



SUREKEY EXAMINATIONS BOARD
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ENGLISH

Time Allowed: 2 hours 15 minutes

Random NO.						Personal No.		

Candidate's Name:

Candidate's Signature:

School Name:

Read the following instruction carefully:

- Do not forget to write your **school name** on this paper.
- This paper has two sections: **A** and **B**. Section **A** has **50** questions and section **B** has **5** questions. The paper has **16 printed pages** altogether.
- Answer **all** the questions. **All** answers to both sections **A** and **B** must be written in the spaces provided.
- All answers **must** be written using a **blue** or **black** ball point pen or ink. Any work written in pencil will **not** be marked.
- Unnecessary **changes** in your work and handwriting that cannot be read easily may lead to **loss of marks**.
- Do not fill anything in the table indicated: **"FOR EXAMINERS' USE ONLY"** and boxes inside the question paper.

FOR EXAMINERS' USE ONLY		
QN.NO.	MARKS	EXR'S NO.
1 - 10		
11 - 20		
21 - 30		
31 - 40		
41 - 50		
51		
52		
53		
54		
55		
TOTAL		

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SECTION A: 50 MARKS

Questions 1 to 50 carry one mark each

Subsection I

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

1. An auntmine is married to a British national.
2. From which.....did you buy beef today?
3. Mr.Muwombefu knits sweatersscarves very well.
4. The widow for.....we built a pit latrine thanked us very much.
5. Firstyour hands before eating that fruit.

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

6. The more serious candidates become, thegrades they get. (good)
7. I look forward toto my pen pal soon. (reply)
8. Farouk drove his car away after he had.....the mechanic. (pay)
9. Harriet is one of theof our school magazine. (edit)
10. NEMA has arrested some people forin wetlands. (dig)
11. A careless cyclist was..... injured in an accident near our school. (severe)
12. The President has alwaysUgandans to avoid corruption. (courage)

- For questions 16 and 17, rearrange the given words in **alphabetical order**.

17. cruelly , cross , crush , crow

18. Joan had to fasten the seat belt before alighting from the taxi.

19. A bull is a very useful animal.

For questions **20** and **21**, use each of the given words in a sentence to show that you know the **difference in their meaning**.

20. waste

21. waist

In each of the questions 22 and 23, give the **plural form** of each of the given words.

22. spoonful

23. leaf

In questions 24 and 25, arrange the words correctly to make a **correct sentence**.

24. I your, please May borrow pen?
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25. and like very You football I much.
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In each of the questions 26 and 27, write the **full forms** of the given **short forms**.

26. shan't

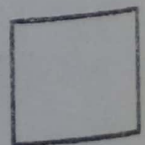
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For questions 28 to 30, rewrite the sentence giving **one word** for the underlined **group of words**.

28. Zigiti prefers moving his body in water to singing.
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29. The lights that show that a driver wants to turn on my car are faulty.
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30. We must listen with attention to our teachers.
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Subsection II

For each of the questions 31 to 50, rewrite the sentence as instructed in brackets.

31. The poacher was arrested. The kidnapper was arrested.
(Rewrite the sentence using:both.....)

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32. Okiror is not my stepbrother. Ssemenda is not my stepbrother.
(Rewrite the sentence beginning: Neither)

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33. Our baby likes eating millet porridge more than drinking milk.
(Rewrite the sentence using:would rather.....)

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34. Candidates must read hard, otherwise, they will not get good marks.
(Rewrite the sentence using:or else)

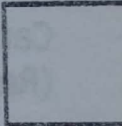
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35. Your half-sister isn't old enough to get married.
(Rewrite the sentence using:too.....to.....)

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36. From whom did you borrow a ruler?
(Rewrite the sentence using:lent.....)

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37. Herders should not mistreat animals.
(Rewrite the sentence using:not necessary.....)
.....
38. What honest waitresses Bweya Hotel has!
(Rewrite the sentence ending:honest waitresses.)
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39. Mpatu did not succeed in life because he didn't listen to his parents' advice . (Rewrite the sentence beginning : If Mpatu)
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40. There is very little water in the tank.
(Rewrite the sentence using:any.....)
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.....
41. We expect to get many distinctions in this paper.
(Rewrite the sentence using:look forward.....) 
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42. Your uncle may send a success card to you, mayn't he?
(Rewrite the sentence beginning: Your uncle may not)
.....
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43. ' Why do you want to get married to a lazy man?' Orombi asked his sister.
(Rewrite the sentence using:wanted to know.....)
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44. Uganda is very beautiful. It is one of the land locked countries in Africa.
(Rewrite as ~~one~~ sentence using:which.....)

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45. Fatiha's father does not eat beef yet he is a butcher.
(Rewrite the sentence beginning: Despite being:)

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46. A thimble is used for protecting fingers when sewing.
(Provide the question for the given response.)

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47. We learnt about an insect. The insect had two wings.
(Rewrite the sentence using:a two.....)

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48. Do all those tourists come from Congo?
(Rewrite the sentence begin: Are alltourists?)

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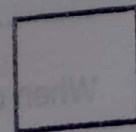
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49. My father is an environmentalist. Elias Lahan is an environmentalist.
(Rewrite the sentence using:and so.....)

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50. Michelle went to the Post Office. She wanted to buy postage stamps.
(Rewrite the sentence using:so as.....)

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Turn Over

SECTION B: 50 MARKS

Questions 51 to 55 carry ten marks each.

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

Bwikya Primary School
P O Box 987
Hoima

September 25, 2024

Dear Mum,

It's two weeks since I reported to school. I hope that you are doing well. I am now settling and getting used to my new classmates. Miss Mbatudde Mellisa is such a friendly class teacher that she has made me to feel at home.

