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MID-TERM II 2025 EXAM
GRADE 9 – ENGLISH PAPER 2 – 901/2
(Composition and Literary Analysis)



Time: 1 hour 45 mins

NAME: _____
SCHOOL: _____
STREAM: _____ DATE: _____

INSTRUCTIONS

- a) Write your name, school, stream and date in the spaces provided above.
- b) This question paper consists of two sections: **A** and **B**.
- c) Answer **ALL** questions in this paper.
- d) Write **ALL** the answers in the spaces provided in this question paper.
- e) Do **NOT** remove any page from this question paper.
- f) Answer the questions in **English**.

ASSESSMENT RUBRIC

RANGE (%)	LEVEL
80 - 100	Exceeding expectation
60 - 79	Meeting expectation
40 - 59	Approaching expectation
0 - 39	Below expectation

LEARNER'S SCORE

SCORES		TOTAL
A (Out of 15)		
B (Out of 35)		

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SECTION A: COMPOSITION (15 marks)

1. *Write your essay composition in the spaces provided below.*

Do you think school uniform should be mandatory? Support your opinion.





SECTION B: LITERARY ANALYSIS (35 marks)

ORAL LITERATURE

2. Read the story below and then answer the questions that follow. (10 marks)

A long time ago, the Earth was dark and cold. There was no light in the sky, and people lived in fear. They couldn't see clearly and didn't know when it was day or night.

In the sky lived two powerful spirits: **Sun** and **Moon**. They were brother and sister, and children of the Great Sky Mother. Sun was full of fire and energy. Moon was calm and quiet, with a soft, glowing light. One day, they looked down and saw the people struggling. They decided to help.

Sun went first. As he moved across the sky, everything lit up. The people were amazed. They could see the trees, animals, and even each other for the first time. The world became warm and bright.

But after some time, Sun's heat became too strong. Rivers dried up. The plants started to die, and the people became tired and thirsty.

Then Moon came. She rose into the sky and gave a cool, silver light. The world calmed down. The people rested and slept. It was peaceful.

But after too long, the world became too cold and dark again. Crops couldn't grow, and animals got confused. So the Great Sky Mother called her children. She said, *'You are both important. The Earth needs both of you. Sun, you will shine during the day. Moon, you will glow during the night. You must take turns to keep the world in balance.'*

From that day on, Sun rises in the morning to bring light and warmth. Moon rises at night to give rest and peace. Sometimes, they meet in the sky; during an eclipse; and people look up in wonder at their rare meeting.

a) Which genre of oral narrative story is this? (1 mark)

b) Identify any **two** characteristics of oral narratives present in this story. (2 marks)

c) Who were the main characters in the story? (2 marks)

d) Identify **one** stylistic device used in the story. (1 mark)

e) Why is the story passed down orally instead of being written at first? (1 mark)
