

NAMAGUNGA PRIMARY BOARDING SCHOOL
MIDTERM ONE EXAMINATION, 2024
PRIMARY SEVEN - ENGLISH

Time allowed: 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**, 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 spaces provided.
5. All answers must be written using a blue or black ballpoint pen or ink but not pencil. All work done in pencil will **NOT** be marked.
6. Unnecessary alteration 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 in the boxes marked "For Examiner's Use Only"

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| QN. NO. | MARK | SIGN |
| 1 – 10 | | |
| 11 – 20 | | |
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| TOTAL | | |

SECTION A (50 MARKS)

Sub section I

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

1. All the candidates have written their answers blue ink .
2. Having reached the , Tina bought five kilogrammes of beef .
3. interesting it was to send letters through the post office !
4. In order to avoid injuries in case of an accident, the driver told us to our safety belts.
5. By will the football match be officiated ?

In questions 6 – 15, use the correct form of word given in brackets to complete the following sentences.

6. We had no sooner met our teacher than we greeted him . (Wales)
7. Of the quadruplets, Okena is the (cruel)
8. in examination is an example of malpractice. (crib)
9. If Joan the money, she would have paid school fees for her siblings . (withdraw)
10. That chef cooks than this one . (hurry)
11. All the made by the first speaker were necessary. (repeat)
12. It is important for one to wash clothes regularly. (one)
13. Immediately the of the letter received it , he was overjoyed. (address)
14. The seamstresses have been clothes since morning . (sew)

15. Most of the in the Sahara Desert have dried up. (oasis)

In questions 16 and 17 , write the short forms of the words below .

16. they would.....

17. edition

In questions 18 – 20, rewrite the following sentences giving one word for the underlined group of words.

18. John will send a pair of shoes to his sister's son .

19. Any handwriting that is impossible to read may lead to loss of marks .

20. The pupils were told to say again the word 'pronunciation' .

In questions 21 – 22, write the plural form of the words below .

21. baker's

22. her thesaurus

In questions 23 – 24, arrange the words in alphabetical order .

23. surfed , delete , deleting , surf

24. grain , grade , grams , grave

In questions 25 and 26, rearrange the given words to form correct sentences.

25. shall bake We in cakes June either or May in .
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26. the vacationers How organised were !
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For questions 27 and 28, use the words below in sentences to show that you know the difference in their meaning .

27. still
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28. steel
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In questions 29 and 30 , rewrite the sentences giving the opposite of the underlined words.

29. Tom's successor was not active enough to perform the supervisory roles in that company.
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30. Polite businessmen usually get very few customers .
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Sub section: II

In questions 31 – 50, rewrite the sentences as instructed in brackets.

31. There was almost no sugar in the mixture.
(Join using:.....hardly.....)
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32. The timekeeper rang the bell on time, but the pupils entered their classrooms late.
(Rewrite the sentence beginning: Much as.....)
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33. Pedestrians should walk on pavements.
(Rewrite using:.....ought.....)
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34. Both a referee and a linesman are important during a football match. (Rewrite using:.....as well as.....)
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35. Diana went to the post office because she wanted to post a letter. (Use:.....so that.....)
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36. why asked donny is the baby crying
(Punctuate the sentence correctly.)
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37. Does Julia expect to campaign for the post of head girl ?
(Rewrite using:.....look forward..... ?)
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38. Namanya did not withdraw money from his account because he did not go to the bank.
(Rewrite the sentence beginning: If.....)
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39. The boy's friend did not attend the anniversary celebration. He was not invited. (Join beginning: Since.....)
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40. The audience made noise though the chief whip was very strict.
(Rewrite beginning: In spite of.....)
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41. An elephant is a very big animal. A lion is a big animal.
(Join using:.....as.....as.....)
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42. My mother prefers fetching water to cooking food.
(Rewrite using:.....would rather.....)
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43. It is a long way from Kisoro to Soroti. (Rewrite using:....far....)
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44. The thief stole the jewels from her.
(Rewrite the sentence using:.....robbed.....)
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45. Our head teacher left for Kampala two minutes ago.
(Rewrite using:.....just.....)
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46. The lumberjacks started felling trees yesterday and they have not stopped. (Rewrite using:.....since.....)
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47. "I will mark the exercise tomorrow," said the teacher.
(Rewrite the sentence beginning: The teacher said that.....)
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48. Tom's friend will be flown to London.
(Rewrite beginning: A friend.....)
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49. I washed my clothes and then hung them on the washing line.
(Rewrite beginning: Having.....)
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50. That woman is a well-known actress. You met her son yesterday. (Join as one sentence using:.....whose.....)
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Section B

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

Mr Majowa was a prominent butcher in Paranga county. He used to slaughter about four huge bulls per day and distribute the beef to different butchers within the county. This kind of work required him to move from one place to another if he was to get animals to slaughter. He could also wait for weekly market days when herdsmen brought cattle for sale. On such days, Mr Majowa got chance to purchase these animals at a cheap cost. He took advantage of having very many drovers bringing their cattle for sale.

After buying the animals he wanted, Mr Majowa would ensure that he first grazed them for at least two weeks. He never lacked animals to slaughter on daily basis because he had them in stock. Buyers came from near and far to buy beef from his butchers. He made sure that the quality of beef was good. This was why he sold the beef expensively.