Mum, I am writing to inform you that Stella has begun misbehaving. I saw a letter she received from Edgar, that boy in Mr. Kalanzi's home. I tried to ask her why she should have a boyfriend at her age but she abused me. I forcefully advised her against it even if she got annoyed with me. I suggest that you talk to Mr. Kalanzi to warn his nephew against misleading my sister.

On the other hand, our teachers are preparing us for the forthcoming Primary Leaving Examination. I promise you that I am trying my best to improve so that I can get a good first grade. Regards to my lovely dad and baby Jonathan.

Your affectionate daughter,
Cindy

- (a) In which class is Cindy?

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- (b) When did Cindy report to school?

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(c) Why has Cindy quickly settled in her new school?

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(d) What does Edgar call Mr.Kalanzi?

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(e) Who is Miss Mbatudde Mellisa?

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(f) What shows that Cindy is a responsible child?

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(g) On which day was the letter written?

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(h) Which examination is Cindy's class preparing for?

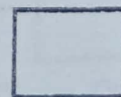
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(i) Give another **word** or **group of words** with the same meaning as the underlined words in the letter.

(j) two weeks

(ii) tried



52. The primary seven pupils of Nsambya Primary School visited the City Environment Officer of Kampala. This was on Tuesday 24 June 2023. They wanted to study about the causes of environmental degradation in the city. What they recorded is shown on the table below. Study it carefully and then answer, **in full sentences**, the questions that follow.

	Cause of degradation	Affected parts of the environment			
		Water source	Air	Wetland	Farm land
a	Pollution	✓	✓	✓	X
b	Bush burning	X	✓	X	✓
c	Plastic materials	✓	X	✓	✓
d	Overgrazing	✓	X	X	✓
e	Soil erosion	X	X	X	✓
F	deforestation	-	-	-	-

KEY

- ✓ ----- affected by
 X ----- not affected by
 - no information gathered.

- (a) Who wrote the above information?

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- (b) Where did they get the information?

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- (c) What is the information about?

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(d) In how many ways is the environment degraded?

.....

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(e) Write down the most degraded part of the environment.

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(f) According to the table, which is the least dangerous cause of environmental degradation?

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(g) Why do you think the pupils didn't write anything about deforestation?

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(h) Which parts of the environment are affected by two causes of degradation?

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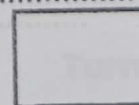
(i) How many causes of degradation is the environment in the city affected?

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(j) Name the cause of degradation that does not affect land.

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

It is indeed good!
Having a lovely time with them
The relatives you're attached to
By blood, not just by friendship
Everyone must know their own.

It's indeed fun!
My brothers and sisters there with me.
'John, come we play together' they say
One time skipping ropes, another, dodgeball
Mummy and Daddy under a mango tree, smiling.

It is indeed all happiness!
The time our cousins come around
With Uncle Twala and Aunt Joy
Chickens sentenced to death that time
For us we care less, enjoyment, our target

Fellow children, listen to me!
Knowing our relatives, we must
Is there any you've not met?
Ask your parents to take you there
For our relatives, we must know them.

- (a) What is indeed good?

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- (b) Who must everyone know?

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- (c) With whom does the writer play together?

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(d) How many games do they play?

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(e) According to the poem, where are the writer's parents?

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(f) When is the writer always happy?

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(g) What do you think happens to the chickens?

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(h) Who wrote this poem?

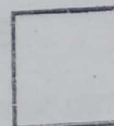
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Give **one word** or **group of words** with the same meaning as the underlined of words in the poem.

(i) brothers and sisters

(j) Suggest a suitable title for the poem above.

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54. Two friends, Emma and Ben, who sat PLE a few years ago, met one afternoon. Below is the conversation they had. What Emma said was given. Write what you think Ben said in the spaces provided.

Emma: You are Ben, aren't you?

Ben :

Emma: Good afternoon to you. Where did you go after your PLE?

Ben :

Emma: Makerere College School! Are you still there?

Ben :

Emma: In which class are you?

Ben :

Emma : Oh! I see. Senior three is the class I am in too. How is your young sister, Grace?

Ben :

Emma : She passed on three weeks ago! I am ashamed! What caused her death?

Ben :

Emma : She was trying to carry out abortion! Our teacher used to warn us against involving ourselves in early sex. How about Linda?

Ben :

Emma: She's with you at the same school ! Is she well-mannered?

Ben :

Emma : That is very good then. Man, we should be careful with our lives but our sisters should be more careful.

Ben :

Emma : That is good if you agree with me. Thanks for your time, Ben.

Ben :



55. Angubo Jackson sat PLE last from Success Junior School, Rwampara District. He wrote an application letter to the Human Resource Manager of Yummy Restaurant in Mitooma, applying for the job of a delivery boy. Complete the letter below by filling in the missing words correctly.

Success Junior School
P. O. Box 24

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14th November 2023

The
Yummy Restaurant
P. O. Box 111
Mitooma

Dear Sir,

Re: **FOR THE JOB OF A DELIVERY BOY**

I humbly write to your office applying for the job of a delivery boy in your restaurant.

I am a Ugandan aged 12, I completed my Primary Leaving Examinations last.....

I have made this because I shall be free in my vacation. I want to be busy during this time so that I can raise some money for shopping as I join next year. I am a hardworking boy and dedicated to any task assigned to me.

For more information, I refer you to the following

Mr Lugenwa Amos
Head teacher –Success Junior School
0779414122

Ms. Wanyoto Lydia
Deputy Academics
0703112244

I shall be very.....if my application is given your utmost and parental consideration.

Yours.....,

Angubo Jackson

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