208/1 LITERATURE IN ENGLISH Paper 1 July/August 2024 2¹/₂ hours



WAKISSHA JOINT MOCK EXAMINATIONS

Uganda Certificate of Education

LITERATURE IN ENGLISH

Paper 1

2 hours 30 minutes

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES:

This paper consists of three examination items. It has two Sections; A and B.

Section A has one compulsory item.

There are two examination items in section **B.** Answer one item.

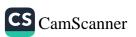
Answer two examination items in all.

Any additional item answered will not be scored.

All answers must be written in the Answer Booklet(s)/sheets provided.

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SECTION A

ITEM 1. Read the following poem and respond to the tasks after it.

I am not my brother's keeper Julius Ocwinyo

Who told you
I am
My brother's keeper?
Is it to become
My brother's keeper
I fought so hard
To reach
Here, where I am?

If your lungs
Are too weak
To survive the climb
Too frail to bear
The rarefied heights
Am I to blame?

If I am riding high In my Pajero In my Benz Or my Prado Is it me To blame?

Didn't you elect me
Your eyes blind
With the fumes
Of yesterday's booze
And your mouth remembering
The savour
Of yesterday's meat?
Don't you recall taking
With an eagerness feverish
And unbidden
The plastic cups
And the plastic basin?

If you suffer —
Staring up The caustic stench
Of my flatulent emissions
Am I to blame?
Who told you
I am your keeper?

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Tasks:

- (a) Poets do not speak directly to the audience. They often assign another voice to deliver their message. With evidence, explain who the speaker in the poem is.
- (b) Like all writers of literary works, poets use their poems to address social issues affecting the society. Referring to the poem, explain the societal issues the poet brings out.
- (c) The message of a poet is always packaged through techniques and language. Explain the poetic techniques used in the poem.
- (d) What we read in a poem is always a reflection of what happens in the society. In what ways is the poem similar to what goes on in your community?

SECTION B

Choose **one** task from this section. Illustrate your answer by referring to any of the following set books.

> WILLIAM SHAKESPEARE : The Merchant Vemice

➤ FRANCIS IMBUGA : The Return of Mgofu

> JOHN STEINBECK : The Pearl

> LAWRENCE DARMANI : Grief child

> SYLVESTER ONZIVUA : The Heart Soothers

➤ OKIYA OMTATAH OKOITI: Voice of the People

➤ VICTOR BYABAMAZIMA : Shadows of Time

> CHINUA ACHEBE : Things Fall Apart

➤ DANIEL MENGARA : Mema

➤ DAVID DUBADIRI : Growing up with Poetry

➤ A.D AMATESHE : An Anthology of East African Poetry.

EITHER

Item 2.

The consequences of our actions will ultimately affect us, whether good or bad. Using a set book you have studied, show how the main character is affected by his or her actions and decisions.

OR

Item 3.

Literature is like a mirror that reflects our own societies. Many authors derive the experiences they write about from the societies they live. Referring to a set book you have studied, show how it reflects what happens in your own society.

END

