

**MORTAR EXCEL EXAMINATIONS COMMITTEE  
BEGINNING OF TERM I 2024**  
**P.7 ENGLISH LANGUAGE**  
**Time allowed: 2 hours 15 minutes**

Random No.	Personal No.

**Candidate's Name:** .....

**Candidate's Signature:** .....

**District ID NO.**

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**Read the following instructions carefully:**

1. This paper is made up of two Sections:  
A and B.
2. Section A has two sub sections:  
Sub section I has 30 questions (30 mks)  
and Sub section II has 20 questions  
(20 mks), while section B has 5 questions  
(50 mks)
3. All answers must be written using a blue or  
black ball-point pen or ink.
4. Unnecessary alteration of work may lead to  
loss of marks.
5. Any handwriting that cannot easily be read  
may lead to loss of marks.
6. Do not fill anything in the boxes indicated

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Qn No.	Marks	Examiner's No.
1 - 5		
6 - 10		
11 - 15		
16 - 20		
21 - 23		
24 - 26		
27 - 29		
30 - 32		
<b>TOTAL</b>		

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## **SECTION A (50Mks)**

### **Sub-Section I**

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

1. Every motorist ought to have a valid ..... permit.
2. Vivian did not support the motion and ..... did Joy.
3. Most pupils travel to school..... bus.
4. The dogs ..... loudly at the stranger in the compound last night.
5. We ..... bake the cake next week, shan't we?

**In each of the questions 6 to 15, use the correct form of the words in brackets to fill blank spaces.**

6. Dumba will visit his grandmother ..... this year. (two)
7. I prefer a ..... bed to a metallic one. (wood)
8. The tool box was ..... in the garage.(hide)
9. The twins cared for ..... when their mother was sick. (self)
10. The baker has bought the ingredients..... (expensive)
11. Obua was a ..... gold medallist. (Uganda)
12. A lot of ..... were found in the granary. (mouse)
13. The ..... was not around when we took our receipt. (cash)
14. My ..... is to buy a new laptop. (intend)
15. Kayongo makes the ..... furniture. (good)

**In questions 16 and 17, arrange the given words in alphabetical order.**

16. niece, nephew, defilement, marriage

- .....  
17. unhappy, disobey, unkind, dishonest

**In questions 18 and 19, re-write the sentence giving the opposite of the underlined words.**

18. Our dining table is very smooth.

- .....  
19. The proposers were smartly dressed.

**In questions 20 and 21, re-write the sentence giving the plural forms of the underlined word.**

20. The sheep is grazing.

21. We saw a notorious thief at the police station.

**In questions 22 and 23, re-arrange the words to make meaningful sentences.**

22. tape measure the seamstress lost her has.

23. tasty What cakes are these!

**For questions 24 and 25, re-write the sentences giving one word for the underlined group of words.**

24. The people attending to the debate clapped the speaker.

25. The goose was swimming with its young one.

**In questions 26-28, write the full form of the abbreviations.**

26. Mr. ....

27. Mustn't ....

28. P.T.O. ....

**Re-arrange the following words to make correct sentences.**

29. kneading The bakes is the dough.

30. birth She twins gave to.

### Sub-Section II

**In each of the questions 31 to 50, re-write the sentences as instructed in the brackets.**

31. The tool box is very heavy. I can't lift it alone.

(Re-write as one sentence using.....to.....to.....)

32. Juma talked to the cashier. He also talked to the manager.

(Join the sentence using.....both.....)

33. Both Ajuna and Mukisa will not attend my birthday party.

(Re-write the sentence beginning: Neither.....)

34. The man was jailed. The man broke into the bank.  
(Re-write as one sentence using.....who.....)
35. The waitress will give us the menu immediately we arrive.  
(Re-write the sentence beginning: As soon.....)
36. Joan prefers baking buns to baking cookies.  
(Re-write the sentence using....would rather.....)
37. If Nsereko doesn't varnish the chairs, they will not look attractive.  
(Re-write beginning: Unless.....)
38. The baker is kneading the dough.  
(Re-write the sentence using..... being .....)
39. I am a proposer, .....? (Supply a suitable question tag)
40. The traffic officer will visit our school. He wants to teach us about safety on the road. (Rewrite using....in order.....)
41. Tendo listened to the news but he couldn't remember anything.  
(Re-write the sentence beginning: Although.....)
42. The tailor sewed a shirt. The shirt was dirty.  
(Join the sentence using.... which .....)
43. If Martin completes primary seven, he will train as a carpenter.  
(Re- write beginning: If Martin completed .....)
44. My aunt will visit me. My uncle will visit me.  
(Join the sentences beginning: Either.....or.....)

