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EXAMINATIONS COUNCIL OF ZAMBIA

**Joint Examination for the School Certificate and General Certificate of Education Ordinary Level**

# ENGLISH LANGUAGE 1121/2

**PAPER 2**

**Thursday** **28 OCTOBER 2010** **2 hours**

**Candidates answer on the question paper**
**No additional materials are required**

**TIME: 2 hours**

## INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Write your name, centre number and candidate number in the spaces at the top of this page.

There are **three (3)** questions in this paper.

Answer **all** questions.

Write your answers on the spaces provided on the question paper.

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**Answer all three questions**

**Question 1 Summary [20 Marks]**

**Read the following passage carefully and then answer the question that follows.**

Guavas, also known as a poor man's apple, grow as one of the most common fruits in Zambia.

The fruit is cheap, easy to grow and has many medicinal benefits.

National Food and Nutrition Commission nutritionists say that one can get the health and medicinal benefits of the guava by either eating the fruit or drinking a solution made from boiling the leaves of the guava tree.

The guava is consumed not only by humans, but also by birds and animals. Through bird droppings and animal waste, the guava has been spread to most parts of Zambia.

Guavas are eaten raw and with their seeds as well as their skin. The fruit is rich in both Vitamins A and C. Vitamin A is good for eyesight and prevention of blindness while Vitamin C helps in one having a good skin.

Vitamin A also boosts the immune system of both sick and healthy people.

Since Zambia has a high prevalence of Vitamin A deficiency, guavas are recommended for daily consumption.

Vitamin C is an essential nutrient required for a number of metabolic reactions. A guava contains more of this vitamin than a typical citrus fruit – the rind contains over five times more Vitamins C than an orange.

Additionally, Vitamin C results in healthier people because it acts as an antioxidant that prevents oxidative reactions that can damage or kill cells.

Vitamin C prevents scurvy, a disease where the mucous membranes of the linings of various body cavities start bleeding. Vitamin C is mainly in the skin than in the flesh of the guava fruit. It is highest when the fruit is nearly ripe and less in the fully ripe and soft fruit. Thus the guava is best consumed before it is fully ripe.

The seeds of the guava are also consumed and these contain omega-3 and omega-6 polyunsaturated fatty acids. Supportive, but not conclusive research, has shown that omega-3 may reduce the risk of coronary heart disease or blood circulatory problems. Studies have also shown possible anti-cancer effects especially on breasts, colon and prostate cancer. Omega-6 polyunsaturated fatty acids are converted in the body into forms that the body can utilise. The forms they are converted to are found in every tissue of the body. Guava seeds, as hard as they may be, contain high levels of dietary fibre. Dietary fibre is the non-digestible part of plant food that helps in bowel movement. Dietary fibre is also known as roughage.

Guavas also contain dietary minerals. These are chemical components required by living organisms. Appreciable amounts of potassium are found in guavas. This is important for the balance of pressure in the cells. Another dietary mineral is magnesium. It too is essential for cells. It has a role in the functioning of more than 300 enzymes in the body. Guavas also contain carotenoids. These are pigments that are naturally occurring which enhance the immune system. The polyphenols found in guavas may have antioxidant properties.

The reddish or orangish guavas have more potential of being the source of both the carotenoids and polyphenols than the yellowish green.

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**QUESTION**

According to the passage, what are the nutritional values of the guava fruit to the body?

**Use not more than 125 words.**

**The answer has been started for you.**

The guava fruit has many nutritional values to the body. It .....

**Question 2 COMPREHENSION [20 MARKS]**

**Read the following passage carefully and then answer the questions that follow.**

1 Ben Franklin said the only sure things in life are death and taxes. He left something out, however: disappointment. No one gets through life without experiencing any disappointment. They are unwelcome but regular visitors to everyone's life. Strangely, though, most people seem unprepared for disappointments and react to them in negative ways. They feel depressed or try to escape their troubles instead of using them as an opportunity for growth as we can see in the characters of the following three people:

2 Helen, a woman trying to win a promotion, works hard for over a year in her department. Helen is so sure that she will get the promotion, in fact, she has already picked out the car she will buy when her salary increase comes through. However, the boss names one of Helen's co-workers to the post. The fact that all the other departmental employees tell Helen that she is the one who really deserved the promotion does not help her to deal with the crushing disillusionment. Deeply depressed, Helen decides that all her goals are doomed to defeat. She loses her enthusiasm for the job and can barely force herself to show up every day. She decides that doing a good job isn't worth the work.

