



CHAMBE ZONE EXAMINATION BOARD

2023 END OF TERM ONE EXAMINATION

STANDARD 8 ENGLISH

(100 MARKS)

Monday, 11th December

Time Allowed: 2 hours
(10:00-12:00am)

CANDIDATE NAME: _____

NAME OF SCHOOL: _____

SECTION A (30 MARKS)

Answer one question only from this section on the lined answer sheets. Write between 100 and 150 words.

EITHER

1. Imagine that you went to village during the holiday. Write a letter to your friend telling him/ her about your visit. In your letter include the following points;

Paragraph 1

- Name of your village
- When you visited your village
- How you travelled to your village

Paragraph 2

- Two people you went to with
- What you carried for the people at the village
- Why did you decide to visit the village?

Paragraph 3

- Two things that you learnt from the village
- Two pieces of the advice you can give to your friend who also not visiting their village.

OR

Imagine that there was a quiz competition between your school and a nearby school. Write a composition entitled THE QUIZ COMPETITION. In your composition include the following points.

Paragraph 1

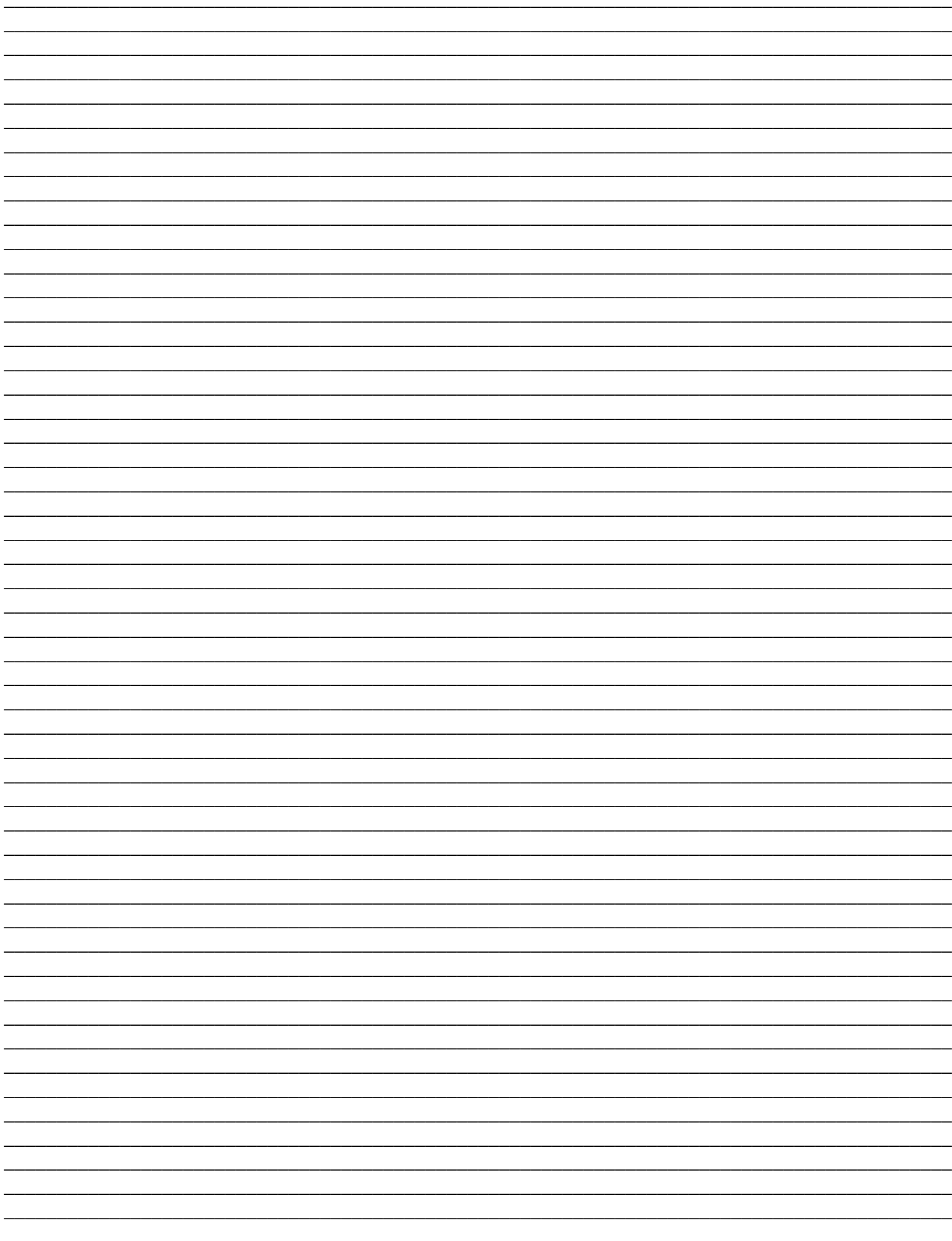
- Where the quiz took place
- When it took place
- How many learners attended the quiz competition?

