

NORTHERN EDUCATION DIVISION

2024 PRIMARY SCHOOL LEAVING CERTIFICATE MOCK EXAMINATION

ENGLISH

(100 marks)

Subject number: P052

Time Allowed: 2hrs 15 mins

08:00 – 10:15 am

Wednesday, 20th March, 2024

Name of Candidate: _____
(Surname First)

Name of School: _____ Zone: _____ District: _____

Instructions

1. This paper contains 10 pages. Please check.
2. Write your **name, school name** and **examination number** on top of each page of the question paper
3. This paper consists of 4 sections: **A, B, C** and **D**
4. You are expected to answer one question only from section **A**. Your composition should be between 100 and 150 words.
5. The first 10 minutes are for reading the questions and choosing the question to answer from section **A**.
6. Write all your answers to the questions in section **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.
7. In the table provided on this page, tick against the question number you have answered
8. Hand in your question paper to the invigilator when time is called to stop writing.

Question number	Tick Qs 1-13 if answered	Do not write in these columns	
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1. Answer **one** question only from this section on the lined answer sheet on pages 3 and 4.
Write between **100** and **150** words;

EITHER

1. Imagine that there was a sports competition between your school and a nearby school. Write a report to the Head teacher of your school telling him/her about the event.

In your report include the following points:

Paragraph 1

- where the sports competition took place
- when it took place
- number of learners who attended the sports competition

Paragraph 2

- any two organizers of the competition
- why the competition took place
- how the learners prepared for the competition

Paragraph 3

- the prize the winning school received
- any one lesson you learnt from the competition

OR

2. Imagine that there is a serious problem of shortage of text books at your school. As a head boy or head girl, you have been asked to speak to your fellow learners about it. Write a speech which will be presented during the assembly.

In your speech include the following points:

Paragraph 1

- textbooks which are in serious shortage
- time when this problem started at your school
- causes of shortage of textbooks at your school

Paragraph 2

- problems which learners are facing because of shortage of textbooks
- how the school activities are affected because of shortage of textbooks

Paragraph 3

- any **two** things that are supposed to be done to solve the problem of shortage of textbooks
- **two** pieces of advice to learners on how they should take care of textbooks

Lined writing area with horizontal ruling lines.

3. Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions that follow.

Talumba was a cheerful and bright ten-year-old girl. She had passion for reading books and was always seen with one in her hand. Talumba had a beautiful smile and curious nature that fueled her thirst for knowledge. Her parents were proud of her and encouraged her to maintain her passion for reading books.

Talumba's favourite subject in school was science. She loved conducting experiments and learning about the natural world. Her eyes lit up when she talked about her dream of becoming a scientist someday. Every weekend, she visited the local library to find new books on various Scientific topics.

Apart from her love for Science, Talumba was also an amazing artist. She spent hours with pencils and paints creating beautiful drawings and paintings. Her bedroom walls were decorated with her vibrant artwork. Talumba dreamed of having her own artwork one day in order to showcase her talent to the world.

Despite being passionate about various activities, Talumba also concentrated on her studies. She spent ample time studying and completing her school homework. She believed that education was the key to unlock her dreams and making a positive change in the society.

With support and encouragement from her parents, teachers and friends, Talumba excelled in everything. She was always the best learner in her class and was always eager to help her peers. Her hardworking spirit made her to earn numerous medals and certificates which made her to be an inspiration to her fellow learners.

Questions

a. How old was Talumba have? _____ (1 mark)

b. What passion did Talumba had? _____ (1 mark)

c. Why did Talumba like science subjects? _____ (1 mark)

d. How did Talumba spend her weekend? _____ (2 marks)

e. Where exactly did Talumba display her artwork? _____ (1 mark)

f. Name two things that Talumba used to create beautiful drawings and paintings? _____ (1mark)

_____ (1mark)

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g. What did Talumba dream of?

(1 mark)

h. Give two ways on how best you can describe Talumba?

(1 mark)

(i) _____

(ii) _____

(1 mark)

i. From whom did Talumba get support and encouragement in order to excel?

(1 mark)

j. What two things was Tambula doing during her ample time?

(1 mark)

(1 mark)

k. Find a word in

i. Paragraph 1 that means "love"

(1 mark)

ii. Paragraph 4 that means "enough"

(1 mark)

iii. Last paragraph that means "many"

(1 mark)

l. What made Talumba to earn numerous medals and certificates?

(1 mark)

m. Give a tittle for the story

(2 marks)

Section C (10 Marks)

Change the following sentences from active to passive voice

4. Active: We have fought a good fight.

Passive: _____

(1 mark)

5. Active: The farmer is making ridges in the garden.

Passive: _____

(1 mark)

6. Active: I will give the envelop to the owner.

Passive: _____

(1 mark)

7. Active: Chicken lay eggs.

Passive: _____

(1 mark)

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8. Active: Did you see Mary?

