

# THE PEARL EXAMINATIONS<sup>2024</sup>

## KAMPALA SCHOOLS PRE-MOCK SET I QUALITY ASSURANCE English Language

**TIME ALLOWED: 2 HOURS 15 MINUTES**

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

SCHOOL: \_\_\_\_\_

DISTRICT: \_\_\_\_\_ STREAM \_\_\_\_\_

Read the following instructions carefully:

1. The paper has **two** sections: **A** and **B**
2. Section **A** Sub-Section I has 30 questions (30 marks)  
and Sub-Section II has 20 questions (20 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 – 16		
17 – 26		
27 – 35		
36 – 44		
45 – 50		
51 – 52		
53		
54		
55		
TOTAL		

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## SECTION A (Sub-Section I)

**In each of the questions 1 to 5, fill the blank space with a correct word or group of words.**

1. The baby has been crying \_\_\_\_\_ milk.
2. They haven't seen each other \_\_\_\_\_ the beginning of this year.
3. Mandela is a famous leader about \_\_\_\_\_ many books have been written.
4. There isn't \_\_\_\_\_ child in the classroom.
5. If he wrote neatly, he \_\_\_\_\_ get more marks.

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

6. Before his \_\_\_\_\_, he gave a wonderful speech. (depart)
7. The headmaster's \_\_\_\_\_ was very complicated. (sign)
8. Good personal hygiene keeps \_\_\_\_\_ away. (louse)
9. Her health \_\_\_\_\_ as time went by. (bad)
10. A \_\_\_\_\_ loaded truck knocked down a bull. (heavy)
11. Having \_\_\_\_\_ his pen at home, he bought a new one from the canteen. (forget)
12. A python is not \_\_\_\_\_. (poison)
13. Otim and Asiimwe have been \_\_\_\_\_ since 1960. (marry)
14. Before that Police post was built, many highway \_\_\_\_\_ had occurred in this area. (rob)
15. \_\_\_\_\_ is as bad as stealing. (Lie)

**In questions 16 and 17, use each of the given words in a sentence to show that you know the difference in their meaning.**

16. rush \_\_\_\_\_
17. rash \_\_\_\_\_

**In each of the questions 18 to 20, re-write the given sentence, giving the plural form of the underlined word.**

18. The shepherd's sheep has destroyed our crops.  
\_\_\_\_\_
19. The Head-of-State will have a meeting here next week.  
\_\_\_\_\_
20. We have painted the chimney of our factory.  
\_\_\_\_\_

**In each of the questions 21 to 23, re-write the given sentence using a single word that has the same meaning as the underlined group of words.**

21. The young goats are grazing by the roadside.  
\_\_\_\_\_
22. If you drive with care, you can avoid accidents.  
\_\_\_\_\_

23. That boy is my mother's son.

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**In each of the questions 24 and 25, write the full form of the given abbreviations.**

24. Dr. \_\_\_\_\_ 25. TV \_\_\_\_\_

**In each of the questions 26 to 27, arrange the given words in alphabetical order.**

26. sell, send, see, seek

27. wet, wed, wear, weep

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**In each of questions 28 to 30, give the opposite form of the underlined word.**

