



KAMWENDO ZONE EXAMINATION BOARD

2023 STANDARD 8 MOCK EXAMINATION

ENGLISH

(100 marks)

Subject Number: P052

Time Allowed: 2 hrs

8:00 – 10:00 am

Wednesday,

Name of Candidate: _____

(Surname First)

Name of School: _____

Instructions:

- This paper contains 11 pages, Please check.
- Write your **Name** and **Name of the school** in the space provided above and your **Examination number** on top of each page of the question paper.
- This paper consists of 4 sections: **A,B,C** and **D**.
- You are expected to answer one question only from section **A**. Your composition should be between **100** and **150** words. You should answer all questions sections **A,B,C** and **D**.
- The first **10 minutes** are for reading the questions and choosing the question to answer in section **A**.
- Write all your answers to the questions in sections **A, B** and **C** in the spaces provided on the question paper. In section **D** encircle the letter representing the right answer to each question.
- In the table provided on this page, **tick** against the question number you have answer apart from questions **14 to 53**.
- Hand in your worked question paper to the **invigilator** when time is called to stop writing.

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SECTION A: (30 MARKS)

Answer one question from this section on the lined answer sheet provided. Write between **100** and **150** words.

EITHER

1. Imagine that there is an outbreak of cholera disease in your area. Write a letter to the District Health Officer in your district telling him or her about the development. In your letter you may include the following points.

Paragraph 1:

- Name of the area in which the outbreak occurs
- When it started
- Signs and symptoms of the disease

Paragraph 2:

- Number of people affected
- Death recorded in the area
- What people done to reduce the further spread of the virus

Paragraph 3:

- What people of the area need the District Health Officer to do
- When people need the assistance
- Why people need such help

OR

2. Write a composition about a journey you made. The title of your composition should be **“THE JOURNEY I MADE.”**

Paragraph 1:

- When the journey was made
- Where you went
- The means of transport you used

Paragraph 2:

- How you prepare for the journey
- What you took on this journey

Paragraph 3:

- When you returned from the journey
- What was interesting about the journey
- What you learnt on this journey

SECTION B: (20 MARKS)**3. Read the following passage carefully and answer the question that follow:**

In the village of Tasavana something very bad happened. A young girl called Lisie died. The cause of her death was not clearly known. Some kept their silence whereas majority said that they died of starvation.

Lisie lost both parents when she was young. Her father Mr. Sirira was the first to die. He died of malaria. Her mother died a year later and it was rumored that she had been bewitched. Lisie had no both parents and home. Mrs. Lomwe, her Aunt, volunteered to take care of her. Mr. and Mrs. Lomwe had no children of theirs. Many people said that they were the right people to keep Lisie for she would be like their daughter. On the other hand, some people doubted how good Mrs. Lomwe would be to Lisie. She was known to be tough and rough to both relations and friends.

Lisie had no choice, but to stay with the family. Days later her stay was a hard one. Every day she was made to get up before anyone else in the village. Then she usually went to bed into almost tirelessly. She slept on the bare floor with just a small piece of garment to cover herself. Nights were very cold for her. During the day she was made to work harder than any child of her age. She was not allowed to go to play with her mates. Many times she was given very little food to feed herself while her Aunt had a lot to eat. Come days, come nights she kept thinking of her living style.

Lisie wished she could go away but she was young. She had nowhere to go. She learned to live with hardships. She was getting prone every day until all the strength left her. Few days later she was pronounced dead. After her death, Lisie turned into a very powerful ghost that cautious everyone in the land of the dead.

Questions:

a. Why did the people say Mrs. Lomwe was the right person to look after Lisie?

(2 marks)

b. What did Mrs. Lomwe do to Lisie?
_____ (2 marks)

c. What did the majority say about the cause of Lisie's death
_____ (1 mark)

d. What did Lisie become after her death?
_____ (2 marks)

e. How many children did Mr. and Mrs. Lomwe have?
_____ (1 mark)

f. Find a word in the story which means:

i. Hunger in paragraph 1 _____ (1 mark)

ii. Weak in paragraph 4 _____ (1 mark)

g. Why is it not good to treat people in the manner that Mrs. Lomwe do to Lisie?
_____ (2 marks)

h. What are the meanings of the following?

i. Slept on the bare floor _____
_____ (1 mark)

ii. Hardships _____
_____ (1 mark)

i. What times did Lisie get up and to back to bed?
_____ (2 marks)

j. What two human rights did Mrs. Lomwe violated?

(2 marks)

k. What lesson have you learnt from the passage?
_____ (2 marks)

SECTION C: (10 MARKS)

Make sentences with the following words to show you understand their meanings

4. week

5. passenger

6. comprised

7. opportunity

8. beautifully

Change the following sentences from **direct** to **indirect** speech

9. **Direct:** "When can we have dinner?" she asked

Indirect: _____ (1 mark)

10. **Direct:** "I saw her a week ago," he said.

Indirect: _____ (1 mark)

11. **Direct:** Mary said, 'I am washing my dress.'

Indirect: _____ (1 mark)

12. **Direct:** "We are glad that we have come." They said.

Indirect: _____ (1 mark)

13. **Direct:** "You may not see me again" he said.

Indirect: _____ (1 mark)

Section D: (40 marks)

Question 14 – 27: In each of the following questions choose the word A, B, C and D that best complete the sentences.

