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🗲 MACHINGA BOMA ZONE EXAMINATION COMMITTEE

2022/2023 END OF TERM ONE EXAMINATION FOR STANDARD 8

### ENGLISH

(100 Marks)

Date:

Time allowed:\_\_\_\_\_

Candidate Name: \_\_\_\_\_

(Surname First)
School Name: \_\_\_\_\_

#### **Instructions:**

- This paper **contains 6 pages**. Please check
- Write your name on every page of this paper.
- This paper has sections A, B, C and D
- Follow instructions for every section

#### **SECTION A: (30 Marks)**

Answer one question only from this section on the lined answer sheet.

#### EITHER

1. Imagine that the Headteachers' office at your school was damaged by strong winds. Write a report to the member of parliament of your area asking him/her for assistance.

In your report include the following points

#### Paragraph 1

- Name of school where the incident took place
- When the incident took place
- Any two friends you were with at the time of incident.

#### Paragraph 2

- What you were doing during the incident
- Any two things that were damaged by the winds at the school

#### Paragraph 3

- Any two ways in which the incident has affected activities at your school
- What people did to protect property during the incident
- Any two ways in which you want the Member of Parliament to assist the school

#### OR

- 2. Write a composition entitled "TAKING CARE OF SCHOOL BOOKS"
- In your composition include the following points

#### Paragraph 1

- Some text books found in your school
- The subject in which you need more text books
- Why you need more text books in those subjects

#### Paragraph 2

- Uses of text books
- Who is supposed to take care of text books

#### Paragraph 3

- How text books in your school get damaged
- Ways of caring for the text books
- Why it is important to take care of the text books.

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#### SECTION B: COMPREHENSION (20marks)

3. Read the following passage and answer the questions that follows:

Water is the most important need for human beings, animals and vegetables to survive. Even ancestors knew the importance of water, that is why their settlements were allocated close to springs, rivers , lake where water could easily be obtained. It is not common to find settlements away from the supply. However, sometimes settlements were established far away from water source for reasons of defence. A good example of this is when the settlements were on hills or close to mountains.

In such cases, people may dig deep wells on mode drums from where they could collect water to use at home. Modern settlements need water too. Nevertheless nowadays settlements can be made long distance from water sources. Settlements in this place get their water from sources through pipelines. Human beings require water for drinking, cooking and washing. They also need water for irrigation and also hydro-electric power. Besides this, boats and steamers travel on water providing people with some means of transport. Water also contains fish which can improve people's diet. Water has therefore, been a very important need for human beings, without it life would not be possible, for this reason all human beings should conserve water by using it carefully and planting trees.

#### QUESTIONS

a. Why is water the most important need for human beings, animals and vegetation?

	(2marks)
b. How did modern settlements get their water? (2marks)	

c. Where did ancestors build their settlements in the past? (2marks)

d. In addition to drinking, cooking and washing, mention other two uses of water. (2marks)

e. Name the habitat for fish. (2marks)

f. Why were some settlements established away from water sources in the past? (2marks)

- g. What did people use as means of transport? (2marks)
- h. How were settlements close to mountains or hills? (2marks)
- i. Give the meanings of these words:

- I. Habitat \_\_\_\_\_\_
- II. Irrigation \_\_\_\_\_
- j. Suggest the title of the passage. (2marks)

#### **SECTION C** (10 marks)

#### Change the sentences from Active to passive voices.

4. He gives the patients drugs.	(1mark)
5. The teacher will punish the learners.	(1mark)
6. They have won the match.	(1mark)
7. Febe is sweeping the rooms.	(1mark)
8. The dog killed the cat.	(1mark)

#### Make sentences using each of the following words.

#### 9. each

	(1mark)
10. accept	
	(1mark)
11.gift	
	(1mark)
12.too	
	(1mark)
13.finally	
	(1mark)

# SECTION D (40 marks) Questions 14-26: in each of the following questions choose the correct word (A, B, C or D) that best completes the sentences 14.I was delighted \_\_\_\_\_ the present you gave me A. for B. to C. with D. about 15.Everyone is aware \_\_\_\_\_ the dangers of smoking.

