



EXAMINATION NO.: _____

THE LILONGWE CITY EXAMINATION BOARD
2024 PRIMARY SCHOOL LEAVING CERTIFICATE MOCK EXAMINATIONS

ENGLISH
(100 Marks)

Subject Number: P052
Time Allowed: 2h 15mins
8:00 – 10:15am

Date: ____ / ____ / 2024

NAME OF CANDIDATE: _____

(Surname first)

NAME OF SCHOOL: _____

INSTRUCTIONS

1. This paper consists of **4** sections. A, B, C and D
2. You are expected to answer **one** question only from section A. Your composition should be between **100** and **150** words
3. Write all your answer to the question 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

Important

- Please make sure you have written your **name** and **name of your school** on the question paper.
- Hand in your question paper to the invigilator when time is called off to stop writing

Question number	Tick question you have answered	Do not write in these columns	
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14 – 26			
27 – 39			
40 – 44			
45 – 46			
47 – 48			
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SECTION A (30MARKS)

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

EITHER

1. Imagine that an important bridge in your area has been washed away. Write a letter to your member of parliament asking for assistance to have another bridge constructed. In your letter include the following information

Paragraph 1

- Where the bridge was
- When it was washed away
- Why you think it was washed away

Paragraph 2

- Give any three reasons why the bridge was important

Paragraph 3

- Explain what is going to happen if a new bridge is not quickly constructed

OR

2. Imagine that you have been selected to a secondary school. The headteacher of your school wants you to talk to your fellow students during the assembly about the last day at primary school. Write a speech which you will make during the assembly

Paragraph 1

- Your name
- Name of your primary school
- Date you had the closing day activities

Paragraph 2

- Any two organizers at the day
- People who came to the school
- Any two activities that took place on this day

Paragraph 3

- Name of the guest of honour who addressed the learners
- Two key points in the speech from the guest of honour
- A lesson you learnt from the activities on the closing day

SECTION B (20MARKS)

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

Chipiriro had enjoyed his first term at secondary school. It was nearly the end of the term and he was looking forward to returning to his family. However, there was one problem, money for transport. He had lost all the money that his uncle had given him. Chipiriro was afraid to tell the uncle about the loss because he had been advised to keep the money safely. Therefore he thought of borrowing some money. He first tried his friends but none of them had any. Next he tried his teachers.

First of all, he went to the house of his English teacher. He felt very nervous and shy as he knocked at the door and waited for her, instead, a big fat man came out. Chipiriro was frightened of him that he said nothing. "What do you want?" The man said sharply. "I want to borrow some money," Chipiriro managed to reply. "You pupils are all the same, you borrow money but you do not pay back." Then he banged the door and disappeared into the house.

Chipiriro stayed by the door, he had not understood everything that he had been said to him. Although the fat man had sounded rude he thought that he might come back. Then a house boy came out and said, "you must go away."

Chipiriro walked away. He was hurt and angry. He didn't feel like knocking on any other door but he had to. He thought of who might help him. He decided to try the History teacher who had once given him a tablet of soap. He hoped it would not be his wife who opened the door. Luckily enough when he knocked, the History teacher came out and said, "I wish I had some money to lend you but some boys and girls have already borrowed my money. You should have come earlier." He was disappointed but decided to try one more teacher. If he failed he would abandon his attempt and try think of other ways of getting the money. This time it was the Biology teacher who gave him the money for transport. He told him to pay back the money after the holiday, Chipiriro was very grateful and thanked him

Questions

- a. What problem did Chipiriro have?

_____ 1mark

- b. Why did Chipiriro not tell his uncle that he had lost the money?

_____ 2marks

- c. How did he try to solve the problem?

_____ 2marks

- d. What happened the time Chipiriro knocked at the English teachers house?

_____ 2marks

- e. Why was Chipiriro unhappy as he left the English teachers house?

_____ 2marks

- f. Which teacher did Chipiriro think might be a kind person?

_____ 1mark
- g. According to the passage, there are two teachers who lent money to some of the pupils. Who are these teachers?

_____ 1mark
_____ 1mark
- h. Why do you think Chipiriro did not want to meet the History teachers wife?

_____ 2marks
- i. Who assisted Chipiriro in the end?
_____ 1mark
- j. When was Chipiriro going to pay back the money?

_____ 2marks
- k. Give the meaning of each of the following words used in the passage
i. Frightened (paragraph 2) _____ 1mark
ii. Abandon (paragraph 5) _____ 1mark
- l. Suggest the title of the story

_____ 2marks

SECTION C (10MARKS)

Change the following sentences from active to passive voice

4. Standard eight learners sing beautiful songs
Passive: _____
5. The boy had brought a bag.
Passive: _____
6. The girls will win the match.
Passive: _____
7. The Traditional Authority accompanied the guest of honour
Passive: _____
8. The class is writing an assessment
Passive: _____

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

9. prosperous

10. heal

11. early

12. complete

36. The book is on the table
 A. Adjective C. Pronoun
 B. Article D. Noun
37. He left before I arrived
 A. Verb C. Noun
 B. Adverb D. Conjunction
38. This dress is too big for you.
 A. Conjunction C. Adjective
 B. Adverb D. Preposition
39. Today's program is interesting
 A. Pronoun C. Adverb
 B. Noun D. Adjective

Question 40 – 44 : In each of the following questions choose the correct question tag(A, B, C or D) for the statement

40. Cheating does not pay,_____?
 A. Does it C. was it
 B. Doesn't it D. isn't it
41. Hare was in the competition _____?
 A. Isn't it C. is it
 B. Was hare D. wasn't it
42. Come here, ___?
 A. Won't you C. don't you
 B. Will you D. do you
43. You play netball _____?
 A. Didn't you C. do you
 B. Will you D. don't you
44. He rarely goes to library_____?
 A. Doesn't he C. does he
 B. Did he D. didn't he

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

45. It is as fast as a _____
 A. Car C.aeroplane
 B. Lightning D. Train
46. She is as proud as _____
 A. Tortoise C. Chameleon
 B. Mouse D. Peacock

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

47. No man is an _____
 A. Instructor C. actor
 B. Island D. assistant
48. A rolling stone gathers no_____.
 A. Algae C. moss
 B. Ferns D. mud

Question 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 had been underlined

49. Bake the cake the way I do.
 A. Adverb clause , modifies 'bake'
 B. Adjective clause qualifies ' cake'
 C. Noun clause object of 'bake'
 D. Noun clause complement of 'bake'
50. This is the place where I was born
 A. Adverb clause qualifies 'is'
 B. Noun clause object of is
 C. Noun clause in apposition to 'place'
 D. Adjective clause qualifies 'place'
51. Before you leave let me talk to him
 A. Adjective clause qualifies 'him'
 B. Adverb clause modifies 'let'
 C. Adverb clause modifies 'talk'
 D. Noun clause subject of the verb 'talk'
52. This is What I like to eat
 A. Adverb clause modifies 'is'
 B. Noun clause compliment of 'is'
 C. Adverb clause modifies 'eat'
 D. Noun clause object od 'is'
53. The news that the headteacher is on transfer shocked everyone
 A. Noun clause in apposition to 'news'
 B. Adjective clause qualifies 'news'
 C. Adverb clause modifies 'shocked'
 D. Noun clause object of 'shocked'

END OF QUESTION PAPER

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