

# THE SIPRO MID - TERM III EXAMINATIONS 2023

SUBJECT : ENGLISH  
CLASS : PRIMARY SIX  
DURATION : 2 hours 15 minutes

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## READ THE FOLLOWING INSTRUCTIONS CAREFULLY:

1. This paper has two sections: **A** and **B**.
2. Section **A**, sub - section I has 30 questions (30 marks) Sub - section II has 20 questions (20 marks).
3. Section **B** has 5 questions (50 Marks).
4. Attempt all questions in both sections. All answers to both sections **A** and **B** must be written in the spaces provided.
5. All answers must be written in blue or black ball point pens or **ink**. Only diagrams and graph work must be done in **pencil**.
6. Unnecessary **alteration**/crossing of work will lead to loss of marks.
7. Any **handwriting** that cannot be easily read may lead to loss of marks.
8. Do not fill anything in the boxes indicated:

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**SECTION A : 50 MARKS**

**Sub - section I**

In each of the questions 1 to 5, fill the blank space with a suitable word.

1. The mechanic has skilfully \_\_\_\_\_ my motorcycle.
2. Matsiko is pointing \_\_\_\_\_ the sun.
3. My father paid for the food and the waitress gave \_\_\_\_\_ a receipt.
4. \_\_\_\_\_ umpire makes sure that players follow the rules of a game.
5. All the tables that the \_\_\_\_\_ made were beautiful.

In each of the questions 6 to 15, complete the sentence with the correct form of the word given in brackets.

6. You should wash your hands before \_\_\_\_\_ the dough. (knead)
7. Some of the \_\_\_\_\_ have asked for new aprons. (chef)
8. Alice wrote the letter all by \_\_\_\_\_. (self)
9. The \_\_\_\_\_ debater did not explain his views. (twelve)
10. The cow is \_\_\_\_\_ feeding its calf. (comfortable)
11. The mechanic should wash all the \_\_\_\_\_ clothes now. (oil)
12. Sheila's parents \_\_\_\_\_ happy to receive us last holiday. (be)
13. The hotelier is \_\_\_\_\_ than the waiters. (shabby)
14. All the guests must be given a warm \_\_\_\_\_. (receive)
15. The carpenter uses varnish in order to \_\_\_\_\_ the desks and tables. (beauty)

In each of the questions 16 and 17, rearrange the words in alphabetical order.

16. change, shopkeeper, balance, purchase

17. rust, risky, reckless, roads

In each of the questions 18 and 19, rewrite the sentence giving one word for the underlined group of words.

18. Grahams writes letters to his pen pal every year.

19. We selected a simple topic of discussion for this week's debate.



In each of the questions 20 and 21, write the plural form of the given word.

20. pigsty \_\_\_\_\_

21. dining room \_\_\_\_\_

In each of the questions 22 and 23, rewrite the sentence giving the opposite of the underlined word.

22. They won the elections because they bribed the voters.

23. Overtaking at sharp corners is safe.

In each of the questions 24 and 25, rearrange the words to form a meaningful sentence.

24. not to The gone the hospital patient has.

25. airtime loaded I have some.

In each of the questions 26 to 28, write the short form in full.

26. PO \_\_\_\_\_

27. arr. \_\_\_\_\_

28. won't \_\_\_\_\_

In each of the questions 29 and 30, use the given word in a sentence to show that you understand the difference in their meaning.

29. shut \_\_\_\_\_

30. shirt \_\_\_\_\_

### Sub - section II

In each of the questions 31 to 50, rewrite the sentence as instructed in brackets.

31. You will not be able to tighten the nuts if you don't use a spanner.  
(Rewrite the sentence using: \_\_\_\_\_ unless \_\_\_\_\_)

32. Nuwagaba is a very strong man. He can carry a motorcycle.  
(Rewrite as one sentence using: \_\_\_\_\_ such \_\_\_\_\_ that \_\_\_\_\_)

33. Musoni is not my uncle. Kabiito is not my uncle.  
(Rewrite as one sentence beginning: Neither \_\_\_\_\_)





34. If you load much airtime on your phone, you will be charged. The \_\_\_\_\_, the \_\_\_\_\_  
(Rewrite as one sentence using: The \_\_\_\_\_, the \_\_\_\_\_)
35. I was making a phone call, my mother called me.  
(Rewrite the sentence using: \_\_\_\_\_ while \_\_\_\_\_)
36. The waiter arranged the tables. He wanted to serve the customers.  
(Rewrite as one sentence using: \_\_\_\_\_ in order \_\_\_\_\_)
37. All the debaters did not face the audience.  
(Rewrite the sentence beginning: None \_\_\_\_\_)
38. "Amoding withdrew some money yesterday," said Helena.  
(Rewrite the sentence beginning: Helena said that \_\_\_\_\_)
39. Samantha is too young to climb the mango tree.  
(Rewrite the sentence using: \_\_\_\_\_ enough \_\_\_\_\_)
40. They like baking more than carpentry.  
(Rewrite the sentence using: \_\_\_\_\_ prefer \_\_\_\_\_)
41. I would like to have a cup of coffee.  
(Rewrite the sentence beginning: May I \_\_\_\_\_ please?)
42. Nantongo bought less books than pens.  
(Rewrite the sentence using: \_\_\_\_\_ more \_\_\_\_\_)
43. My father bought a pizza. It was round. It was made in India. It was tasty. (Join the sentences as one without using: 'and', 'which' or 'that')
44. It was a very easy campaign.  
(Rewrite the sentence beginning: What \_\_\_\_\_!)



