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# NTAMBANYAMA ZONAL MOCK EXAMINATION

2024 PRIMARY SCHOOL LEAVING CERTIFICATE EXAMINATION

## ENGLISH

(100Marks)

**Subject Number : P052**

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**Time allowed : 2hr 15 Min**

08:00 - 10:15am

**Name of Candidate:** \_\_\_\_\_  
(Surname First)

**Name of School:** \_\_\_\_\_

### Instructions

- This paper contains 8 pages. Please check.**
- Write your Name and Name of your School in the Spaces provided above and Examination Number on top of each page.
- This paper is consisting of 4 sections: **A, B, C and D.**
- You are expected to answer one question in Section **A**; your composition or letter should be between 100 and 150 words.
- Answer all questions in sections **B, C and D.**
- The first 10 minutes are for reading the questions and choosing the questions to answer from 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 space provided on this page tick against the question number you have answered apart from question 14 to 53
- Hand in your worked question paper to the Invigilator when is called to stop writing

Question Number	Tick if 14-53 Answered	Do not write in these columns	
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**SECTION A; (30 marks)**

Choose any one of the following questions.

1. Imagine that you want to visit Malamulo Hospital to learn how the laboratory is used to diagnose diseases. Write a letter to the administrator, Malamulo Hospital P.O. Bo x 2, Makwasa. In your letter request permission for your class to visit the hospital. Include the following in your letter.

**Paragraph 1**

- Date and time you want to visit the institution.
- Number of people who will be in the group

**Paragraph 2**

- Purpose of the visit
- Other areas to visit at the hospital

**Paragraph 3**

- A request for a reply to your letter

**OR**

2. Imagine that your class went to the nearest market to help in cleaning it. Write a composition entitled “**general cleaning at our market**”. In your composition include the following points.

**Paragraph 1**

- Name of the market
- When your class went there
- Why your class chose the market

**Paragraph 2**

- Activities your class did at the market
- Materials you used when doing the work
- How long the work took to be completed

**Paragraph 3**

- What you advised buyers and sellers at the market to be doing to keep it clean
- Other places you will go to clean next time.



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

About eight o'clock in the evening we heard the sound of metal clashing into other metal. Our house was a five metres from the road and the moment we heard the noise we knew that an accident had happened. I got up from the dining table and rushed towards the door. "Let's go and see," I said.

"Stephen! Stephen! Stop!" My father shouted. He gave me a stern look and said, "Come back here. You can't go out alone at this hour. It's dangerous. Let's call our neighbours and go as a group. You should also collect some plastic paper bags' he said. "What are the plastic bags for?" I said.

"We have to protect ourselves if we have to assist anyone who have been injured," he responded. "With the prevalence of HIV and AIDS, it is advisable not to touch blood or fluid of other people with bare hands," he explained.

We soon arrived at the scene of the accident. It was a terrible accident. A minibus was trapped under a truck. We could hear desperate cries for help from the people in the minibus. It was very sad and pathetic. Many of us remained quiet for some minutes out of shock. "What are we doing? Let's help!" Somebody shouted from the group. We used axes, hoes and whatever tools we could get hold of to rescue the passengers. Some vehicles stopped at the scene and took the casualties to the hospital.

The traffic were called in. one passenger escaped unhurt and gave a statement. He explained that the minibus driver was drunk. He was also over speeding. At the time the accident happened he was talking on his mobile phone overtaking a lorry. The minibus swerved to the right hand side of the road and the driver lost control of the vehicle. As he tried to get back to his lane he collided with an on-coming truck that was carrying four passengers that died on the spot and others were seriously injured.

*(Adapted from: English Learners book for standard 8, pages 135 and 136)*

**Question**

a. Where was the writer when the accident happened?  
\_\_\_\_\_ (2 marks)

b. What did the writer hear around eight o'clock in the evening?  
\_\_\_\_\_ (2 marks)

c. Mention two things that caused the accident  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ (2 marks)

d. Of what use were the plastic collected  
\_\_\_\_\_ (2 marks)

e. Which two things were used to rescue the passengers?  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ (2 marks)

f. How many passengers passed away on the spot?  
\_\_\_\_\_ (2 marks)

- g. Find a word in the story that means the same as  
 (i) help (**paragraph 4**) \_\_\_\_\_ (1 mark)  
 (ii) Injured people (**paragraph 4**) \_\_\_\_\_ (1 mark)
- h. Who called the traffic police? \_\_\_\_\_ (2 mark)
- i. Suggest a title for the story \_\_\_\_\_ (2 marks)

**SECTION C: (10 MARKS)**

**Change the following sentences from active voice to passive voice**

4. Active: Mr. Phiri bought a Nissan car  
 Passive: \_\_\_\_\_ (1 mark)
5. Active: The minister will welcome the president.  
 Passive: \_\_\_\_\_ (1 mark)
6. Active: Careless cutting down of trees causes deforestation  
 Passive: \_\_\_\_\_ (1 mark)
7. Active: They are selling bags of maize.  
 Passive: \_\_\_\_\_ (1 mark)
8. Active: The cat killed the rat.  
 Passive: \_\_\_\_\_ (1 mark)

**Make sentences using the following words to show that you understand the meanings.**

9. although \_\_\_\_\_ (1 mark)
10. accompany \_\_\_\_\_ (1 mark)
11. punishment \_\_\_\_\_ (1 mark)
12. under \_\_\_\_\_ (1 mark)
13. faithfully \_\_\_\_\_ (1 mark)

**SECTION D: (40 marks)**

Answer all questions in this section by encircling the letter representing the right answer to each question.

