



SWANG'OMA EXAMINATION BOARD

2024 MOCK II STANDARD 8 EXAMINATIONS

ENGLISH-

100 MARKS

NAME: (Surname First) _____

SCHOOL _____ **DATE:** _____

1. This Paper contains 7 pages. Please check

2. Write your Name and Examination number on top of this question paper

3. This paper consists of 4 sections: A, B, C and D

4. The first 10 minutes are for reading the questions and choosing the questions to answer from section A.

5. Write all your answers to the question in the spaces provided in sections A, B and C. in Section D encircle the letter representing the right answer in each question.

6. In the table provided on this page, tick against the question number you have answered apart from question 14 to 53.

7. Hand in your worked question paper to the invigilator when time is called to stop writing.

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SECTION A (30 MARKS)

EITHER

1. Imagine that there is an outbreak of disease at your school. As a head boy or head girl, you have been asked to speak to your fellow learners about the outbreak. Write a speech which will be presented during the assembly. In your speech include the following points:

Paragraph 1

- Name of the outbreak diseases
- Causes of the outbreak disease
- How the outbreak disease has affected the school

Paragraph 2

- How many students have been affected by the disease
- How are you assisting the victims
- Where have you reported the issues

Paragraph 3

- What is the school doing to prevent such outbreak
- How can you advise your fellow learners and other audience about the outbreak

OR

Imagine that you have observed that at your school some learners do not take care of the text books they receive at your school. Write a composition entitled "Taking care of school books"

Paragraph 1

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

Paragraph 2

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

Paragraph 3

- How the 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

SECTION B (20 MARKS)

2. Read the following passage and answer the questions that follows.

Kondwani learned at Phimbi School. It was far from Kasungu Township. One morning, the head teacher of the school said, “there will be a National Cross-Country Championship in Kasungu next month”. Kondwani told his friends, “I want to run in the race. I want to go to Kasungu”.

Kondwani went home and met Gibo, the wise man. He told him about the race. “I want to be the fastest runner in the school,” he said. “I need some magic to help me.” The wise man gave Kondwani a necklace to wear around his neck. “It is full of magic. For you to make it stronger, get up at five o’clock every morning. Run to the big tarmac road and back before the sun rises,” the wise man advised him.

The following morning, he ran to the tarmac road. It was a long way. His legs ached. His feet had sores. He ran back to the village before the sun had risen. He repeated this for many days.

The day of the race at his school came. It was along race. His two friends ahead of him got tired and he passed them. “I have won. I am going to Kasungu.”

Kondwani went back to the wise man. “Will the magic work in Kasungu?” “Yes,” Gibo said, “Wake up at four o’clock, run to the road and back twice before the sun rises.” Although it was dark, Kondwani ran and ran. The magic grew stronger.

As the day to go to Kasungu approached, his father gave him k500 to buy food. Kondwani could not sleep. He was too excited and happy. He travelled by mini-bus to Kasungu where he met other runners. Upon arrival in the city, a stranger man welcomed them. He told them that the winners would go to Tanzania for the African Cross-Country Championship. They would fly to Tanzania the following month.

“Go to Tanzania by an aero plane I have my magic necklace, I must win”. Kondwani thought.

The following morning, he woke up early to go for a run where he came across three strange men who stood in front of him. They took away the k500 his father had given him. They also took away the necklace. Kondwani lost hope for winning.

Then the big day came. He had no magic to make his legs strong. As they started the race, a strange thing happened. He felt his legs growing stronger and stronger. He ran faster and faster. He came level with the leader. Then he passed him. He ran even faster. He saw the finishing line ahead of him and he came first. He then realized that his success was due to the frequent practice and not the necklace. It was announced that Kondwani Chimwaza would fly to Tanzania.

Questions

A. Name the school where Kondwani learned?

_____ (1mark)

B. What would make Kondwani take part in the Kasungu competition?

_____ (2marks)

C. Mention **two** things that happened when Kondwani practiced running on the first day.

- i. _____
- ii. _____ (2marks)

- D. Explain how Kondwani prepared for the competition which was to be held in Kasungu _____ (2marks)
- E. Give **one** reason why Kondwani didn't sleep as the day of the race approached _____ (2marks)
- F. What game made Kondwani have confidence that he would fly to Tanzania? _____ (2marks)
- G. How did Kondwani lose the money his father gave him? _____ (2marks)
- H. Give one factor that made Kondwani win the two competitions. _____ (2marks)
- I. Find a word in the passage that means
1. Competition (Paragraph 1) _____ (1mark)
 2. next (Paragraph 3) _____ (1 mark)
 3. victory (Paragraph 3) _____ (1 mark)
- J. Give the title of the story _____ (2marks)

SECTION C

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

1. under

2. germinated

3. television

4. although

5. slowly

Change the following sentences from direct to indirect speech.

