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(Imaginative Composition and essays based on set Texts)  
**Paper 3**  
**July/ August 2009**  
**Time: 2½ Hours**

**MANGA DISTRICT SECONDARY SCHOOLS**  
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**INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES**

- Answer **three** questions
- Questions **one** and **two** are compulsory
- Choose any **one** question from the optional set texts
- If more than **one** optional text question is attempted only the first one is marked
- Each essay should not be more than 450 words

*This paper consists of 2 printed pages.  
Candidates should check the question paper to ensure that all pages are printed as indicated  
and no questions are missing*

1. **Imaginative Composition.**

**Either**

- a) Write a story illustrating the saying, 'Better to have tried and failed than never to have tried at all'

**Or**

- b) Write a story with the following beginning:  
This was no ordinary day for a child orphaned by HIV and AIDS. Never before had the future looked.....

2. **Compulsory set text: The River Between by Ngugi wa Thiong'o** (20mks)  
"Rivalry and hatred seem to be the driving force of the novel", write a composition to support the truth of this statement. Illustrate your answer from the novel 'The River Between.'
3. **Optional set text: Homestretch: by Velma Pollard** (20mks)  
Write a composition on challenges/ problems experienced by Africans in the diaspora. Draw your illustrations from the novel Homestretch by Velma Pollard.
4. **Optional set text: Shreds of Tenderness by John Ruganda.**  
"Odie is his own enemy". Write a composition to validate the truth of this statement in relation to Shreds of Tenderness
5. **Optional set text: Short stories: Half a Day and Other Stories:** (20mks)  
"Hama Tuma is against ills in society". Write an essay in support of the statement. Draw your illustrations from Hama Tuma's short story, 'Government by Magic spell'.