

ZIMBABWE REPUBLIC POLICE EDUCATION SECTION

GRADE 7 MOCK EXAMINATION 2015

**ENGLISH
PAPER 2**

September 2015

Time: 1 hour 30 minutes

SECTION A: COMPOSITION (20 MARKS)

You are advised to spend **1 hour** on this section.

1 Answer **either** 1 (a) or 1(b).

Either (a)

Write a composition about the wedding feast you witnessed.

Your composition should be between **80 and 120 words** in length. Use all the following points and any other you may think of to write your composition.

- Who tied the knot?
- Where the ceremony was held?
- When it took place?
- How it was conducted?
- How the bride and bridegroom felt

Or (b)

Your school has been assisted to start a project by the Member of Parliament for your home area. Write a report about the progress made on the project.

Your report should be between **80 and 120 words** in length. Use the following points and any other you may think of to write your report.

- The type of project
- The success of the project
- The problems encountered
- How the project is helping people
- When the project will be completed

SECTION B: COMPREHENSION (10 MARKS)

You are advised to spend **30 minutes** on this section.

2 Read the following passage carefully before you attempt any questions.

Answer all the questions in full sentences. You are advised to write your sentences in good grammar and to punctuate them correctly.

Hiking and Exploring

Whether you are going out for a short morning walk, an all day hike, or several days of exploring, there are certain things to check before you ever leave home. First, and most important, make sure someone at home knows where you are going, when you are leaving, and when you will be back. Unless you are going for just a short hike over ground that's common to you, it's best and safest to explore with at least one other person. If one of you gets sick or hurt, the other can go for help.

The kind and amount of equipment you take with you depends on where you are going and how long you will be gone. A good pair of walking shoes or boots should be first on your list. A canteen of water and a first-aid kit with bandages and soap should always be a part of your gear, even if you are planning just a short hike.

Pack enough food for your trip. Dried fruits and nuts are good trail food. They are lightweight, easy to pack and high in food value. For longer trips, you might want to pack some dry foods or soup to mix with boiling water. Be prepared for sudden changes in weather. Pack an extra pair of socks and a warm jacket or sweater. A rainproof poncho may also come in handy.

As you become more familiar with the outdoors, you will develop enough stamina to carry equipment for overnight or for longer adventures. Finally you should remember the two more important things that every explorer beginner should pack before setting out. These are maps and a compass.

Questions

- (a) What is the first important thing to be done before going out for hiking and exploring? [1]
- (b) Why is it important to explore with at least one person? [1]
- (c) What determines the kind and amount of equipment you take with you, when going out for hiking and exploring? [1]
- (d) Which word in the passage means ‘**common**’? [1]
- (e) According to the passage what can be kept in a first–aid kit? [1]
- (f) Name **two** advantages of packing dried fruits and nuts for a trip, as mentioned in the passage. [2]
- (g) Give a phrase which means ‘**to be strong**’ as used in the passage. [1]
- (h) According to the passage what are the **two** important things that every explorer beginner should pack before setting out. [2]