3 Jamal fails to get into the college his brother is attending; the college that was the focus of his dreams from childhood. He crossly decides not to worry about it. "Why worry about college at all?" he asks himself. Instead he conceals his real state of mind by giving up on his school work and getting completely involved with friends, parties and 'good times'. Similarly, Carla doesn't make it to be part of the university basketball team, something she wanted very badly. She refuses to take part in all sports at all. She chooses to hang around with a set of new friends who 'get high' every day, then she won't have to confront reality.

4 The best way to react to besetting experiences is by trying to use them as a chance for growth or by trying to exploit other available options. This may not be easy, but it's the only useful way to deal with an inevitable part of life. If your boss does not recognise your talents or hard work, you could perhaps transfer to another department, or you may ask the boss how best you could improve your performance to be eligible for future recognition. Not being promoted, or being turned down by one school or college, isn't a final judgement on your abilities or potential. You could easily go to another school or college. The first choice is not necessarily the best. If you cannot be promoted now, or if you cannot be taken on and included in the sport you badly need now, you just need to be patient. You may decide to continue improving your skills in that job or that sport for some time, or you may pick up another career or sport.

5 In the face of trouble or frustration, man's natural reaction is not to ask the right questions, but to complain, despair, give up and blame other people. This negative spirit drives away friends and other people because nobody wants to hang around a person who has a self-pitying, pessimistic outlook on life. The question to ask in the face of disappointments is not "Why me?" but "What next?" because every one has their unique share of these in life. Problems and disappointments should lead to better and not bitter resolutions. It is not easy, however, to ask "What next?" when the heart is breaking. But it should be comforting to realise that everyone is struggling with their own private setbacks.

6 When strong hope and faith collide with unexpected negative realities, when prayers seem not to be answered and when long cherished dreams are suddenly shattered, disappointment, followed by frustration is often the result. This should not be so. One ought to step over the unwelcome visitor and get on with life, because whether one likes it or not, and with or without unfulfilled desires, life continues. Some people think that following Christ will give them special immunity against troubles, that getting a higher degree will guarantee a good job or a promotion, that being beautiful promises a good marriage and that being rich will bring lasting peace and satisfaction. While these expectations are not evil, it is dangerous to think and expect things to work out like that. Such expectations are a recipe for serious frustrations in the face of the unexpected turn of events. It is safer to view life as a series of surmountable disappointments.

Life can certainly appear that way because setbacks crop up more often in the life of everyone, it seems, than satisfaction.

Slightly adapted from Langan, 1. (2003) in College Writing skills Media Edition The McGraw Hill Companies' inc. USA.

**In each of the questions 1 – 9 , select the best of the four choices given. Show the letter of your choice by putting a ring around it on the question paper, as in the example below. If you change your mind, cross the ring very neatly. Answer question 10 according to instructions**

**Example:** This passage is about •••

**A** patience.
**B** troubles in life.
(**C**) disappointments.
**D** positive thinking.

**C** is the best answer and, as you can see, it has been ringed.

1 According to Paragraph 1, Ben Franklin says •••

**A** disappointments are bound to come in life.
**B** death and taxes are welcome in life.
**C** death, taxes and disappointments are bound to come in life.
**D** death and taxes are bound to come in life.

2 In paragraph 2 we are told that Helen was disappointed mainly because •••

**A** other workers in the department told her that she was the one who deserved to be promoted.
**B** everybody knew that she was a hard-working woman.