45. What an honest mechanic Jjemba is! (Re-write using.....very.....)
46. My niece is very lovely. All her friends like her. (Use.....such.....that.....)
47. It was not necessary for the cyclist to buy new spokes.  
(Re-write using.....needn't have.....)
48. Zidolo has baked cakes. The cakes are tasty. The cakes are circular.  
(Join as one sentence without using and , who or commas)
49. It is wrong to write a letter without a date. (Re-write ending.....wrong.)
50. Onen is very thin. Okia is thin. (Join the sentences using... than ....)

### **SECTION B (50Mks)**

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

A dictionary is a vital reference book that gives meanings and spellings of words. A dictionary enables pupils and teachers to look up the meanings and spellings of words that seem to be difficult.

Every school library should have this book so as to simplify the learning of English language. The dictionary comprises the parts of speech.

One ought to use this book in order to improve one's skills in English such as reading, writing and speaking.

In order to write good composition, you ought to use the dictionary.

A dictionary also helps one to master the pronunciations of the words. This will help you to speak English fluently.

The dictionary also enables us to understand a lot of topics in English such as the pronouns, prepositions and abbreviations.

#### ***Questions***

- a) What is the passage about?

- b) According to the passage, what is a dictionary?  
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c) Mention any two importance of a dictionary according to the passage.  
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d) Besides reading, give one skill that can improve after using a dictionary.  
.....  
e) Where can one find a dictionary at school?  
.....  
f) Which topics does a dictionary enable us to understand?  
.....  
g) Give a word or group of words with the same meaning as the word "vital" in the passage.  
.....  
h) Why do you think one needs a dictionary in order to write a composition?  
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i) Suggest a suitable title for this passage.  
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52. **Read the police notice and answer the questions about it in full sentences.**

**PEACE AND SECURITY WORKSHOP**

**ALL SECURITY COMPANIES IN ENTEBBE ARE HEREBY  
INVITED FOR A TWO DAY WORKSHOP.**

**THEME : PEACE AND SECURITY IN ENTEBBE**

**VENUE : FLIGHT MOTEL ENTEBBE**

**DATE : 20TH AND 21ST DECEMBER**

**TIME : 9:00AM- 4:00PM**

**ENTRANCE FEE : SH. 20,000 PER COMPANY**

**NOTE: Each company should send only 5 people.**

**O.C Galabuzi Mark.**

## **Questions**

- a) What is the notice about?  
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- b) What is the theme of the workshop?  
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- c) Where is the workshop going to take place?  
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- d) When will the workshop take place?  
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- e) If Tight Security company sends only three people for the workshop, how much will it pay?  
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- f) Who wrote the notice?  
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- g) How many days will the workshop take place?  
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- h) Give another word that means the same as venue.  
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- i) At what time will the workshop start?  
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53. **The sentences below are in a wrong order. Re-write them to make a meaningful story.**

- a) What an interesting journey we had!
- b) Having packed our luggage properly, we boarded a taxi to the bus terminal.
- c) After paying the fare, we were given seats next to the bus windows.
- d) Last weekend, Aunt Ajambo invited us to her home in Busia.
- e) Along the way, we saw the beautiful sceneries till we reached our destination.
- f) We were so excited about her invitation.
- g) At the bus terminal, we were welcomed by the conductors and conductresses.
- h) Therefore, we started the preparations by packing our luggage to there.
- i) We paid our fare to them and they gave us a ticket each.
- j) They asked us to pay the fare.

- 54. Read the poem below and answer the questions that follow in full sentences.**

News papers      News papers

How great you are to us!

Providing us with daily update.

Providing us with information and news all over the world.

New Vision, Daily Monitor and Bukedde

All strive to inform us daily.

You inform us about politics, sports and education.

You expose those who abuse human rights.

Through your stories by our favourite  
Columns, editors and journalists  
You open our eyes.  
To see the “lies” of our politicians and their “empty” promises.

***Kinene Vian***

***Questions***

- a) What is the poem about?

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- b) Why do you think newspapers are great according to the poem?

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- c) What do newspapers inform us about?

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- d) Apart from columnists, name two groups of people who provide us with stories in the newspapers.

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- e) Who opens our eyes according to the poem?

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- f) How many stanzas has the poem?

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- g) What do you think does the writer mean by empty promises?

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- h) Who wrote the poem?

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- i) Which stanza talks about the “lies” of the politicians?

55. Write a letter to your friend informing him/her how you spent your holidays. Tell him the interesting places you visited during the holidays. Use your school address.
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Good Luck