

# MBARARA ARCHDIOCESE

## PRE – PRIMARY LEAVING EXAMINATION 2023

### ENGLISH

Time allowed: 2 hours 15 minutes

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Candidate's Name : .....

Candidate's Signature : .....

School Name : .....

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Read the following instructions carefully:

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1. The paper has **two** sections: **A** and **B**
2. Section **A** has 50 questions (50 marks)
3. Section **B** has 5 questions (50 marks)
4. Answer **ALL** questions. All answers to both Sections A and B must be written in the spaces provided.
5. All answers must be written using a blue or black ball point pen or ink. Diagrams should be drawn in pencil.
6. Unnecessary crossing of work may 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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Qn. No	MARK	SIGN
1 – 10		
11 – 20		
21 – 30		
31 – 40		
41 – 50		
51		
52		
53		
54		
55		
TOTAL		

**SECTION A**  
**SUB-SECTION 1**

In each of the questions **1-10**, Use the correct form of the given words in the brackets to complete the sentences.

1. It was not ..... for the teacher to punish the sickly boy. (necessitate)
2. Mr. Makunu's ..... took place a week ago. (bury)
3. One of the victims died ..... after the accident. (short)
4. The careless motorist was ..... for causing the fatal accident (prison)
5. Tom has baked only ..... cakes. (square)
6. Madam Lillian has ..... all our pencils. (sharpen)
7. None of the candidates was ..... enough to catch the snake. (courage)
8. .... I had books, I would have copied the new teacher's work. (to have)
9. Kadogo is ..... than Matende. (sickly)
10. Having ..... on the man, I slept at once. (lie)

For questions **11-15**, fill the gaps with a suitable word or words.

11. .... you apologise to your class teacher, he won't forgive you.
12. With ..... did you travel to Kampala?
13. Mellissa never went on a tour ..... Owiny.
14. The lion ..... so loudly that all the hunters climbed the tree.
15. The headmistress shared the oranges equally ..... the triplets.

In each of the questions, **16** and **17**, rearrange the given words alphabetically.

16. addressee, address, addressed, addresser.
- .....

17. busy, bushy, bush, bash
- .....

In each of the questions **19 – 20**, re-arrange the given words to form meaningful sentences.

18. teachers very Our are smart.
- .....

19. my since last seen have I not mother year.
- .....

20. What need people Uganda in freedom is
- .....

In each of the questions **21** to **23**, rewrite the sentences giving one word for the underlined group of words.

21. Mr. Obel's baker's sells knives, forks, and spoons expensively.

22. That restaurant doesn't have a list of food served at meal.

23. The people who debated in favour of the motion were not happy with the chairperson's decision.

For questions 24 and 25, write the full form of the following.

24. e – mail.

25. Hosp.

For questions **26** and **27**, use the given words in a sentence to show that you know the difference in their meaning.

26. practice

27. practise

In each of the questions **28** to **30**, rewrite the sentences giving the opposite of the underlined words.

28. Muwanguzi made a very wise decision.

29. My uncle always fastens the safety belt before getting out of his car.

30. The disciplined boy rode his bike so fast and reached school safely.

In each of the questions **31-50**, rewrite as instructed in the brackets.

31. The teacher punished Okello. He had come late to school.

(Rewrite beginning: Having.....)

32. He did not pay bride price. He did not wed his fiancée. (Begin: If.....)

33. "This story is very interesting," says the teacher. (Begin: The teacher says that.....)



34. It was not good for the pupils to do their work noisily.  
(Rewrite the sentence using:.....didn't need .....)
35. It is not far from Kayunga to Mpigi. (Change the sentence to affirmative)
36. Mulindwa has not written to his friend for two years now. (End.....ago.)
37. Nakato has washed her clothes a few moments ago. (Rewrite ending.....now.)
38. I shall go to the zoo next week. (Use.....going.....)
39. Merinah did not choose anything from the box. (Rewrite .....nothing.....)
40. We finished preparing lunch at 1:00pm. The visitors arrived at 2:00pm. (Rewrite beginning: By the time.....)
41. Oscar is not a tailor. He is not a carpenter. (Join as one sentence using.....and neither.....)
42. Mukanuba rears both chicks and ducks. (Use.....besides.....)
43. None of the cakes was tasty. (Begin: Every.....)
44. It is ten years since I last went to the village. (Rewrite using .....for.....)
45. Lynn has been riding a bicycle. (Begin: A bicycle.....)
46. Peter's father is a good man. (Begin: The father.....)
47. Those men are not serious. That boy is not serious. (Begin: Neither.....)

48. John may be a farmer. He may also be a doctor. (Use.....either.....)

49. He opened the window. He wanted wind to come in. (Rewrite using.....in order that.....)

50. The customer left the restaurant as soon as she paid her bill. (Begin: No sooner.....)

### **SECTION B (50 MARKS)**

51. **Read the letter below and in full sentences, answer the questions that follow.**

Modern Primary School  
PO Box 993  
Nakasongola  
23<sup>rd</sup> January 2022

The head teacher  
Bright Secondary School  
PO Box 20  
Nakasongola

Dear Sir,

Re: **APPLICATION FOR A PLACE IN SENIOR ONE**

I am writing to apply for a place in senior one at your school. I am a Ugandan female aged thirteen.