45. It is not necessary for the police to torture suspects.  
(Rewrite the sentence using: ----- need not -----)
46. The tailor was very busy, but he was able to mend all my clothes.  
(Rewrite the sentence beginning: Although -----)
47. Abusing others is not good.  
(Rewrite the sentence using: ----- not good -----)
48. Rita will sweep the compound. Rita will mop the floor.  
(Join the two sentences using: ----- either ----- or -----)
49. This is my nephew's motorcycle.  
(Rewrite the sentence using: ----- belongs -----)
50. If John goes home, he will wash his shirt.  
(Rewrite the sentence using: ----- unless -----)

### SECTION B: 50 MARKS

51. Read the passage below carefully and then answer, in full sentences, the questions that follow.

Last year, our school Fortunate Junior School held a friendly debate with Busukuma Primary School. The motion of the debate was PUPILS SHOULD BE ALLOWED TO USE PHONES AT SCHOOL. We were very excited because it was the first time for us to debate with another school. Mr. Ernest Akol, the head of English department at our school gave us hints on how to collect points in a debate. This was a day before the actual day for the debate. He told us that we would win the debate if we explained our points.

On the day for the debate, the pupils from Busukuma Primary School arrived. They were smartly dressed in their blue uniform. The debate began shortly after lunch. Our school debated in favour of the motion while our guest school debated against the motion.



Kalule Edward, a pupil at Busukuma Primary School, surprised everyone when he debated in favour of the motion. He said that phones help in doing research and he wondered why schools expel pupils who bring phones to school. All his schoolmates were not happy with him. They said that he had betrayed them. In the end, our school was the winner of the debate. We had fifty-four points while our guest school had forty-six points. Mr. Cocas Malinga congratulated us and gave us a goat as a reward.

**Questions:**

(a) When was the debate held?

\_\_\_\_\_

(b) To which school does the writer go?

\_\_\_\_\_

(c) What kind of debate was it?

\_\_\_\_\_

(d) What was the motion of the debate?

\_\_\_\_\_

(e) Who is the head of English department at the writer's school?

\_\_\_\_\_

(f) Which pupil surprised everyone during the debate?

\_\_\_\_\_

(g) Why were Kalule Edward's schoolmates not happy?

\_\_\_\_\_

(h) Which school won the debate?

\_\_\_\_\_

(i) What reward was given to the writer's school?

\_\_\_\_\_

(j) Suggest a suitable title to the passage.

\_\_\_\_\_





52. The notice below was pinned to the noticeboard of Care Junior School in Wakiso District on 22/09/2023. Study it carefully and then answer, in full sentences, the questions that follow.

### ELECTIONS

This is to **notify** all the pupils of Care Junior School that there will be general campaigns on the 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> of November, 2023 for the prefectorial elections. The election of prefects will take place two days later. The contestants are warned against conducting any form of campaign after 26<sup>th</sup> November or else they will be disqualified.

Likewise, any candidate **caught** bribing voters before or during the election exercise will be suspended from school for a week. This is done so that the election exercise is free and fair to everyone.

Mr. Samuel Nsabyunva  
Chairperson Electoral Commission

#### Questions:

- What is the notice about?
- When was the notice pinned to the noticeboard?
- For which school is the notice?
- How long will the campaigns take?
- On which date will the election of prefects take place?
- What will happen to a contestant who campaigns after 26th September?
- Why is bribery condemned in the notice?
- Who wrote the above notice?
- Give another word or group of words to mean the same as the underlined words in the notice:  
(i) notify:  
(ii) caught:



53 Read the poem below carefully and then answer, in full sentences, the questions that follow.

Banks! Oh Banks!  
Loved worldwide for your services,  
Withdrawals, deposits, loans  
And international money transfers,  
How safe it is to handle money!

Banks! Oh Banks!  
You offer convenience to your customers  
With mobile money services  
Customers making transactions on phones  
Anytime anywhere, without worrying about theft.

Banks! Oh Banks!  
ATMs everywhere  
All I need is an ATM card  
I will then withdraw and deposit money  
By just pressing numbers on the machine.

Omurwon

**Questions:**

(a) What is loved worldwide for its services?

(b) Write any **two** services mentioned in the poem.

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

(c) Which services make banks convenient?

(d) Where do customers make transactions?

(e) What do customers need before using ATMs?





(f) Where are the numbers according to the poem?

(g) How many stanzas does the poem have?

(h) By whom was the above poem written?

(i) What is the poem about?

54 The sentences below are in a wrong order. Rearrange them to form a good story about pottery.

- a) The pots are the easiest to make.
- b) Ceramics are things made out of clay.
- c) Secondly, add some water in the clay and knead the mixture.
- d) Such things include cups, plates and pots.
- e) After modelling it, fire it in a kiln to harden.
- f) One can make the pots by following the steps below.
- g) You can either use it or sell it to get money.
- h) When the mixture is sticky enough, model a pot.
- i) When the pot hardens, it is now ready for use.
- j) Firstly, dig out clay soil in a valley.

10. Complete the composition below correctly by filling in the words from the table.

with	training	relatives	of	is
Carpentry	tasks	cupboards	easy	time

\_\_\_\_\_ is the activity of making and repairing wooden objects and structures. Such things include tables, chairs, bed \_\_\_\_\_ wardrobes, coffins and doors.

Making these things seems to be \_\_\_\_\_ although it is not. It requires some \_\_\_\_\_. You have to be trained \_\_\_\_\_ get these skills. Many people go to vocational institutions while others are trained by \_\_\_\_\_ or friends. After the \_\_\_\_\_ these people go ahead and make their own workshops. They need a number \_\_\_\_\_ tools like planes, hammers, saws and clamps.

They also need to make \_\_\_\_\_ and durable objects to attract customers. The more customers, the more \_\_\_\_\_ and the workshop will grow into a big one.