Paragraph 2

- Which school won the completion
- What prizes the s that your school will have from such completion winning school received

Paragraph 3

- Three benefit that your school will have from such competition



SECTION (20 MARKS)

2. COMPREHENSION

Read following passage carefully and answer questions that follows

Solomon was a fifteen years old boy who liked school very much. He always obeyed his teacher at Liukin primary school. His classmate loved him because he was humble, quite, well behaved and hardworking.

Solomon’s dream was to become a teacher or an engineer. He like consulting his teacher in order to know more about how he could fulfill his dreams. He always wrote his homework and studied every day before he went to bed.

Although, Solomon liked school, life was tough for him. He lost both parents when he was in standard three. Since then, he has lived with his grandmother. His grandmother was a widow. She has lost her husband when Solomon was two years old. His grandmother wanted to see her grandson every day. Solomon grew up a God fearing boy.

One day, Solomon thought of beginning an enterprise. He asked his grandmother for some money. The grandmother gave him k1000. On a market day, Solomon bought some unpolished rice. His grandmother polished the rice for him. He sold it for K1500. His grandmother was happy with the profit. She knew that her grandson could easily become independent.

QUESTIONS

- a. Where did Solomon go to learn _____ (2 marks)
- b. State **two** qualities of Solomon at school _____ (2marks)
- c. To fulfil his dreams, what did Solomon do? Mention **two** points _____ (2 marks)
- d. Why was life tough for Solomon _____ (2 marks)
- e. What words in the story mean the same as?
 - (i) Hunting for information (paragraph 2) _____ (2 marks)
 - (ii) Very difficult (paragraph 3) _____ (2 marks)
 - (iii) Apart from consulting his teachers, what other things did Solomon do to fulfil his dreams _____ (2 marks)
- f. Give the title of the story _____ (2 marks)

SECTION C (10 MARKS)

3. Punctuate the following sentences

- a. Wow it’s time to watch football
- b. How old are you
- c. My mother is a farmer
- d. They grow maize ground nuts and cassava.

e. John is playing football.

SECTION D (10 MARKS)

4. Make sentences with each of the following word to show that you understand its meaning.

- a. Famous _____ (2 marks)
- b. Behind _____ (2 marks)
- c. Early _____ (2 marks)
- d. Started _____ (2 marks)
- e. Death _____ (2 marks)

SECTION E

Question 5 – 17

Answer all question in this section by encircling the letter A, B, C, or D representing the right answer to each question.

- 5. The sick baby was taken _____ the hospital.
 - A. By
 - B. From
 - C. Into
 - D. To
- 6. James was applying _____ a job as a watchman.
 - A. Into
 - B. To
 - C. From
 - D. For
- 7. _____ Kalapa nor Chrisom has gone to school.
 - A. Both
 - B. Neither
 - C. Or
 - D. Either
- 8. The thief stole a _____ of keys.
 - A. Bunch
 - B. Bundle
 - C. Group
 - D. Heap
- 9. My father goes to work _____ public transport.
 - A. By
 - B. On
 - C. In
 - D. With
- 10. The cat is running _____ a rat.
 - A. After
 - B. On
 - C. Into
 - D. Over
- 11. Chisolm is older _____ Mary.
 - A. To
 - B. Than
 - C. With
 - D. From
- 12. They could not see me because I was standing _____ my mother.
 - A. Near
 - B. Beside
 - C. Behind
 - D. With
- 13. The three girls divided the sweets _____ them.
 - A. Between
 - B. From
 - C. Among
 - D. After
- 14. John _____ to school now.
 - A. Goes
 - B. Went
 - C. Gone
 - D. Is going
- 15. If it rains, I _____ not come.
 - A. Would
 - B. Will
 - C. His
 - D. Its
- 16. A lizard missed _____ hole as it was being chased by cat.
 - A. Her
 - B. Your
 - C. His
 - D. Its
- 17. The headmaster did not turn _____ for the meeting.
 - A. On
 - B. Out
 - C. Up