**C** she realised that everything else she might try to do in life would fail.

**D** she was so sure of being promoted soon that she even made plans for it.

**3** 'Helen decides that doing a good job isn't just worth the work'.This sentence means doing a good job is •••

**A** not equal to the work.

**B** not fairly rewarded.

**C** wasting time.

**D** painful.

**4** According to Paragraph 3, 'good times' means Times •••

**A** that help one to forget their troubles.

**B** for getting involved with friends and attending parties.

**C** of questionable goodness.

**D** for fun and merry making.

**5** According to Paragraph 4, being denied a chance to do what you desire means giving you the opportunity to •••

**A** grow into an experienced and wise adult.

**B** try other things or to perfect your talents.

**C** examine your life properly and improve.

**D** perfect your talents and attitude.

**6** It is wrong, according to the passage, to ask, "Why me?" when you are faced with situations that are disappointing. This is because such questions lead to •••

**A** self-pity and surrender.

**B** blaming other people.

**C** friends and other people running away from you.

**D** more problems in life.

**7** People keep away from a person with a negative outlook on life and who is always complaining probably because •••

**A** complaining is by its very nature painful to the hearers.

**B** they get tired of hearing the complaints every time they meet.

**C** one should either try to be positive about life or should be left alone.

**D** they don't know how to encourage such a person.

**8** According to Paragraph 6, who is referred to as 'the unwelcome visitor'?

**A** Someone who likes complaining.

**B** Immunity against troubles.

**C** Dreams.

**D** Disappointment.

9 It may be good to consider life as a series of surmountable setbacks principally because •••

**A** disappointments and setbacks follow each other as a sort of series in life.

**B** such an attitude can assist one to accept disappointments as normal.

**C** everyone experiences disappointments.

**D** it can assist one to acquire maturity and growth.

10 **Choose the underlined words in the passage that mean the same or nearly the same as the ones below. Write the words against each word or phrase.**

**A** can be overcome .....

**B** interest.....

**C** unavoidable .....

**D** promise.....

**Question 3 Structure**

**Answer both Section 1 and Section 2**

**Section 1 [10 Marks]**

**In each of the following items, sentence A is complete, but sentence B is incomplete. Complete sentence B each time making it as similar as possible in meaning to sentence A. Make sentence B one sentence, never two.-**

Do not make any changes to the printed parts of sentence B.

**Example**: **A** He is very lazy. He cannot pass the examination.

**B** He is so .....

**Answer:** He is so lazy that he cannot pass the examination.

1 **A** The snake was crossing the road when Peter killed it.

**B** Crossing.....

2 **A** We failed to visit you because the road was bad.

**B** But for .....

3 **A** The President and ten other government officials are touring our village.

**B** Use 'as well as' instead of 'and' .....

4 **A** Angry and proud, Joseph resolved to fight back.

**B** With .....

5 **A** He borrowed the money from his friend last week.

**B** His .....

6 **A** I only realised how dangerous the man was after meeting him.

**B** Only.....

**7** **A** She is so intelligent that she will be selected for Grade Ten.

**B** She is too .....

**8** **A** He rarely goes to the village.

**B** Rarely .....

**9** **A** Jane lived longer than her brother.

**B** .....survived .....

**10** **A** They didn't think he would pass so well.

**B** He passed .....

## Section 2 [10 Marks]

**The underlined words in the following sentences are incorrectly used. Supply the correct word and write it in the spaces provided for each sentence.**

**Example:** We reached at the garage before dawn. Answer: Arrived

**1** Mutale refused to tell me how the new school bus looks like. 1 _____

**2** The Victoria Falls is such a wonder. 2 _____

**3** The farmer's definition of a herb is 'a plant in a wrong place'. 3 _____

**4** Has somebody been here? 4 _____

**5** I have looked for this word in the dictionary but I still don't understand it. 5 _____

**6** Of the three, Zangose is the better intelligent. 6 _____

**7** When he arrived at home, he was received by smiles. 7 _____

**8** If I knew, I can come. 8 _____

**9** Zambia National team lost Luanda 1 - 0. 9 _____

**10** Nomiya received a bundle of flowers from her cousin yesterday. 10 _____

**11** The dog waved its tail when it saw its master. 11 _____

**12** I saw three sheeps at the park last week. 12 _____

**13** My head was paining yesterday. 13 _____

**14** I saw a crowd of ships at the harbour last week. 14 _____

**15** A bird of prey has four toes on each leg. 15 _____

**16** All invited guests were sitted by 10.00 hours. 16 _____

**17** The alterations rendered the document null and bad. 17 _____

**18** A good lawyer will always have many customers. 18 _____

**19** We travelled by boat from South Africa to Madagascar and I didn't enjoy the journey. 19 _____

**20** When my father died in a car accident, my family was in morning for three months. 20 _____