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A. about B. to	C. on	D. of	
16.Mr Bengo's shop is _	the	e road.	
A. behind B. at	C. near	D. on	
17.I have not seen jersey			
A. For B. from C			
18. They take a bath			
A. after B. on C.			
19. The headteacher cong			
passing the e			
A. at B. for C.			
20. The injured girl was		_ the	
hospital for treatment			
A. by B. to			
21.It was Mr Banda who	presided	the	
ceremony.			
A. over B. with	C. at	D. on	
22.As I am talking now,	John is	bed	
A. at B. on	C. in	D. into	
23.We return home	bus.		
A. with B.by		D. at	
24.If I had money, I			
A. would C. ca	-		
B. could D. w			
25.Sekani is the		VS.	
A. most tall	C. tallest	5	
A. most tall B. taller	D. tall		
26.Neither the president		e minister	
agrees to the decision			
A. and B. nor		D or	
A. and D. nor	C. with	<b>D</b> . 01	
Questions 27-36 choose	the correct	norte of	
speech.		i par 15 01	
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27. James will <u>chair</u> the r		JIIOw.	
A. Adjective	C. verb		
B. Noun	D. adverb		
28. <u>Alas!</u> This is the end.			
A. Adjective	C. verb		
B. Preposition	•		
29. I heard a shout from our neighbors' house.			
A. Noun C. adjective			
B. Verb D. conjunction			
30. The <u>little</u> boy is very excited.			
A. Conjunction	C. preposit	ion	
		D	

D. adverb B. Adjective 31.If it rains, I won't go to school. A. Preposition C. pronoun B. Conjunction D. adverb 32.Good citizens do not cut trees carelessly. A. Adverb C. adjective D. noun B. Verb 33.Gift has broken an egg. A. Verb C. noun B. Article D. adjective 34. They were told what to do. A. Pronoun C. adjective B. Adverb D. noun 35.I grow varieties of maize. A. Preposition C. adverb D. adjective B. Verb 36.She will go to Lilongwe tomorrow. A. Noun C. conjunction D. adverb B. Adjective **Questions 37-44 choose the correct question** tag 37.She liked it, \_\_\_\_\_? C. didn't she A. did she B. do she D. don't she 38. Mary is cleaning plates, \_\_\_\_\_ A. will she C. is she B. isn't she D. won't she 39.Let's start homework now, A. do we C. don't we B. shall we D. shouldn't we 40.I am not happy to see you, \_\_\_\_? A. amn't I C. am I B. aren't I D. do I 41. We should have a duty roster, \_\_\_\_? A. should we C. haven't we D. shouldn't we B. have we 42.She will not pass the examinations, ? C. is she A. will she B. won't she D. isn't she 43.Zione rarely goes to school, \_\_\_\_? A. isn't she C. is she

B. does she	D. doesn't she	C. Adjective clause, qualifying 'home'
		D. Noun clause, complement of 'go'
44.He had two bo	ooks,?	50. This is not what the doctor advised him.
A. have he	C. hadn't he	A. Adverb clause, modifying 'is'
B. haven't he	D. had he	B. Noun clause, object of 'is'
		C. Noun clause, complement of 'is not'
Questions 45-48	choose the word that best	D. Adverb clause, modifying 'is not'
completes the sir	nile	51. The teacher who teaches us English is
45.He is as	as a snail.	coming.
A. lazy	C. slow	A. Noun clause, in apposition to 'teacher'
B. small	D. weak	B. Adjective clause, qualifying noun
46.Her teeth are a	as snow.	'teacher'
A. pink	C. brown	C. Noun clause, complement of 'is'
B. yellow	D. white	D. Adverb clause, modifying 'is'
47.She runs as	as a hare.	52.I cannot depend on what you say.
A. fast	C. good	A. Noun clause, object of the verb 'cannot
B. slow	D. bad	depend'
48.He is as	as a lion.	B. Adverb clause, modifying 'depend'
A. clever C. sl	ow	C. Noun clause, object of preposition 'on'
B. brave	D. bad	D. Adverb clause, modifying 'cannot
		depend'

## Questions 49-53 choose the correct type of clause and its function.

49.<u>If you are not feeling well, go home.</u>

- A. Noun clause, subject of 'go'
- B. Adverb clause, modifying 'go'

C. Adjective clause, qualifying 'Indian'D. Noun clause, in apposition to 'Indian'

53.She speaks as if she is an Indian.

A. Noun clause, object of 'speaks'

B. Adverb clause, modifying 'speaks'

# **END OF QUESTION PAPER**