D. In

QUESTION 18 – 30

In each of the following question choose the correct parts of speech A, B, C and D for of the underline words

18. Though she was sick, she came to school
A. Adverb
B. Conjunction
C. Preposition
D. Adjective
19. Ben sits behind me in class.
A. Preposition
B. adverb
C. Adjective
D. Conjunction
20. The rumor that Mr. Phiri was dead is not true
A. Adjective
B. Noun
C. Pronoun
D. Preposition
21. someone has stolen my shoes
A. noun
B. verb
C. pronoun
D. preposition
22. This book is mine
A. Adjective
B. pronoun
C. adverb
D. preposition
23. They went to cheers the sick
A. noun
B. article
C. adjective
D. preposition
24. You must go to the hospital today for check up

- A. Adjective
B. Adverb
C. Conjunction
D. Preposition
25. Alas! He is coming
A. verb
B. interjection
C. preposition
D. adjective
26. The exercise was too difficult
A. article
B. adverb
C. preposition
D. conjunction
27. Mike hurt his leg
A. conjunction
B. article
C. verb
D. adjective
28. I will air the program to night
A. verb
B. noun
C. preposition
D. pronoun
29. Did you see anyone at the party?
A. article
B. preposition
C. adverb
D. pronoun
30. They called him because he was ready.
A. article
B. adjective
C. adverb
D. conjunction

QUESTIONS 31-35

In each of the following question, choose correct question tag (A, B, C, D) for the statements.

31. We hardly speak French?
A. Don't we?
B. Do we?
C. Didn't we?
D. Hadn't we?
32. You are in standard 8.
A. Are you?
B. Isn't you?
C. Aren't you?
D. Will you?
33. He is not dancing
A. Does he?
B. Isn't he?
C. Is he?
D. Hasn't he?
34. She wrote the poem herself

- A. Did she?
- B. Wrote she?
- C. Doesn't she?
- D. Didn't she?

35. You must go

- A. Must we?
- B. Mustn't we?
- C. Should we?
- D. Will you?

QUESTION 36 – 38

In each of the questions, choose the word (A, B, C, D) that best complete the smile

36. His teeth are as _____ as snow.

- A. Lazy
- B. Think
- C. Yellow
- D. White

37. She is a _____ as snail

- A. Brown
- B. Slow

- C. Small
- D. Weak

38. It looked as huge as _____

- A. An elephant
- B. Buffalo
- C. Zebra
- D. Giraffe

QUESTION 39- 41

In each of the following questions, choose the word A, B, C or D that gives the correct meaning of the riddles.

39. Am neither a bone nor fresh, who am i?

- A. Finger nail
- B. Bone
- C. Skin
- D. Fresh

40. I have one mat yet I sleep on the floor.

- A. People
- B. Pumpkin

- C. Snail
- D. Feet

41. An old person passes here frequently.

- A. Water
- B. Wind
- C. Shadow
- D. Door

QUESTION 42 – 44

In each of the following question choose the answer (A, B, C, D) that gives the correct type of clause and its function the clause has been underlined.

42. The difficult thing is that both of us want the tickets.

- B. Adverb clause modifying "is"
- C. Adjective clause qualifying "thing"
- D. Noun clause complement of "is"

43. This is the year that promises good things.

- A. Noun clause object of "is"
- B. Adjective clause qualifying "is"
- C. Adverb clause modifying "is"

A. Noun clause object of "is"

D. Noun clause in apposition to "year"

44. Bake the cake the way I do

- A. Adverb clause modifying "bake"
- B. Noun clause object of "bake"
- C. Adjective clause qualifying "cake"
- D. Noun clause compliment of "cake"

END OF QUESTION PAPER