

HIN HUA HIGH SCHOOL
UEC TRIAL EXAMINATION 2025
Junior Middle Level
ENGLISH LANGUAGE
PAPER 1

Date : 27 August 2025
Time : 8.00 a.m. - 9:45 a.m.
(1 hour 45 minutes)

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

1. This subject comprises **Paper 1 (40%) and Paper 2 (60%)**.
2. Paper 1 consists of three sections:

Section A : Composition	(20%)
Section B : Summary Writing	(10%)
Section C : Cloze Test	(10%)
3. Complete Paper 1 within the 1 hour 45 minutes allocated. After a 15-minute interval, proceed to complete Paper 2 within the 1 hour 20 minutes allocated.
4. Your composition will be assessed on its content, organisation, style, vocabulary, grammar, spelling and format.
5. Please use **blue** or **black** ink to write your answers.
6. All answers in **Section C** should be written on the **foolscap paper** provided. Make sure that the numbers of your answers correspond to the numbers of the questions.
7. Arrange the answer scripts in sectional order and staple them together.
8. Paper 1 consists of 3 printed pages.

Instructions on Submission of Paper 1:

- 1. Staple the answer sheets.*
- 2. With your details facing out, fold the question paper and answer sheet together into a stack.*
- 3. Submit all papers.*

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Name: _____ English Class: _____ Seat Number: _____

SECTION A: COMPOSITION (20%)

*Write a composition of not less than 120 words on one of the following topics. State the **topic number** clearly on the foolscap paper.*

1. An unforgettable experience on the Report Card Day
2. Write a story beginning with: “*I was not going to put up with him anymore.*”
3. It is said that money can’t buy happiness. Do you agree? Give reasons to support your view.
4. Why is parents’ advice important to teenagers?
5. The best movie you have ever watched

SECTION B: SUMMARY WRITING (10%)

*Based on the passage given, write a summary of not more than 60 words on **how open burning affects us**. Your summary must be in continuous form and written in one paragraph. Use your own words as far as possible and state in brackets the number of words you have written.*

A very good morning to the principal, teachers and fellow friends. In conjunction with World Environment Day, I would like to highlight an issue which requires our attention – Open Burning.

Do you know that open burning affects us greatly? You would be surprised to know that it is an activity that greatly pollutes the environment. This pollution happens when open burning releases high levels of toxic gases into the atmosphere like carbon monoxide, carbon dioxide and nitrogen oxides.

Besides contaminating the atmosphere, these gases also contribute to the greenhouse effect which leads to global warming. Meanwhile, the ash that is a by-product of open burning is usually the main cause of haze.

But that's not all. The haze, as many of us have experienced, reduces visibility, and on days when the Air Pollution Index (API) is dangerously high, our ability to see clearly is significantly impaired. This can lead to accidents on the road, in the workplace, or even at home.

People would also be generally affected by this irresponsible activity. Some may be affected by respiratory problems. With high contaminants in the air, some may also suffer from irritation to the eyes, nose and throat.

Meanwhile, certain people may face serious medical conditions like asthmatic attacks which could be fatal. Open burning can also cause other ailments like headaches, fatigue, nausea, vomiting and even life-threatening diseases like cancer.

So, my dear friends, do refrain from open burning. Stop before it is too late! Thank you.

(Adapted from PMR summary 2009)

SECTION C: CLOZE TEST (10%)

*Each of the numbered blanks below stands for **one** word that has been omitted. Read the passage and then fill in each blank with **one** appropriate word. The first blank has been filled in for you. All answers should be written on the **foolscap paper** provided.*

Maintaining healthy eating habits is essential (0) for a strong and active lifestyle. A balanced diet (1) _____ the right mix of nutrients such as carbohydrates, proteins, fats, vitamins, and minerals. Eating a variety of foods ensures the body (2) _____ the nutrients it needs to function optimally.

(3) _____, unhealthy eating habits, such as relying on processed foods and sugary drinks, can lead to serious health problems. Obesity, diabetes, and heart disease (4) _____ closely linked with poor dietary choices. Instead, individuals (5) _____ focus on eating whole, natural foods and monitoring portion sizes carefully.

Drinking plenty of water is another crucial habit. Staying hydrated not only aids digestion but also maintains energy level (6) _____ the day. On the other hand, skipping (7) _____ disrupts metabolism often leads to overeating later.

Developing healthy eating habits also includes mindful eating. (8) _____ the time to chew food slowly and savor meals encourages better digestion and helps prevent overeating. Avoiding distractions, such as watching television while eating, (9) _____ individuals to focus on their food.

In conclusion, adopting good eating habits is not just about maintaining (10) _____ healthy weight but also enhancing overall well-being. Small, consistent changes can lead to lifelong benefits.

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