Question 14 to 26: In each of the following questions, choose the word (**A, B, C** or **D**) that completes the sentence.

14. He. \_\_\_\_\_ to school every day.  
 A. go  
 B. goes

- C. went  
D. will go
15. Mrs. Phiri was walking \_\_\_\_\_ the road.  
A. by  
B. on  
C. in  
D. along
16. Mary is interested \_\_\_\_\_ music.  
A. at  
B. on  
C. by  
D. in
17. Oranges were shared \_\_\_\_\_ James and Mary.  
A. among  
B. between  
C. into  
D. on
18. He was unable to separate goats \_\_\_\_\_ sheep.  
A. from  
B. on  
C. with  
D. and
19. Our team was beaten \_\_\_\_\_ three goals to zero.  
A. with  
B. by  
C. down  
D. about
20. If I had money, I \_\_\_\_\_ a dictionary.  
A. would buy  
B. would have buy  
C. could buy  
D. could have buy
21. I saw a \_\_\_\_\_ of bees in a hive.  
A. crows  
B. collection  
C. swarm  
D. heap
22. Children must always be obedient \_\_\_\_\_ their parents.  
A. to  
B. at  
C. for  
D. from
23. He made it \_\_\_\_\_ his first attempt.  
A. in  
B. with  
C. on  
D. at
24. It was Mr Phiri who presided \_\_\_\_\_ the initiation ceremony.  
A. on  
B. at  
C. with  
D. over
25. He passed the examinations \_\_\_\_\_ good grades.  
A. by  
B. with  
C. on  
D. at
26. The nurse always \_\_\_\_\_ in the hospital.  
A. work  
B. works  
C. has worked  
D. had worked
- Questions 27 to 39. In each of the following questions choose the correct part of speech (**A, B, C** or **D**) for each of the underlined words.
27. Sleeping under net prevents malaria.  
A. verb  
B. adjective  
C. adverb  
D. noun
28. Though she was sick, she came to school.  
A. adverb  
B. preposition  
C. conjunction  
D. adjective
29. The harvesting season is near.  
A. adjective  
B. noun  
C. preposition  
D. verb
30. Atupele sits behind me in class.  
A. adverb  
B. preposition  
C. adjective  
D. conjunction
31. You must dress well as a learner.

- A. noun  
B. adverb  
C. conjunction  
D. verb
32. This dress is too big for my sister.  
A. conjunction  
B. adjective  
C. adverb  
D. preposition
33. This is a very interesting story I have ever read.  
A. pronoun  
B. adjective  
C. verb  
D. preposition
34. He went to cheer the sick.  
A. preposition  
B. article  
C. adjective  
D. noun
35. Oh! I have broken my leg.  
A. preposition  
B. adverb  
C. conjunction  
D. interjection
36. They will air the programme tonight.  
A. adverb  
B. adjective  
C. verb  
D. noun
37. Before she became a nurse, she was a house wife  
A. noun  
B. adjective  
C. verb  
D. adverb
38. It was a fleet of cars  
A. noun  
B. adjective  
C. verb  
D. adverb
39. A stitch in time saves nine.  
A. noun  
B. adjective  
C. pronoun  
D. verb

Questions 40 to 44: In each of the following questions, choose the correct tag (**A, B, C, or D**) for the statement.

40. Tinyade goes to school every day, \_\_\_\_\_?  
A. doesn't she  
B. does she  
C. isn't she  
D. didn't she
41. I am like a sister to her, \_\_\_\_\_?  
A. am I  
B. aren't I  
C. can I  
D. can't I
42. He rarely brushes his teeth, \_\_\_\_\_?  
A. doesn't he  
B. did he  
C. didn't he  
D. does he
43. I will never go there again, \_\_\_\_\_?  
A. will I  
B. would I  
C. wouldn't I  
D. won't I
44. Bring me a glass of water, \_\_\_\_\_?  
A. don't you  
B. will you  
C. shall we  
D. shan't I

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

45. It looked as huge as \_\_\_\_\_  
A. an elephant  
B. a buffalo  
C. a giraffe  
D. chimpanzee
46. Atipatsa runs as faster as \_\_\_\_\_.  
A. lion  
B. giraffe  
C. zebra  
D. cheetah

Questions 47 to 48: In each of the following questions, choose the words (A, B, C or D) that best complete the proverb.

47. Birds of the same \_\_\_\_\_ flock together.

- A. colour
- B. feather
- C. beaks
- D. wings

48. One man cannot fight a \_\_\_\_\_

- A. dozen
- B. unit
- C. gross
- D. set

Question 49 to 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.

49. The rumour that spread last Friday is not true.

- A. Noun clause, in apposition to “rumour”
- B. Adjective clause qualifying “rumour”
- C. Adverb clause, modifying “is not”
- D. Noun clause, subject of “is not”

50. We found the boy where he was hiding.

A. Adjective clause, qualifying “boy”

B. Noun clause, object of found.

C. Adverb clause, modifying found.

D. Noun clause in apposition to boy.

51. As we entered the hall the choir started singing.

A. Noun clause object of “started”

B. Adverb clause, modifying “started singing”

C. Adjective clause, qualifying “choir”

D. Noun clause, subject of the verb started singing.

52. This is the man I meant.

A. Noun clause object of is.

B. Adjective clause qualifying man.

C. Noun clause, complement of is.

D. Adverb clause, modifying is.

53. The suggestion that we should all write the test pleased us.

A. Adjective clause qualifying suggestion.

B. Adverb clause modifying pleased.

C. Noun clause modifying pleased.

D. Noun clause in apposition to suggestion.

**END OF QUESTION PAPER**

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