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GRADE 12 EXEMPLAR EXAMINATION QUESTION PAPERS

The Department of Education distributed exemplar examination question papers for Grade 12 to all schools in January/February 2008. The purpose of this exercise was to familiarise both learners and teachers with the format and standards of the first National Senior Certificate (NSC) examination in November 2008.

During a visit to the Province of the Eastern Cape in May 2008, officials from the National Department of Education reported that it was apparent from school visits that the exemplars had been kept by teachers for use as future assessment instruments and had not been worked through with the learners as was the intention in issuing them.

The Department of Education will again be sending Grade 12 exemplar question papers to schools. These will cover all work that should have been completed by June 2008. Once again, the intention is that these exemplars will be handed to learners and that the content will be thoroughly revised or taught, as the case may be. In order to ensure that this happens, a copy is being printed for every learner as per the Grade 12 registration.

Principals are requested to give this instruction to all teachers to action immediately in the interests of improving the results of learners in the NSC examination.

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