I completed my primary seven in the above school in 2021 and scored the following marks:

English	1
Mathematics	1
SST	3
Science	1

I never did well in SST because I wasn't feeling well. I had serious stomachache. If you want to know more about me, I refer you to the head teacher of the above primary school.

I will be happy if my letter meets your kind consideration.

Yours faithfully,

**Natasha Shantal**

**NATASHA SHANTAL**

### **Questions.**

a) Who is the addressee?

b) Name the addresser.

c) When did the applicant complete primary level?

d) If one would like to know the conduct of the applicant, who should be contacted?

e) Which subject did she perform last?

f) How many aggregates did she get?

g) Which credit did she get?

h) Why didn't the candidate perform well in SST?

i) When was the above letter written?

j) What do you think is the lowest aggregate a candidate gets for a first grade?

**52. Read the poem below and in full sentences, answer the questions that follow.**

Something uncle,      Something aunt,  
They gloomily beg every smartly dressed adult.  
They put their hands ready to receive,  
As they look straight into your eyes.

Something uncle,      Something aunt,  
They humbly beg every motorist,  
They put their hands,  
Next to the mirror,  
As they watch the tyres of the vehicles.



Something uncle, Something aunt  
My family has no lunch,  
My family has no supper,  
We don't even have clothes.

Something uncle, Something aunt,  
I want to go back to school,  
But there is no school fees,  
Not even uniform.

Something uncle, Something aunt,  
In the hot sun they walk,  
In the heavy rain they run,  
In **heavy traffic** they smile.

**Nakamele Proscovia, P.7 W.**

**Questions.**

a) How many stanzas are in the above poem?

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b) Which people beg according to the poem?

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c) Whom do they beg according to the first stanza?

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d) How many things do the families of those begging need?

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e) What don't those who beg have in stanza three?

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f) In which place are those who are begging for money?

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g) Why do you think those begging for money watch the tyres of the vehicles?

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h) Why are those begging for money not at school?

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i) By whom is the above poem written?

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j) Give the opposite of the underlined words in the poem.

Heavy traffic .....

53. The following message was passed on to pupils of Iburiro Primary School during one of the school assemblies. It was said by the teacher on duty. Read it carefully and answer the questions that follow in full sentences that follow.

- ✓ Always move in groups to avoid child abuse.
- ✓ Never accept gifts from **strangers**.
- ✓ Always say no to sugar daddies and sugar mummies.
- ✓ Refuse bad touches at all times.
- ✓ Stand firm and say no to forced early marriage.
- ✓ Stay in school until you complete your studies.
- ✓ Do your responsibilities **properly**.
- ✓ Report any case of child abuse to your teachers, parents and other people in authority.

### Questions.

(a) Who received the above message?

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(b) In which school was the message delivered?

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(c) Why should pupils move in groups?

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(d) To which people should pupils always say no?

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- (e) How long should pupils stay in school?  
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- (f) How should pupils do their responsibilities?  
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- (g) Who delivered the above message?  
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- (h) To whom should pupils report any case of child abuse while at school?  
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- (i) Give a word or group of words which means the same as the given word.  
i) Strangers .....  
ii) Properly.....

**54. The sentences below are in a wrong order. Rearrange them correctly to form a suitable story.**

- After we had completed eating, the waitress brought us the bill.
  - We studied it carefully and later we both made orders.
  - While we were at the table, a waitress welcomed us and gave us a menu.
  - Two weeks ago, Daddy and I had very sweet moments for the first time.
  - My dad decided to thank me by taking me for a dinner at hotel platinum in Kayunga.
  - Finally my dad paid the bill and we went back home very happy.
  - From the parking yard, we moved towards the hotel balcony and then sat at the table.
  - The sweet moment began when I performed excellently in mock exams.
  - On reaching there, daddy parked his vehicle in the parking yard.
  - The waitress served us with delicious dishes we had ordered and really enjoyed the meal.
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55. Loyce, a P.4 girl went to Mr. Gregory's shop for shopping. What the shopkeeper said was given. Fill in what you think Loyce said.

Loyce: .....

**Mr. Gregory:** Good morning, young girl.

Loyce: .....

**Mr. Gregory:** A bar of white star soap is five thousand shillings.

Loyce: .....

**Mr. Gregory:** You have only four thousand shillings! That means I will give you the blue one.

Loyce: .....

**Mr. Gregory:** I have not increased the price at all.

Loyce: .....

**Mr. Gregory:** It's fine. If you are taking many items, I shall reduce for you by five hundred shillings.

Loyce: .....

**Mr. Gregory:** A kilogram of posho is three thousand shillings.

Loyce: .....

**Mr. Gregory:** Rice super is sold at six thousand shillings per kilo.

Loyce: .....

**Mr. Gregory:** You will pay thirteen thousand five hundred shillings only instead of fourteen thousand shillings.

Loyce: .....

**Mr. Gregory:** Yes, of course. I will pack them for you.

Loyce: .....

**Mr. Gregory:** You are welcome, young girl.

**END**