



For Performance Measurement

ZIMBABWE SCHOOL EXAMINATIONS COUNCIL
General Certificate of Education Ordinary Level

ENGLISH LANGUAGE

4005/1

PAPER 1

1 hour 30 minutes

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Additional materials:
Answer booklet

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Write your name, centre number and candidate number in the spaces provided on the answer booklet.

Read the paper carefully before answering the questions.

Answer **two** questions.

Answer **one** question from **Section A** and the **one** from **Section B**.

Write your answers on the separate answer booklet provided.

INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES

The number of marks is given in brackets [] at the end of each question.

This question paper consists of 3 printed pages.

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... of the following topics. You should not treat question 7 as a character's name. Your answer should be between 350 and 450 words in length.

Mistakes in spelling, punctuation and grammar may be penalised in any part of the paper.

1 Describe a beautiful scenery that stole your heart. [30]

2 Write a short story on **one** of the following statements:

(a) His heart beat fast as he retraced his way back to his parents' home. [30]

(b) When she read the contents of the letter, she was filled with great relief. [30]

.N.B: You will be penalised if you **force** any of the above statements into any story which has no relevance to the statement.

3 How can students at your school assist orphans and vulnerable children in your society? [30]

4 'All students should be forced to reveal their HIV status on admission into Zimbabwean schools.' Discuss. [30]

5 An occasion when your world crumbled. [30]

... suspended when there is a pandemic.' [30]

SECTION B (20 MARKS)

You are advised to spend **40 minutes** on this section.
Answer the following question. Begin your answer on a fresh page.

- 8 Imagine you are about to sit for the final examinations and you are focused on improving your grades. Write a letter to your brother, highlighting some of the challenges you are facing and request for materials to assist you in preparation for the examinations.

Use the following points and add other relevant ideas of your own to write the letter. Suggest reasons to justify the request for each of the materials.

- internet access
- textbooks and revision books
- library
- school fees arrears
- vacation school fees

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