



# BUSOGA EXAMINATION COUNCIL

PRE-PLE EXAMINATION, 2024

**ENGLISH (NAIROBI)**

Time Allowed: 2 hours 15 minutes

Index Number

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**DO NOT OPEN THIS BOOKLET UNTIL YOU ARE TOLD TO DO SO.**

**Read the following instructions carefully**

1. This paper has two Sections: A and B.
2. Section A has 40 questions (40 marks)
3. Section B has 15 questions (60 marks)
4. Answer ALL questions. All answers to both sections must be written in the spaces provided.
5. All answers must be written using blue ink. Diagrams should be drawn in pencil.
6. Unnecessary alteration of work may lead to loss of marks.
7. Any handwriting that cannot be easily read may lead to loss of marks.

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QN. NO.	MARK	SIGN
1-10		
11-20		
21-30		
31-40		
41-50		
51		
52		
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54		
55		
TOTAL		

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**SECTION A:**  
**Sub – section I.**

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

1. The \_\_\_\_\_ will repair my father's car tomorrow.
2. It was such a nice gown \_\_\_\_\_ it made the bride look very beautiful.
3. The careless driver has been charged \_\_\_\_\_ reckless driving this morning.
4. I am a hard-working pupil, \_\_\_\_\_ I?
5. We have been cleaning our classroom \_\_\_\_\_ an hour.

**For questions 6-15, use the correct form of the word given in brackets.**

6. Bintu loves her \_\_\_\_\_ sister. **(old)**
7. Our grandmother told us a very \_\_\_\_\_ story. **(excite)**
8. The head teacher advised all the pupils to mind the \_\_\_\_\_ of their school. **(clean)**
9. By \_\_\_\_\_ were you given permission to get out of the classroom?  
**(who)**
10. The hungry boy ate the food \_\_\_\_\_. **(hurry)**
11. Take all the cakes you have made to the \_\_\_\_\_ room.  
**(dine)**
12. One must do one's work \_\_\_\_\_. **(self)**
13. I \_\_\_\_\_ the fifth in the 1000-metre race yesterday. **(to be)**
14. You are fond of \_\_\_\_\_ your uniform during games. **(dirty)**
15. How many \_\_\_\_\_ do you have on your farm? **(ox)**

**For questions 16-17, use each of the given words in a sentence to show that you understand the difference in their meaning.**

16. piece: \_\_\_\_\_
17. peace: \_\_\_\_\_

***In questions 18 and 19, re-arrange the given words in alphabetical order.***

18. spanner, engine, mechanic, garage

\_\_\_\_\_

19. love, like, lamb, leak

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

20. Take the textbook to the library.

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21. Do you have any inquiry?

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***In questions 22 and 23, write the given abbreviation in full.***

22. won't: \_\_\_\_\_

23. Tel. \_\_\_\_\_

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

24. The school nurse deworms pupils three times a year.

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25. We shall find him at the place where two or more roads meet.

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***In questions 26 and 27, re-write the sentences giving the opposite of the underlined word.***

26. Did you find your nephew at home?

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27. A friend of his needs you at the counter.

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***In questions 28 and 30, re-arrange the given words to form meaningful sentences.***

28. thesaurus is a book useful What a!

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29. taught Who you bake how cakes to?

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30. letter who will she it is mark your.

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### Sub-section II:

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

31. My aunt gave birth to triplets a few days ago.

**(Rewrite the sentence using .....just.....)**

32. The carpenter is two times the age of his nephew.

**(Rewrite the sentence using .....as ..... as.....)**

33. A good farmer should feed his animals well. He should treat them

when they fall sick.**(Join the two sentences beginning: Not only.....)**

34. If you don't pay the postage fee, your letter will not be posted.

**(Rewrite the sentence using .....unless.....)**

35. The carpenter started smoothing wood at 8:00am. It is now 10:00am and he is still smoothing it.

**(Rewrite as one sentence using .....for.....)**

36. The farmer does not eat beef. The tailor does not eat beef.

**(Join the two sentences as one beginning: Neither.....nor.....)**

37. Mr. Opio has bought a very expensive car. **(Begin: What .....!)**

38. "We shall have a debate tomorrow," said the pupils.

**(Re-write the sentence beginning: The pupils said.....)**

39. Daddy went to the stationer's because he wanted to buy a diary. **(Begin: In order .....)**

40. Ronald worked hard. He earned a lot of money.

**(Re-write as one sentences beginning: The ....., the.....)**

41. Pretty likes knitting sweaters more than sewing clothes.

**(Rewrite the sentence using .....would rather.....)**

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42. The patient is very weak. He cannot stand without a stick.

**(Re-write as one sentence using: .....enough.....)**

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43. The pupils entered their classrooms the moment the timekeeper rang the bell. **(Begin: No sooner.....)**

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44. Mukulo bought a shirt from Owino Market. It was a nice shirt.  
It was made in China. It was a new shirt.

**(Re-write as one sentence without using "which", "and" or "that")**

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45. The herdsman is feeding the animals now. **(Begin: The animals.....)**

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46. You should not mistreat your brother.

**(Rewrite as one sentence using .....needn't .....)**

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47. I would like to borrow your spanner. **(Begin: May I .....)**

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48. I get a receipt every time I pay my bills.

