



SUREKEY EXAMINATIONS BOARD  
PRIMARY SEVEN PLACEMENT SET ONE  
2024  
ENGLISH

Time Allowed: 2 hours 15 minutes

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Read the following instructions carefully:

1. Do not forget to write your **school** or **district name** on this paper.
2. This paper has two sections: **A** and **B**. Section **A** has **50** questions and Section **B** has **5** questions. The paper has **15 printed pages** altogether.
3. Answer **all** questions. **All** the working for both sections **A** and **B** must be shown in the spaces provided.
4. **All** working must be done using a **blue** or **black** ball point pen or ink. Any work done in pencil will **not** be marked.
5. Unnecessary **changes** in your work and handwriting that cannot easily be read may lead to loss of marks.
6. 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		



## SECTION A: 50 MARKS

### Sub -Section I

Questions 1 to 50 carry one mark each

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

1. The director congratulated last year's candidates ..... their excellent performance.
2. Mugalu asked, ".....must I bring my holiday plan here?"
3. The bigger the car, the ..... expensive it is.
4. A swarm of bees.....the children who were throwing stones at the hive.
5. One can do anything one wants for.....

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

6. We waited .....at the road junction. (patient)
7. There was a strong .....between the girls and the boys in yesterday's debate. (argue)
8. Mrs. Kojja has to.....the nuts before she removes the car wheels. (loose)
9. Stella's PLE results are three times..... than Anna's. (good)
10. A professional health worker always pays attention to the patient's.....(explain)

11. River Nile.....as we sailed along. (wide)

12. Mor  
mar

13. She

14. We

15. " Is t

In the num  
**order.**

16. chore

17. bench

For question  
**underlined**

18. Munub

19. River K

19. Our sch  
Kenya.

12. Mondo is one of the.....of the Toto Magazine on the market. (publicise)

13. She has been .....timber since morning. (saw)

14. We made..... a ball for playing with. (us)

15. "Is this meeting.....?" he enquired.(accident)

In the numbers **16** and **17**, arrange the given words **in alphabetical order**.

16. chores , choice , choose , choir

17. bench , desk , sofa , stool

For questions **18** to **20**, rewrite each sentence giving **one** word for the **underlined group of words**.

18. Munubi's cousins, aunts, uncles have arrived at his birthday party.

19. River Kagera is not rough during morning hours.

19. Our school group of eleven football players has gone to Kenya.



In each words.

29.

30.

In each bracket

31. I (f

32. It th

33. T (

34. V v

In each of the questions 21 and 22, rewrite the sentence giving the **opposite** of the **underlined word**.

21. having treated my nephew kindly, the stepmother was imprisoned.

22. The careless boy leaned against a moving bus and he dirtied himself.

For each of the questions 23 and 24, write the **plural forms** of the given words.

23. quiz

24. piece of luggage

For questions 25 and 26, arrange the given words to make a **correct sentence**.

25. one division candidates All our passed in.

26. Mr. Kato announcement read by the Was?

For each of the questions 27 and 28, use the given words in a sentence to show that you know the **difference in their meaning**.

27. plain

28. plane

In each of the questions 29 and 30, write the **short forms** of the given words.

29. mount .....  
30. let us .....



### Sub-Section II

In each of the questions 31 to 50, rewrite the sentences as **instructed** in brackets.

31. It is rather hard to knead dough in a small container.  
(Rewrite the sentence using: .....quite.....)
32. It was not necessary for the candidates to report to school without their parents. (Rewrite the sentence using: .....needn't.....)
33. The room was so dark. We could not see the needle.  
(Rewrite as **one** sentence using: .....too.....to.....)
34. When Pauline failed to raise a point of information, everyone was surprised. (Rewrite the sentence beginning: Pauline's.....)

35. It rained and our crops were swept by floods.  
(Rewrite the sentence beginning: If.....)

36. Our school consists of only boys.  
(Rewrite the sentence using: .....comprised.....)

37. I like visiting relatives. I like visiting friends more.  
(Rewrite the sentence using: .....prefer.....)

38. The holiday makers have come. They visited mountain Elgon.  
(Rewrite as **one** sentence using: .....who.....)

39. That is a very interesting article. Everybody will read it.  
(Rewrite as **one** sentence using: .....such.....that.....)

40. Malayika was sewing a dress yesterday.  
(Rewrite the sentence using: .....being sewn.....)

41. They are not as thirsty as I am.  
(Rewrite the sentence using: .....than.....)



42. That barber was born in Sudan.  
(Rewrite the sentence ending: ..... by nationality.)

43. If Kato writes carelessly, he will lose a lot of marks.  
(Rewrite the sentence beginning: The....., the more.....)

44. My friend has hung the skirt on the line.  
(Rewrite the sentence beginning: A friend .....

45. Rugby is an interesting game.  
(Rewrite the sentence ending: ..... rugby ist)

46. As the mechanic was tightening the brakes, the car  
engine oil leaked. (Rewrite the sentence using: ...while....)

47. Akul is poor. She cannot buy newspapers daily.  
(Rewrite the sentence using: .....enough.....)

48. "I am going to plane wood," said the carpenter.  
(Rewrite the sentence beginning: The carpenter .....

49. It is good to be sympathetic to the sick.  
(Rewrite the sentence beginning: Being.....)

Elgon.