Passive: _____ (1 mark)

Make sentences using each of the following words to show that you understand its meaning

9. deserve _____ (1 mark)

10. ceremony _____ (1 mark)

11. nor _____ (1 mark)

12. fluently _____ (1 mark)

13. off _____ (1 mark)

SECTION D (40 MARKS)

Questions 14-26

In each of the following questions choose the word (A, B, C or D) that best completes the sentence.

14. We are dependent _____ our parents.

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

15. The carpenter proceeded _____ his plans.

- A. on
- B. with
- C. in
- D. over

16. Our teacher praised Naomie _____ her hardworking spirit.

- A. over
- B. on
- C. for
- D. of

17. The pupils were forbidden _____ keeping long hair.

- A. from
- B. towards
- C. against
- D. at

18. He needs to capitalize _____ her weaknesses.

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

19. We will be there _____ thirty minutes time.

- A. for
- B. in
- C. about
- D. by

20. The girl and the three boys divided the sweets _____ themselves.

- A. among
- B. between
- C. after
- D. from

21. The school committee looked _____ our case.

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- A. at
B. after
C. for
D. into
22. I saw a _____ of ship yesterday.
A. flock
B. fleet
C. herd
D. swarm
23. We _____ this test for several minutes now.
A. had been writing
B. are writing
C. have been writing
D. were writing
24. If he had called me, I _____ able to meet him.
A. will be
B. will have been
C. would have been
D. would be
25. If it rains, the village meeting _____ be cancelled.
A. could
B. would
C. will
D. might
26. She asked me if I _____ go with him.
A. can
B. could
C. may
D. should

Questions 27-39

In each of the following questions, choose the correct parts of speech (A, B C D) for each the underlined word.

27. They were told to process their passports.

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

28. He often meets him at church.

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

29. Nellas has done this sort of work before.

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

30. The nurse was requested to dress the wound.

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

31. Swimming is my hobby.

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

32. I came early yet he wrote my name.

- A. preposition
B. verb
C. conjunction
D. noun

33. Everyone likes an obedient child.

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

34. They have never visited us.

- A. verb
B. conjunction

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- C. adverb
D. adjective
35. The boy whose father came to see you has gone to London.
A. pronoun
B. adjective
C. conjunction
D. noun
36. I heard a cry of a baby last night.
A. verb
B. adjective
C. noun
D. preposition
37. After he had finished his breakfast, he went to school.
A. adverb
B. preposition
C. adjective
D. conjunction
38. She will chair the meeting.
A. verb
B. noun
C. adjective
D. conjunction
39. The man has gone to his tobacco garden.
A. noun
B. adverb
C. adjective
D. pronoun

Questions 40-44

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

40. I am good at Mathematics _____?
A. am I
B. don't I
C. do I

D. aren't I

41. Someone should come in front, _____?
A. doesn't he
B. does he
C. shouldn't he
D. should he
42. Richard rarely goes to school, _____?
A. is he
B. isn't he
C. does he
D. doesn't he
43. They ran to school this morning, _____?
A. did they
B. didn't they
C. do they
D. don't they
44. Open the window, _____?
A. shall we
B. don't we
C. will you
D. didn't we

Questions 45-46

In each of the following questions, choose the correct answer (A, B, C or D) that completes the simile.

45. She is as _____ as tortoise.
A. clever
B. blind
C. shy
D. stupid
46. His deeds are as _____ as thoughts.
A. open
B. good
C. brave
D. secret

Questions 47-48

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In each of the following questions, choose the answer (A, B, C or D) that best completes the proverb.

47. When the cat is away the mice will ____.

- A. play
- B. run
- C. escape
- D. jump

48. Barking dogs _____ bite.

- A. usually
- B. always
- C. frequently
- D. seldom

Questions 49-53

In each of the following sentences choose the answer (A, B, C, or D) that give the correct type and function of the underlined clause

49. The items that I bought yesterday were very expensive.

- A. adverb clause, modifying 'were'
- B. noun clause, in apposition to 'items'
- C. adjective clause, qualifying 'items'
- D. noun clause, subject of 'were'

50. What she does worries her parents.

- A. adverb clause modifying "worries"
- B. adjective clause qualifying "parents"

- C. noun clause, subject of "worries"
- D. noun clause in apposition to noun "parents"

51. I cannot remember where I left my car keys.

- A. adverb clause, modifying 'cannot remember'
- B. noun clause, subject of 'cannot remember'
- C. noun clause, object of 'cannot remember'
- D. noun clause, complement of 'cannot remember'

52. He called the girl so that they discuss the issue.

- A. adjective clause, qualifying 'girl'
- B. noun clause, object of 'called'
- C. adverb clause, modifying 'called'
- D. noun clause, in apposition to 'girl'

53. She is interested in what you have to say.

- A. noun clause object of "interested"
- B. noun clause object of "in"
- C. adverb clause modifying "interested"
- D. adverb clause modifying interested "in"

END OF QUESTION PAPER.