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.

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SECTION A (30 MARKS)

You are advised to spend **50 minutes** on this section.

Write a composition on **one** 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.

1 Describe the heaviest rains you have ever witnessed. [30]

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

(a) That was the most difficult decision he had to make.

(b) Her laboratory test results shocked him. [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 'Students are the ones to blame for poor performance in Zimbabwean schools.' What are your views? [30]

4 Describe an incident when a school bully was defeated. [30]

5 Write about a successful club in your school, bringing out why it is popular. [30]

6 'The Covid-19 lockdown period brought more harm than good to families in Zimbabwe.' Discuss. [30]

7 Punishment. [30]

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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 The table below shows the number of cases of diseases among children aged seven to twelve years. The cases were recorded at Pasi Clinic in the past week.

Diseases	**Number of Cases Recorded**
1. Diarrhoea	20
2. Cough	19
3. Scabies	27
4. Bilharzia	18
5. Kwashiokor	25
6. Malaria	30

As the Environmental Health Officer of your area, write an article to the Editor of your local newspaper on the common diseases. Suggest possible causes of the diseases and ways to reduce the incidence of such cases.

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