequent)	frequently
2 (extreme)	extremely
3 (hesitate)	hesitantly

QUESTION FIVE: RIDDLES (Total: 2)

No.	Correct Answer / Marking Guideline
1	Lamb or sheep
2	Fleece

QUESTION SIX: CROSSWORD (Total: 8)



TOTAL MARKS: 50