A. **Direct:** Jane said, "I am listening to the radio."

Indirect:

B. **Direct:** "My mother fetched firewood here," David said.

Indirect:

C. **Direct:** "Where do you live?" Clara asked Maria.

Indirect:

D. **Direct:** "Open the door."

Indirect:

E. Direct: “Help me” the man shouted.

Indirect:

SECTION D

14. I am looking _____ at another event of a similar nature.

- A. up B. over C. down D. forward

15. If it rains, the village meeting ____be cancelled.

- A. would B. will
C. could D. might

16. He asked if he _____ see the class teacher.

- A. could B. can
C. will D. would

17. We would have been told id he ____ a present.

- A. send B. sent
C. has sent D. had sent

18. He usually _____ from Mary.

- A. lend B. lends
C. borrow D. borrows

19. She earns a living ____ selling mandasi.

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

20. I need another uniform because the one I have is

- A. damaged B. finished
C. spoiled D. worn out

21. The kid did not want to be reminded _____ her past.

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

22. If you don’t want to be seen, please sit _____ me.

- A. between B. at
C. behind D. among

23. _____ members of the team is fit.

- A. all B. either
C. neither D. every

24. This is the _____ event of the year.

- A. sad B. saddest
C. sadder D. more sad.

25. Edward’s hair style is diffrent _____ Atupele.

- A. with B. over
C. from D. than

26. Naliyera walked _____ the gate to meet Tiyanjane

- A. over B. into
C. across D. through

Question 27 -39 Choose the correct part of speech.

27. The hungry dog ate my chicken.

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

28. You should never write unnecessary things on the wall.

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

29. What is that gentleman’s name?

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

30. They were treated with kindness kindness.

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

31. They had to talk a long distance.

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

32. I grow local varieties of maize.

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

33. The story was not true.

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

34. This is not the first time I entered a dancing competition.

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

35. It is my sincere hope that you will arrive safely.

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

36. Three of them were punished.

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

37. I am not happy with the loss.

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

38. Singing is a good hobby.

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

39. Her story is very interesting.

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

Question 40 -44 choose the correct question tag

40. It is cold this morning, _____?

- A. is it B. isn't it
C. doesn't it D. does it

41. There was nobody in the room, _____?

- A. wasn't it B. is there
C. was there D. isn't there

42. He did not want to do the work, _____?

- A. doesn't he B. didn't he
C. does he D. did he

43. My father goes to the garden every day, _____?

- A. didn't he B. doesn't he
C. does he D. did he

44. I am writing an English test, _____?

- A. am I B. aren't I
C. don't I D. do I

Questions 45 -46

In each of the following questions choose the word A, B, C or D that best completes the smiles

45. The message is as true as _____

- A. bible B. gospel
C. music D. choir

46. Chisomo is a very talkative boy as a _____

- A. child B. teacher
C. woman D. pastor

47. East or west home is _____

- A. good B. better
C. best D. home

48. Don't cry over spilt _____

- A. milk B. life

- C. time D. food

Question 49 -53

Choose the answer that gives the correct type of clause and its function. The Clause has been underlined.

49. Hide the medicine where the child cannot find it.

- A. Adjective clause qualify 'medicine'
B. noun clause object of 'hide'
C. adverb clause modifying 'hide'
D. noun clause in apposition to medicine

50. This is the place where I saw Omega.

- A. Adverb clause modifying 'is'
B. adjective clause qualifying 'place'
C. noun clause object of 'is'
D. noun clause in apposition to place

51. The dog I saw was fierce.

- A. adjective qualify 'dog'
B. noun clause in apposition to dog
C. adverb clause modify 'is'
D. noun clause object of 'dog'

52. When they found her she was extremely happy.

- A. noun clause object of 'happy'
B. noun clause subject of 'happy'
C. adverb clause modify 'was extremely happy'
D. adjective clause qualify 'she'

53. He draws whatever he see.

- A. noun clause in apposition to 'he'
B. adverb clause modify 'draws'
C. noun clause complement of 'draw'
D. noun clause object of 'draw'

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