Being that the work of selling beef is tiring, Mr Majowa employed four more men and one woman to help him with the work. He was therefore responsible for receiving money from the customers and giving them their change. The children of these butchers were always assured of eating beef every week.

With the money Mr Majowa got from his occupation, he has been able to invest it in Agriculture and above all in education of his children. Most villagers who are his neighbours have also benefitted from him by being employed to work on his farms. When the business further expanded and he earned more money, he thought of building a meat-packing industry. From here, beef would be packed in tins and exported to the neighbouring countries. This kind of business exposed Mr Majowa to outside world. The factory has created more job chances for the youths not only in the county, but also in the district. Most people have come to believe that hard work pays.

Questions

a) Where does the butcher being talked about live?

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b) Why did the butcher buy the animals cheaply?

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c) From whom did Mr Majowa buy cattle?

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d) What shows that Mr Majowa sold good quality beef?

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e) How did the villagers benefit from Mr Majowa's business?

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f) Why do you think Mr Majowa could collect money by himself?

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g) What did the butcher do with the money he got?

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Give a word or group of words with the same meaning as the underlined group of words in the passage.

h) prominent

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i) cattle

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j) Suggest a suitable title for the story.

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52. The information below was found in the visitors' book of Matawa Primary School. Study it and answer the questions that follow in full sentences.

| Date | Name | Contact | Purpose of visit | Sign |
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| 20/1/2024 | Mwana Jona (PEO-Jinja) | PO box 720 Jinja | attending teachers' meeting | <i>Jonah</i> |
| 22/2/2024 | Sama Butter | East African Playground, Jinja | to film the play materials in place | <i>Sama butter</i> |
| 22/2/2024 | Atira Musa | 070002884 | to visit members of Wildlife Club and treat animals | <i>Atira musa</i> |
| 27/2/2024 | Mute Amina (Inspector of schools) | PO box 720 Jinja | school inspection of teachers for term one | <i>Mutmina</i> |
| 27/2/2024 | Memba Andrew | | to pay uniforms for children of Grella's | <i>Andrew</i> |
| 8/3/2024 | Rev. Augustine Pere | St. Andrews Church- Jinja | to pray for and bless the new classroom block | <i>Rev Augustine</i> |
| 10/3/2024 | Adong Mary (Chairperson SMC) | Bugembe Village | discussing issues of proposed nursery school | <i>Adong mary</i> |

Questions

- a) What does the information show?

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- b) How many months are covered in the information above?

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- c) Why did Mute Amina visit the school?

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- d) Which visitor showed his telephone number?

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e) Why would you say that the workers in the above school are religious?

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f) When were the children's uniforms paid for?

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g) Where can one find all the above information?

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h) What makes you think that this school observes rights of animals?

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i) Which two visitors came from the same place?

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j) Why has Adong Mary visited the school above?

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53. The sentences below are not in the correct order. Rewrite them in the correct order to make a good story about Weather.

 - a) This is because the condition is favourable for agricultural productivity.
 - b) Therefore, we should protect the environment so that we will not experience such harsh conditions.
 - c) Weather is the everyday condition of the atmosphere at a specific location and time.
 - d) Second, it is also during such time that farmers plant different crops on their farms.
 - e) It becomes bad when the dry season begins because it destroys crops and kills animals.
 - f) It has a greater impact on us than we are actually aware of, and serves a key component in our everyday lives.
 - g) First, during rainy seasons, people feel cold and this forces them to wear thick clothes.
 - h) This can be realised or seen in different ways.
 - i) However, weather can also be bad to people.
 - j) They do this because they want to keep their bodies warm.

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

In the small lousy countryside
Live the poor village woman
Never enjoys her life
Daily in the morning, she wakes up
Ready for hard labour;
Toiling in the farm
Till sunset

Her weapon in the hand she descends
Down the hillside to the farm to dig
With her two-month-old baby clinging to her back
She begins to till the land
Lonely as though she were in a grave

There comes time to retire home
Bundle of firewood on her head
Adding to the tool and the baby
On reaching home, she goes to the well
Drawing water in a traditional pot for cooking
Lighting fire on arrival back home.

Exhaustedly she walks home
Stumbling over stones
With damaged feet
Dressed in cotton rags
When will she rest?
God, come to her rescue!

Patina Roza

Questions

- a) Where does the woman live?

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- b) What weapon do you think is the woman carrying in the second stanza?

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- c) How many people are talked about in the poem?

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d) What causes the woman's feet to be damaged?

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e) Who is the poet according to the poem?

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f) Why do you think that the woman doesn't enjoy her life?

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g) How many stanzas are in this poem?

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h) Why does the woman light the fire?

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i) How long does the woman work in the farm?

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j) Suggest a suitable title for the poem.

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55. Suppose that you are a pupil of Makawari Primary School, PO box 222, Nagongera. Using your school address, write a letter to your friend, Mariana, inviting her to come and spend the second term holiday with you at your family's bungalow at some nearby beach. Mention that you have offered to take her in your daddy's car. You should also tell her what plans you have made for entertainment. Ask her to bring whatever she thinks will add to your enjoyment during your stay together.

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