

**MORTAR EXCEL EXAMINATIONS COMMITTEE**  
**BEGINNING OF TERM I 2024**  
**P.7 SOCIAL STUDIES & R.E**  
**Time allowed: 2 hours 15 minutes**

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

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

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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 10 questions (10mks) and  
Section B has 15 questions (60mks)
3. All answers must be written using a blue or  
black ball-point pen or ink but only diagrams  
must be drawn in pencil.
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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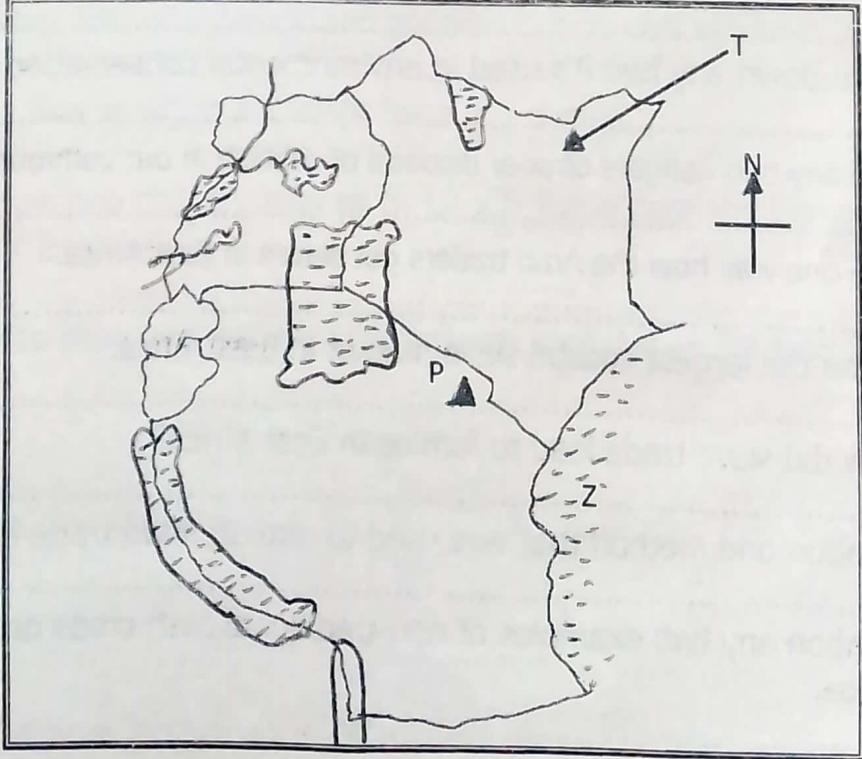
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### **SECTION A (40Mks)**

1. Of what importance is a key to a map reader?  
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2. How can farming be made possible in the drier areas of East Africa?  
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3. Why is greeting of people an important practice in homes?  
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4. In which way are prefects important in a school setting?  
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5. Write down one factor that made it possible for the Bantu to form kingdoms.  
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6. In which way do citizens support the provision of better social services in East Africa?  
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7. Suggest any one good way of using land in East Africa.  
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8. Why were political parties formed in Uganda in the early 1950's?  
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9. Mention the newest member of the East African Community.  
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10. How are newspapers important in the promotion of trade?  
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11. Mention any one traditional method of preserving fish.  
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12. It is 5:00pm at GMT. What time is it at a place which is 45°E of the Greenwich Meridian?  
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13. Why was Africa referred to as a dark continent by the Europeans?  
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14. What title is given to the political head of a district?  
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15. Suggest any one reason why people migrate from villages to towns.  
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16. Name the winds responsible for bringing rainfall in East Africa.  
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17. How are the Karimojong of Uganda similar to the Turkana of Kenya in their way of life?  
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18. In which way do agro-based industries benefit from farmers?  
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19. Define the term "National Constitution".  
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- b) Why did Chancellor Otto Von Bismarck organise the Berlin Conference of 1884?  
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- c) Name any European country that attended the Berlin conference of 1884.  
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- 42a) Give one reason why it is important for countries in East Africa to hold free and fair elections.  
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- b) Write down any two circumstances that can lead to holding of a by-election.  
i) .....  
ii) .....
- c) Mention any one problem faced by the Electoral Commission in its work in Uganda.  
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- 43a) State any one cause of the MAU MAU rebellion in Kenya.  
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- b) Who was the political leader of the MAU MAU rebellion in Kenya?  
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- c) Give any one reason why MAU MAU rebellion took long to end?  
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- d) Mention any negative effect of the MAU MAU rebellion to the Kenyans.  
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44. **Study the sketch map of East Africa and answer questions about it.**
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- a) Name the peak labelled P.  
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- b) Which ethnic group entered East Africa through route T?  
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- c) Why is the shaded region unsuitable for cattle keeping?  
.....
- d) Identify the water mass labelled Z.  
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**45. Match the following correctly.**

**A**

- a) Town Clerk  
b) Permanent Secretary  
c) Chief Administrative Officer  
d) Resident District Commissioner

**B**

- Heads civil servants in a district  
Central Government representative  
Heads civil servants in a municipality  
Heads civil servants in a ministry

- a) Town Clerk .....  
b) Permanent Secretary .....  
c) Chief Administrative Officer .....  
d) Resident District Commissioner .....

46a) Write U.R.A in full.  
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b) Give any two duties played by U.R.A in Uganda.  
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i) .....  
c) Write down one challenge faced by U.R.A in Uganda.  
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47a) Write down any two R's used in environmental conservation.  
i) ..... ii) .....

b) Give any two dangers of poor disposal of rubbish in our community.  
i) ..... ii) .....

