

EXAMINATIONS COUNCIL OF ZAMBIA

Examination for School Certificate Ordinary Level

# English Language

**1121/1**

PAPER 1

Friday

2 OCTOBER 2015

Additional materials:

Answer Booklet

Time: 1 hour 45 minutes

Marks: 40

## Instructions to candidates

- 1 Write your name, centre number and candidate number in the spaces provided on the **Answer Booklet**.
- 2 There are **two** sections in this paper. Answer **both** sections.
- 3 Write your answers in the **Answer Booklet** provided.
- 4 If you use more than one Answer Booklet, **fasten the booklets together**.

## Information for candidates

All questions in this paper carry equal marks.

You should first read through the whole paper.

You are advised to spend an equal amount of time on each section.

**Cell phones are not allowed in the examination room.**

**SECTION 1 [20 Marks]**

**You are advised not to spend more than 50 minutes on this section.**

Write on **one** of the following topics. You should write between **250** and **350** words.  
**Any words written beyond the word limit will not be considered as part of your composition.**

- 1** Write a story with **one** of the following titles:

**Either**

**(a)** There is No Smoke Without Fire.

**Or**

**(b)** Still Waters Run Deep.

- 2** Give an account of an occasion when you felt it was too late to do anything.
- 3** Describe an occasion when you disagreed with someone very close to you by clearly stating what caused the disagreement and how you resolved it.
- 4** The more beautiful or handsome you are, the more problems you face. **Argue for or against** this statement.
- 5** Teachers deserve much more money than what they currently get. Discuss.
- 6** Give an explanation of how you managed to be what you are today.

**SECTION 2 [20 Marks]**

As the head boy or head girl of your school, you have been assigned to educate your fellow learners on road traffic accidents. You have obtained the table below from the Zambia Police Traffic Department to write an article for the school magazine.

**FIRST QUARTER ROAD TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS IN ZAMBIA STATISTICS FROM  
1<sup>ST</sup> JANUARY TO 31<sup>ST</sup> MARCH, 2009**

Divisions	Accidents Reported Involving Deaths/Injuries	Persons Killed			Persons Seriously Injured			Persons Slightly Injured		
		Urban	Rural	Total	Urban	Rural	Total	Urban	Rural	Total
Lusaka	2,795	56	16	72	118	29	147	373	39	412
Copperbelt	1,240	41	24	65	184	85	269	314	60	374
Central	318	9	27	36	45	51	96	32	11	43
Southern	300	15	8	23	29	29	58	41	20	61
Eastern	189	1	15	16	16	30	46	24	32	56
Northern	137	4	5	10	12	27	39	18	7	25
Luapula	54	3	9	12	12	16	28	2	3	5
North Western	249	3	10	13	17	17	34	54	15	69
Western	128	1	4	5	8	16	24	32	11	43
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>5,410</b>	<b>133</b>	<b>118</b>	<b>252</b>	<b>441</b>	<b>300</b>	<b>741</b>	<b>890</b>	<b>198</b>	<b>1,088</b>

*(Source: Zambia Police: Traffic Department)*

Using the information from the table, write the article. The length of the article should be between **250** and **350** words. **Any words written beyond the word limit will not be considered as part of your composition.**