

THE UNIFIED EXAMINATION
Junior Middle Level
PAPER 1
(1 hour 40 minutes)

SECTION A: COMPOSITION (20%)

Write a composition of not less than 120 words on one of the following topics.

1. Qualities of a good teacher.
2. Mankind is irresponsible in looking after nature. Do you agree?
3. An unforgettable camping activity.
4. You witnessed a bullying incident near the school. Write an account of the incident.
5. Lessons you have learnt in the midst of the Covid-19 pandemic.

SECTION B: SUMMARY WRITING (10%)

Based on the passage given, write a summary of **not more than 60 words** on **effects of social media networks**.

Communication technology is changing our life more than ever before. Mobile phones, emails, social networks and the Internet are common. Social media sites can be so addictive that people, especially youngsters, do not want to spend time with anything else. They live their relationships in a virtual world.

People often choose to talk to each other via mobile phones, Skype or communicate via Facebook because they may be afraid of getting to know each other, face to face. However, by doing this, they are missing out on the partner's facial expressions or the gestures that the other makes. Emotions are reduced to likes or dislikes, smiley faces or other emoticons.

Psychology experts have also noticed that more and more marriages are breaking up. One of the reasons may be because Facebook makes it possible to communicate with old friends from high school or former boy or girl friends that you have not had contact with in ages. Couples are not communicating with each other as they should in real life. They share or argue about things publicly. Many things that should be private have become public.

In the future, more social networks may pop up. More and more sites on the web are telling people to share. The more followers and friends we have, the more excited we get.

Your summary must :

- * **not be more than 60 words**
- * be in continuous writing (not note form)
- * be written in one paragraph

Use your own words as far as possible without changing its original meaning.

SECTION C: CLOZE TEST (10%)

Read the passage right through and then fill in each blank with ONE appropriate word.

Nowadays, all schools have computers. Computers are becoming an important _____ (1) to teach. They are popular _____ (2) students because computer literacy today _____ (3) a basic skill all students must know. But the _____ (4) has a huge set back in teaching and learning. In many cases, _____ (5) teachers do not have enough training and experience to use the computer. Teachers also need to find good software _____ (6) is suitable. They also need to make sure that all _____ (7) get equal chance to use the computers. Then if the computers are _____ (8), there are problems like being slow, having limited memory, and not being compatible with the _____ (9) software. Another problem faced by schools is the lack of _____ (10) to buy the necessary accessories.