50. We have made holiday plans. We want to enjoy ourselves.  
(Rewrite the sentence using: .....so as.....)

**SECTION B: 50 MARKS**

Questions 51 to 55 carry ten marks each

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

**TENGE, THE HEADBOY**

In the third week of first term, 2023, our school held a prefects elections. This was done to choose new prefects since the formers their term of office had expired.

The election was so epic. It started with Mr. Oketcho Jelly, the Chairperson Electoral Commission informing us of the available posts during the assembly.

Everyone became excited. Different learners started picking interests in different posts. The most hearted post was head boy. Seven different boys applied. Of all these, there were majorly three boys whose names were known i.e. Tenge, Rango and Murife.

On the second day after nominations, the whole school had preferred Tenge since his name was being sung everywhere. Tenge had created a group that was singing and dancing to his name and manifestos with the slogan, "Tenge, Tenge, Tengelele, the redeemer"

After voting, Tenge emerged the winner. He is a very disciplined and hardworking head boy.

- (a) What is the passage about?



- (b) When did the school hold the elections?  
.....
- (c) Why do you think the elections were held?  
.....
- (d) Who is in charge of elections in the school?  
.....
- (e) How many boys wanted to be voted head boys?  
.....
- (f) Mention **two** contestants who contested on the post of head boy.  
.....
- (g) Give a **word** or **group of words** with the same meaning as the **underlined words** or **group of words** in the story.  
(i) known .....  
(ii) emerged .....
- (j) Suggest a suitable title for the story.  
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52. The table below shows the names of customers who went to Muzafaru Motor Spare Parts to buy spare parts during the Christmas Holiday in 2023. Study it and use it to answer, **in full sentences**, the questions that follow.

CUSTOMERS NAMES	ITEMS TAKEN FROM THE GARAGE									
	PRIERS			CAR JERK			SPANNER			
	PD	BC	H	PD	BC	H	PD	BC	H	
Mwana Gwe	x	x	x	✓	x	x	x	x	x	x
Kigozi Miracle	x	x	✓	✓	x	x	x	x	x	x
Akul Mamiyo	x	x	✓	x	x	✓	x	x	x	✓
Babongote Kenneth	✓	x	x	✓	x	x	✓	x	x	x
Neera Tim	x	✓	x	x	✓	x	x	✓	x	x
Kavyuyo Emma	✓	x	x	x	x	✓	✓	x	x	x
Glenda Awor	x	x	x	✓	x	x	x	x	x	✓
Acheng Patience	x	x	x	✓	x	x	✓	x	✓	✓

**KEY**

PD = Paid

BC = Bought on credit

H = Hired

✓ = Yes

x = No

- (a) What does the above table show?

- (b) Where did the customers acquire the items from?



(c) When did Muzafaru receive the customers?

(d) Who did not have money to pay for all the items he got from the garage?

(e) Which item was mostly taken by customers and later returned it?

(f) What did Mwana Gwe pay for?

(g) Which customer paid for all items instantly?

(h) Who paid to borrow a car jerk and bought a spanner?

(i) Which customer is not interested in owning any item?

(j) Why do you think it is important for a seller to have such records in his garage?



Turn Over

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

**School ! School ! School !**

The order of the day  
A series of activities  
A chain of challenges

**School ! School ! School !**

The illiterate, uneducated  
Let us go schooling  
Let us face the hardship

**School ! School ! School !**

The young and the old  
School is the solution to our problems  
The mother of invention  
The way to better life

**School ! School ! School !**

The order of the day  
The key to success  
The light of the future  
The road to wisdom

- (a) What is the poem about?

- (b) What advice does the writer give to his friends?



ices,

(c) Which category of people are talked about in stanza three?  
.....  
.....

(d) What is referred to as the mother of invention?  
.....  
.....

(e) Which stanza talks about a series of activities?  
.....  
.....

(f) How many stanzas is the poem comprised of?  
.....  
.....

(g) By whom was the poem written?  
.....  
.....

(h) Give the singular form for the word series.  
series .....

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

(i) illiterate .....

(ii) way .....

55. Fill

1. You become friends with the pen pal by writing letters. **6**
2. He wanted to know whether I live in a rural or urban home.
3. His name is Celestine Ojambo. **2**
4. We became friends when I was in primary one. **3**
5. A pen pal is someone you make friends with. **3**
6. I do not know how he felt when he read it.
7. In my reply, I told him that I lived in a rural home.
8. He lives in a country called Bongbong. **2**
9. One day, he wrote a letter to me. **4**
10. I have a pen pal. **6**

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55. Fill in the blank spaces with a **correct word** from the box below.

One day, our teacher of English came to our ..... and started teaching. She introduced a topic known as ".....".

She told us about different ..... people do to earn a living.

She then asked us what we would be in future.

One boy said that he would become a ..... and fly aeroplanes to different countries in the world. The second one a ..... to save people's life. The teacher asked the girls what they wanted to be in future.

..... stood up and said "I would become a Lawyer." Mary said she would become a ..... in order to teach the young generation.

One girl surprised the class when she said that she wanted to become a ..... so that she could make very executive furniture like the one sold in Nina Interiors and also to export it abroad.

She said she would earn a lot of local and foreign

..... which will make her rich and .....

currency, job,	class,	pilot,	Nankya,
Occupation, teacher,	carpenter,	famous,	doctor