

**EXAMINATIONS COUNCIL OF ZAMBIA**  
Joint Examination for the School Certificate  
and General Certificate of Education Ordinary Level

**ENGLISH LANGUAGE**

**1121/1**

**PAPER 1**

Thursday

29 OCTOBER 2009

1 hour 45 minutes

ADDITIONAL MATERIALS:

Answer Booklet

1 hour 45 minutes

### INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Write your name, centre number and candidate number in the spaces provided in the Answer Booklet.

There are **two** sections in this paper. Answer **both** sections.

Write your answers in the Answer Booklet paper provided.

If you use more than one Answer Booklet, fasten the Answer Booklets together.

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### 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.**

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This question paper consists of 3 printed pages.

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**SECTION 1**

**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.

- 1 Write an account of the goodness of belonging to a church organization.
- 2 Write on the advantages or disadvantages of keeping a dog or dogs at home.
- 3 How is your community organized to ensure that its members help one another when they are in trouble?
- 4 School days are the best days of one's life. Argue for or against this statement.
- 5 Write a story with one of the following statements:
  - (a) "No one sympathized with her even when she lay in a pool of blood."

**OR**

- (b) "A stitch in time saves nine."
- 6 Love is sacrifice. Describe an incident when you had to sacrifice for the love of someone or something.

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## SECTION 2

**You are advised to spend about 50 minutes on this section.**

Four English teachers comprising three women and one man of High Park School in England, want to visit your school which was recently twined with their school. Being their first visit to Zambia, especially to your school, they want advance information to help them prepare adequately for the visit. Here are some points to help you provide the much needed information.

- Climatic conditions
- Medical facilities
- Food-where and type
- Clothing and personal equipment
- Condition of roads
- Where to stay
- Bank and communication
- Transport
- Teaching
- Tourist attractions
- Petrol and vehicle repairs

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Using the points provided above, in suitable order, and any other related points write a letter to the Principal of High Park School in England. Your letter should be between 250 and 350 words long.