28. The departure of the headmaster calmed every student.

29. The chairman's speech had many minor points.

30. People who speak good English should be blamed.

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### **Sub-Section II**

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

31. That is the village. Moses grew up in that village. (Join using:..... where .....)

32. Sarah is a very smart girl. (Re-write beginning: What.....!)

33. A dictionary is a big book. A Bible also is a big book. (Re-write as one sentence using: ....as....as.....)

34. What the child needs is time to play. (Re-write ending: .....the child needs.)

35. Were you bitten by the dog? (Re-write beginning: Did the.....?)

36. The bottles of soda were placed on a table with three legs. (Re-write using: .....three-legged.....)

37. The plane arrived before we left the airport. (Re-write using: .....after.....)

38. Alice enjoys playing cards. Opio enjoys playing cards. (Use:.....as well as.....)

39. John is repairing a bicycle. (Re-write ending: .....John.)  
\_\_\_\_\_
40. Jane is very weak. She cannot lift that box alone. (Join using: ....too...to)  
\_\_\_\_\_
41. There are two sections in this paper. (Re-write using: ....consists of.....)  
\_\_\_\_\_
42. You will not go for games. You played in class during the lesson. (Re-write as one sentence beginning: Whoever....)  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
43. Although the test was hard, none of the pupils failed it. (Use: ....but....)  
\_\_\_\_\_
44. The referee whistled loudly. He wanted all players to hear him. (Re-write as one sentence using: .....so that.....)  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
45. Musa missed the football match due to illness. (Re-write ending: .....ill.)  
\_\_\_\_\_
46. My mother can drive. My father also can drive. (Join beginning: Both.....)  
\_\_\_\_\_
47. A soldier has disappeared. He was here with a big gun. (Re-write as one sentence using: .....who.....)  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
48. The pupils stood up immediately the headmaster arrived. (Re-write beginning: As soon as.....)  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
49. My intention is to buy a new bag next term. (Re-write beginning: I.....)  
\_\_\_\_\_
50. The inspector will not visit our school unless he gets a vehicle. (Re-write using:.....only if....)  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

### **SECTION B**

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

When a boy wants to travel from Kampala to Mbarara, he has to choose from the two ways of doing so. He can travel by bus or take a taxi. Either of them will do because they usually arrive nearly at the same time and the amount of money he has to pay is nearly the same. Besides, the fare is only Shs. 15000/-. If he

decides to go by bus, he should make sure that he sits on one of the front seats, so that he is able to see what is ahead. The best seat in a bus is normally that one which is nearest to the driver. One is near enough to see the way the driver holds the steering wheel: how he makes the bus stop: how he starts off again: how he uses his eyes to see the road and other vehicles; and how he eats while driving. For a taxi, the best seat is the one at the back. When one sits at the back, one can listen properly to what other passengers are saying. One can also get some sleep when one feels tired.

After the first hundred kilometers, the boy should be in Masaka area. He will see the round shaped hills, big swamps and pineapple gardens. If the taxi or bus stops at a local market which is near the road, he should be able to buy something to eat. He must not however buy everything he wants. He shouldn't buy boiled maize or the sweet juice sold in bottles. He should buy either roasted maize or roasted bananas.

The road from Masaka to Mbarara is not good in most parts. The bus or taxi will be moving slowly most of the time. The young boy is likely to fall asleep. When he wakes up, he will be looking at both sides of the road. He should be able to see trees, grass, rocks, hills and valleys. He should also be able to see herds of cattle and goats. Some kilometres after the small town called Lyantonde, he is likely to see some wild animals grazing not far from the road. If he sees them, he should try to identify the various types. If he doesn't know their names, he should ask politely the passenger seated next to him. He might know what they are called. In this way the young traveller will find his journey very enjoyable and educative.

### Questions:

- a) What is the story about?  
\_\_\_\_\_
- b) How much money does the boy pay for the journey?  
\_\_\_\_\_
- c) Which is the best seat for the boy in the bus?  
\_\_\_\_\_
- d) Give one reason why he should choose the back seat in a taxi.  
\_\_\_\_\_
- e) Where should the boy be after the first hundred kilometers?  
\_\_\_\_\_
- f) Why does a bus or taxi stop at a local market?  
\_\_\_\_\_
- g) In which part of the journey is the boy likely to fall asleep?  
\_\_\_\_\_
- h) What kind of animals is the boy likely to see after Lyantonde?  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

***In questions (i) and (j) give another word or group of words with the same meaning as the words underlined in the passage.***

- i) passengers \_\_\_\_\_
- ii) fare \_\_\_\_\_

52. **Study carefully Mr. Ouma's weekly Time Table and answer in full sentences the questions that follow:**