**(Re-write the sentence using.....whenever.....)**

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49. All the pupils in our school are hard-working. **(Begin: None .....)**

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50. The article was very educative. It appeared in the New Vision newspaper yesterday. **(Join the sentences using.....which.....)**

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## SECTION B (50 MARKS)

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

Muleka's brother, Elabo was to report to his school for a new term on **4<sup>th</sup> February 2024**. His parents had both travelled to their workplaces. His father works as a chef at Hotel Triangle in Mbarara and his mother is a nurse at Koko Community Hospital in Bwende Town Council. His parents had left all the money for school fees and other school requirements with Muleka because they thought he would manage to take his brother to school, since he is old enough.

Unfortunately, when both parents left home, Muleka decided to start spending the money on only **meals**. He bought chicken for a full week, bought expensive drinks daily and spent the remaining money to buy data. Elabo and the other sister of theirs did not know where he was getting the money.

On the day of reporting, Muleka could not manage to buy even a single pen for Elabo. Elabo got disappointed and called his father to tell him what had happened. The father got disappointed too and swore never to give Muleka any responsibility at home. Elabo's father managed to get a quick loan from Isia Sacco and took the boy to school.

### Questions:

a) Whose brother was to report to school?

b) When did the new term begin?

c) Where does Elabo's father work?

d) In which town council is Koko Community Hospital found?

e) With whom was Elabo's school fees left?

f) For how long did the boys in the passage feed on chicken?

g) How did Elabo's father manage to get Elabo's school fees?

h) Why did the father think that Muleka would manage to take his brother to school?

i) Give another word to mean the same as "meals" as used in the passage.

j) Suggest a suitable title for the passage.

52. *The dialogue below is between Cathy and her grandmother. It took place when Cathy had gone to visit her during the holidays. What Cathy's grandmother said is given? Complete it with what Cathy said.*

**Grandmother:** Welcome, my granddaughter.

**Cathy** : \_\_\_\_\_

**Grandmother:** How is your brother?

Cathy : \_\_\_\_\_

**Grandmother:** That's good if he's fine. Did you pass your end of year examinations?

Cathy : \_\_\_\_\_

**Grandmother:** Wonderful! Were you the first in the whole class?

Cathy : \_\_\_\_\_

**Grandmother:** That's what I used to do also. I was always the best from Primary One to the University.

Cathy : \_\_\_\_\_

**Grandmother:** Yes, I used to defeat all my classmates.

Cathy : \_\_\_\_\_

**Grandmother:** Yeah, even your father was also a good performer in class.

Cathy : \_\_\_\_\_

**Grandmother:** That's good if you want to continue passing up to the University.

Cathy : \_\_\_\_\_

**Grandmother:** Yes, universities also have good teachers like the ones you have now.

Cathy : \_\_\_\_\_

**Grandmother :**Yes, they are called lecturers.

Cathy : \_\_\_\_\_

**Grandmother:** You are welcome, my granddaughter

53. Study the information below and use it to answer the questions that follow:

DEBATE	DEBATE	DEBATE
	P.6M	vs. P.6N
<b>Motion:</b>	Traffic Officers should Be Removed from Highways.	
<b>Proposers:</b>	P.6M	
<b>Opposers:</b>	P.6 N	
<b>Chairperson:</b>	Hon. Olara Paul.	
<b>Secretary :</b>	Hon.Nalwanga Zaujah	
<b>Timekeeper:</b>	Hon. Ninsiima Ronald.	
<b>Language critic:</b>	Hon. Nambafu Olga.	
<b>Judges :</b>	Hon. Galimaka Yusuf	
	Hon. Kyaligonza Irene	
<b>Main speakers:</b>		
<b>Proposers:</b>	<b>Opposers</b>	
Hon. Sonko Evelyn	Hon. Mutto Dan	
Hon. Omara James	Hon. Kampi Agnes	
<b>Venue:</b>	Paweri Junior School Main hall.	
<b>Date :</b>	14/01/2024	
<b>Time :</b>	2:00pm – 5:00pm	
<b>Don't miss Osoga Amos Head of Debate club.</b>		

**Questions:**

a) What is the information about?

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b) Which classes are going to compete?

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c) What will be the topic of the discussion for the above event?

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d) Who will be responsible for recording the points raised by the main speakers?

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e) Mention one person who will argue against the motion?

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f) Where will the debate take place?

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g) At what time will the debate take place?

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h) Who has written this information?

i) How long will the debate last?

j) How important will Hon. Olara Paul be during the debate?

**54. Study the menu for Classic Restaurant in Pende and use it to answer the questions that follow in full sentences:**

Menu	
Item	Price
Bread	1000/= 2 slices.
Samosas	1700/= a pair.
Milk tea	1500/= a cup
Soda	1000/= a bottle
Cold milk	.....
Fried eggs	500/= each
Liver and chips	4000/=
Chips and chicken	6000/=
Matooke and beef	3000/=
Juice	2000/= a glass
Management	

**Questions:**

a) In which restaurant is the above menu used?

b) Which item costs one thousand seven hundred shillings?

c) How many items are shown on the menu?

d) What is the most expensive item on the menu?

e) How much money will Harriet pay for three bottles of soda?

f) Mention one item that costs one thousand shillings.

g) Where is Classic Restaurant located?

h) How much is the cheapest item on the menu?

i) Which item is sold in glass according to the menu?

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j) Who wrote this menu?

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**55. Use your home address and write a letter to your parent. In your letter, thank him/her for looking after you well during the holiday. Write two activities you did while you were at home.**

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