- A. for
- B. at
- C. to
- D. from

14. We had been waiting for the team _____ three hours.

15. Mabvuto saw a _____ of lions on his way to school.

- A. clan
- B. pride
- C. troop
- D. flock

16. It would be better if your father _____ to see the head teacher himself.

- A. go
- B. went
- C. will go
- D. would go

17. I read about the accident _____ the newspaper.

- A. in
- B. on
- C. at
- D. from

18. There is no _____ milk in the tea.

- A. few
- B. a lot of
- C. many
- D. much

19. Mr. Banda did not _____ lunch for the family because he had no money.

- A. made
- B. making

- C. make
- D. have made

20. I was filled _____ joy after passing examinations

- A. by
- B. with
- C. to
- D. in

21. My mother asked me why I _____ the door.

- A. would lock
- B. had locked
- C. should lock
- D. have locked

22. This is the car in _____ we were travelling

- A. whom
- B. what
- C. which
- D. whose

23. We _____ to school everyday

- A. goes
- B. go
- C. going
- D. gone

24. If my mother _____ this complaint we will write.

- A. letter to our brother
- B. ignore
- C. ignores
- D. will ignore

25. Bwalijo _____ to town himself

- A. went too
- B. went to
- C. went off
- D. went out

26. They were told to run _____ the corner

- A. down
- B. near
- C. round
- D. by

27. I am sorry for getting angry _____ you yesterday

- A. about
- B. to
- C. with
- D. of

Questions 28 – 39: In each of the following questions choose the correct part of speech (A, B, C or D) for each of the underlined words.

28. He was told to book four rooms for the visitors.

- A. verb
- B. adverb
- C. noun
- D. adjective

29. All will have to come to the market.

- A. article
- B. pronoun
- C. noun
- D. adverb

30. Which road goes to the market

- A. adverb
- B. verb
- C. noun
- D. adjective

31. The patient was given medicine every two hours.

- A. verb
- B. adjective
- C. adverb
- D. preposition

32. He went there to see not only his mother but also his friends.

- A. conjunction
- B. pronoun
- C. adjective

D. adverb

33. I heard shouts and clapping of hands in the hall.

- A. Verb
- B. adverb
- C. Noun
- D. adjective

34. The girl hid the book under his table.

- A. Verb
- B. adverb
- C. Preposition
- D. conjunction

35. Oh! I had heard about that

- A. Interjection
- B. adjective
- C. Conjunction
- D. preposition

36. The beautiful houses are not theirs

- A. Article
- B. adjective
- C. Verb
- D. preposition

37. An orange taste sweeter than a lemon

- A. Adjective
- B. pronoun
- C. Article

D. noun

38. He got off the bus at the crossroads.

- A. Verb
- B. preposition
- C. Conjunction
- D. adverb

39. We water flowers every day.

- A. Adverb
- B. verb
- C. Noun
- D. pronoun

Questions 40 to 44 choose the correct question tags A, B, C or D that best completes the statement

40. She rarely visit us here at home us here at home _____?

- A. Doe she?
- B. does she?
- C. Don't she?
- D. doesn't she

41. They will come tomorrow _____?

- A. Does they
- B. will they
- C. Do they
- D. won't they

42. They've gone away for a few days, _____?
- A. Was they
 - B. hadn't they
 - C. Did they
 - D. haven't they

43. Mary isn't home today _____?
- A. Is it
 - B. is she
 - C. Is it she
 - D. isn't she

44. Tiyamike can run really fast, _____?
- A. Couldn't he
 - B. doesn't he
 - C. Can he
 - D. can't he

Question 45 and 46: In each of the following questions, choose the word (A, B, C or D) that best complete the simile.

45. The orange is as _____ as honey
- A. Tasty
 - B. nice
 - C. Good

D. sweet

46. Mary is as poor as a church _____
- A. Rat
 - B. mouse
 - C. Bat
 - D. snake

Questions 47 and 48: In each of the following questions, choose the word (A, B, C or D) that best completes the proverb.

47. Don't throw stones if you live in a _____ house.
- A. Glass
 - B. mud
 - C. Thatched
 - D. weak

48. A rolling stone gathers no _____.
- A. Water
 - B. wind
 - C. Moss
 - D. ferns

Questions 49 – 53: In each of the following questions, choose the answer (A, B, C or D) that gives the correct type of clause and its function. The clause has been underlined.

49. You must depend on what she says.
- A. Noun clause, object of preposition "on"
 - B. Adjective clause, qualifying noun "she"

- C. Noun clause, object of the verb “depend”
- D. Adverb clause, modifies the verb “must depend”

50. She was jailed though she was not guilty

- A. Noun clause, subject of the verb “was jailed”
- B. Adverb clause, modifies the verb “was jailed”
- C. Adjective clause, qualifies noun “she”
- D. Noun clause, qualifies noun “she”

51. I will give you money provided you do the work.

- A. Adverb clause, modifying verb “will give”
- B. Noun clause, modifying verb “will give”
- C. Adjective clause, qualifying “money”
- D. Noun clause, object of verb “give you”

52. The company wants to employ somebody who is hardworking

- A. Adjective clause, qualifying “company”
- B. Noun clause, subject of “wants”
- C. Adverb clause, modifying the verb “employ”
- D. Adjective clause, qualifies the pronoun “somebody”

53. Your story is similar to what we have already heard.

- A. Adjective clause, qualifying “story”
- B. Noun clause, object of preposition “to”
- C. Adverb clause, modifying “story”
- D. Noun clause, subject of “similar”

END OF QUESTION PAPER

NB: This paper contains 11 Printed pages.