	<b>8:00 8:40</b>	<b>8:40 9:20</b>	<b>9:20 10:00</b>	<b>10:00 10:40</b>	<b>10:40 11:00</b>	<b>11:00 11:40</b>	<b>11:40 12:20</b>	<b>12:20 1:00</b>	<b>1:00 2:00</b>
MON	P.6SST	P.6SST	P.6 ENG	P.6 ENG				P.5 AG	<b>L</b>
TUE	P.5ENG	P.5 ENG	P.6 SST	P.6 SST			P.5 ENG	P.6 AG	<b>U</b>
WED	P.6 SST	P.6 SST							<b>N</b>
THUR	P.6 ENG	P.6 ENG	P.6 ENG	P.6 ENG					<b>C</b>
FRID	P.5 SST	P.5 SST	P.5 SST						<b>H</b>
SAT	<b>EXTRA LESSONS</b>								

**KEY:**      **ENG = English**                      **AG = Agriculture**      **P.5 = Primary Five**  
                 **SST = Social Studies**              **P.6 = Primary Six**

**Questions**

- When does the first lesson of the day begin?  
\_\_\_\_\_
- How many lessons of English does Mr. Ouma teach in a week?  
\_\_\_\_\_
- How much time does Mr. Ouma spend teaching Agriculture?  
\_\_\_\_\_
- Which day of the week does he teach P.6 only?  
\_\_\_\_\_
- When does he teach Agriculture to P.6?  
\_\_\_\_\_
- What does Mr. Ouma do on Saturday?  
\_\_\_\_\_
- On which day of the week does Mr. Ouma teach the most lessons?  
\_\_\_\_\_
- Suggest a reason why you think the duration 10:40 – 11:00 a.m. is shorter than the other periods.  
\_\_\_\_\_
- How many lessons does Mr. Ouma teach in the afternoons in a week?  
\_\_\_\_\_
- On which day does Mr. Ouma have plenty of free time?  
\_\_\_\_\_

53. **The sentences are not arranged in order. Re-arrange them in order to form a story.**

- Early the next day, Opio boarded a taxi and sat close to a window.
- He dreamt that the taxi he was travelling in had overturned and he shouted on top of his voice.
- His parents arranged for a small party to bid him farewell.
- Opio was to go back to school the following day.
- As he slept, he started dreaming.

- ## GOOD STORY

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

We are young and always hopeful,  
And hope is a powerful thing  
We are young and although we're not perfect  
Atleast we try and we never give in.

b) Which people are being described as dishonest?

c) In which kind of world have the singers lived?

\_\_\_\_\_

d) Do you think the singers are happy?

\_\_\_\_\_

**e) Write the following underlined words in full.**

(i) we're \_\_\_\_\_ (ii) won't \_\_\_\_\_

f) Why are the singers always hopeful?

\_\_\_\_\_

g) Who is the writer of the above song?

\_\_\_\_\_

h) Write one sentence from the last part of the song which shows the determination of the singers.

\_\_\_\_\_

i) What do the singers consider to be powerful?

\_\_\_\_\_

55. **Use the words in the list below to complete the passage about VEHICLE REPAIR.**

When a vehicle \_\_\_\_\_ stops, the vehicle continues \_\_\_\_\_ for a short distance before it finally stops. The driver \_\_\_\_\_ wonders why. There are a few things every \_\_\_\_\_ should know.

First the tubes through which the fuel passes may be blocked; \_\_\_\_\_, the vehicle may not have enough fuel. Thirdly, the vehicle may have run out of engine \_\_\_\_\_. It is important that all engine parts are \_\_\_\_\_. If engine parts are not lubricated, they wear out \_\_\_\_\_. The electric system in the vehicle may have a problem. This can be very \_\_\_\_\_ especially when the electric wires are not well insulated, they may cause fire.

Fourthly, most vehicles need water to \_\_\_\_\_ the engines. Water is stored in a radiator. In the car engine, the radiator is found next to a fan. In case the fan stops working, the water is likely to evaporate causing excessive heat in the engine.

cool	normally	Secondly	lubricated	driver
oil	engine	running	quickly	dangerous

***Good luck***