48a) Give one way how the Arab traders got slaves in East Africa.  
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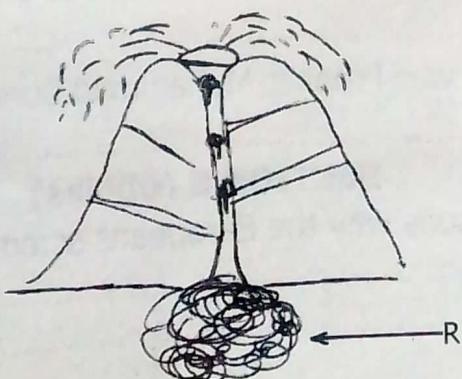
b) Name the largest coastal slave market in East Africa.  
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c) How did slave trade lead to famine in East Africa?  
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d) Mention one method that was used to abolish slave trade in East Africa.  
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49a) Mention any two examples of non-traditional cash crops grown in East Africa.  
i) ..... ii) .....

20. How did the British solve the problem of shortage of labour during the construction of the Uganda railway?
- .....
21. Write down one reason why some people in East Africa fail to get their basic needs.
- .....
22. Mention any one group of people who benefit from the service of UWESO.
- .....
23. Apart from helping in the formation of rainfall, how else do trees control the effect of global warming?
- .....
24. Give any one economic benefit of stone age sites in East Africa.
- .....
25. Which mineral is used in the manufacture of glasses in East Africa?
- .....
26. Give one way how the governments of East Africa can fight against poverty among their citizens.
- .....
27. Why does Uganda use English as her official language?
- .....
28. Give a reason why Air transport is suitable for transporting perishable goods for long distance?
- .....
29. Under what arm of a democratic government do civil servants belong?
- .....
30. Give one way in which rift valley lakes are similar.
- .....
31. Write down one challenge faced by people living near the Equatorial rain forests of East Africa.
- .....
32. **Study the diagram below and answer questions 32 and 33 about it.**



What name is given to the substance labelled R?

- .....
33. Why is it unsafe for one to live along the slopes of the above mountain in the diagram?
- .....
34. Give any one cause of the increased child abuse in our society today.
- .....
35. Suggest one reason why the government of Uganda has installed CCTV cameras on most roads in towns.
- .....

**For each of the questions 36 to 40, answer EITHER the Christian OR Islamic questions. No mark shall be awarded to a candidate who attempts both alternatives in a particular number.**

36. **Either:** Write down the first commandment among the ten commandments.
- .....

**Or:** Write down the first pillar of Islam.

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37. **Either:** How was Angel Gabriel important to Virgin Mary?
- .....

**Or:** In which way was Angel Jibril important to Prophet Muhammad?

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38. **Either:** Give one way how God punished Cain for killing his brother.
- .....

**Or:** How did Allah punish Qabil for killing his brother?

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39. **Either:** Mention any one symbol of a Christian family.
- .....

**Or:** Write down any one symbol of a Muslim family.

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40. **Either:** From which town did Jesus Christ grow up?
- .....

**Or:** From which town was Prophet Muhammad buried?

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### **SECTION B (60Mks)**

- 41a) Give any two reasons why the Europeans scrambled for East Africa.

- i) .....
- ii) .....

- b) Give two reasons why people in East Africa are encouraged to grow non-traditional cash crops.
- i) ....
- ii) ....
- 50a) Which Portuguese explorer is associated with the discovery of the sea route to India?  
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- b) Why were the Portuguese interested in finding the sea route to India?  
.....
- c) Give one factor that enabled the Portuguese explorers succeed in conquering the East African Coast.  
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- d) Write one factor that led to the decline of the Portuguese rule along the East African Coast.  
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**For each of the questions 51 to 55, answer EITHER the Christian OR Islamic questions. No mark shall be awarded to a candidate who attempts both alternatives in a particular number.**

51. **Either:**a) Name the grandfather of believers according to Christian teachings.  
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- b) Give two ways how the grandfather of believers showed great faith in God.  
i) ....  
ii) ....
- c) Write down one lesson learnt from the story of the grandfather of believers.  
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- Or:**a) Which Prophet in Islam is regarded as the grandfather of believers?  
.....
- b) Give two ways how the above Prophet in (a) showed great faith in Allah.  
i) ....  
ii) ....
- c) Write down one lesson learnt from the story of the above Prophet in (a).  
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52. **Either:**a) On which day did the Apostles of Jesus Christ receive the Holy Spirit?  
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- b) Write down any two forms of the Holy Spirit.  
i) ..... ii) .....

c) In which way is the Holy Spirit important to Christians today?

**Or:**a) Give any two reasons why Muslims fast during the month of Ramadhan.

i) .....

ii) .....

b) Write down any two groups of people excused from fasting.

i) ..... ii) .....

53. **Either:**a) How is each of the following sacraments important in Christianity?

i) Baptism .....

ii) Confirmation .....

b) Write down any two visible symbols of the Holy Communion (Eucharist) in Christianity.

i) ..... ii) .....

**Or:**a) Write short notes about the following terms.

i) Hajjat .....

ii) Haji .....

b) Write any two conditions a Muslim must first fulfill before performing Hajj (Hijjah).

i) ..... ii) .....

54. **Either:**a) Write down any two parables used by Jesus Christ in His teachings.

i) ..... ii) .....

b) Give two reasons why Jesus Christ used parables in His teachings.

i) .....

ii) .....

**Or:**a) Mention any two reasons why Muslims pay Zakat.

i) .....

ii) .....

b) Write down any two groups of people who should receive Zakat.

i) ..... ii) .....

### **FOR BOTH**

55a) Give any two importance of friendship in a society.

i) .....

ii) .....

b) Write any two factors that spoil friendship in a society.

i) ..... ii) .....