

## THE KENYA NATIONAL EXAMINATIONS COUNCIL

## DESCRIPTORS PER LEARNING AREA PER PERFORMANCE LEVEL

Level	Level 3	Level 2	Level 1
Description of Level  Learning Area	Meets Expectation	Approaches Expectation	Below Expectation
Communication, Social and Literacy Skills			
At the intermediate level learners are required to apply verbal and non-verbal	The learner correctly reads/signs/tactual signs 4 or 5 sentences out of the 5	The learner correctly reads/signs/tactual signs 2 or 3 sentences out of the 5	The learner correctly reads/signs/tactual signs 1 or none of the 5 sentences

communication skills for social interaction.

The assessment required learners to read simple words and sentences verbally/ in signing or tactual signing, for communication; respond to up to 4 action instructions for

given; responds to 4 or 5 instructions out of the 5 specified and correctly writes 7 to 10 words out of the 10 given.

This implies that the learner is at the maintenance level of skill masterly since they can

given; responds to 2 or 3 instructions out of the 5 specified and correctly writes 4 to 6 words out of the 10 given.

Such a learner is at the fluency level of skill masterly given; responds to 1 or none of the 5 instructions specified and correctly writes 3,2,1 or none of the 10 words given.

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guidance; and write or braille own name, names of objects and places in the immediate environment.	keep performing the tasks as required.	since they can consistently perform the tasks.			
Daily Living Skills and Religi	Daily Living Skills and Religious Education				
By the end of the intermediate	The learner demonstrates 4 or	The learner demonstrates 2 or	The learner demonstrates 1 or		
level the learner is expected to	5 out of 5 skills of washing	3 out of 5 skills of washing	none of the 5 skills of washing		
apply appropriate self-care for	different types of clothes,	different types of clothes,	different types of clothes,		
good grooming.	identifies 6 to 8 out of the 8	identifies 3 to 5 out of the 8	identifies 1, 2 or none of the 8		
The task the learner was	denominations of Kenyan	denominations of Kenyan	denominations of Kenyan		
required to use the correct	money presented and exhibit	money presented and exhibit	money presented and		
procedure for washing	4 or 5 out the 5 prayer	2 or 3 out the 5 prayer	exhibited 1 or none of the 5		
different types of clothes,	attributes specified.	attributes specified.	prayer attributes specified.		
identify different					

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denominations of Kenyan money, identify a place of worship and recite a prayer.	Such a learner is at the maintenance level of skill masterly since they can repeatedly perform the tasks as desired.	At this stage a learner is at the fluency level of skill masterly. This learners can consistently since they can repeatedly perform the tasks as expected.	This learner is at the acquisition level of skill masterly. The learner is yet to develop the skill to the desired level.		
Sensory Motor Integration a	Sensory Motor Integration and creative activities				
At this level the learner was required to determine position in space to make coordinated movement to perform various activities and make ornamental items for creativity, earning and aesthetic value under art and	The learner demonstrates acquisition of 4-5 attributes out of the 5 assessed in each of the 3 sub-tasks assessed i.e. maintaining appropriate posture while working, making a bracelet and playing a musical instrument.	The learner demonstrates acquisition of 2-3 attributes out of the 5 assessed in each of the 3 sub-tasks assessed i.e. maintaining appropriate posture while working, making a bracelet and playing a musical instrument.	The learner demonstrates only 1 or none of the 5 attributes specified in each of the 3 subtasks assessed i.e. maintaining appropriate posture while working, making a bracelet and playing a musical instrument.		

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craft while in music they are required to express their ideas, thoughts and feelings through performing music.  The task assessed learners' ability to maintain appropriate posture while working where attributes measured included maintaining steady posture, uprightness, adjustment to self, balancing and coordination in sensory motor integration. Art and craft attributes assessed size appropriateness, coordination, firmness, safety and creativity	Achievement at this level indicates that the learner is at maintenance level of skill masterly meaning that they a mastery of the desired skills.	A learner achieving at this level shows that at the fluency level of skill mastery. This implies that the learner can consistently apply the skill to perform the task.	At this level such a learner is at the acquisition stage of skill mastery. This I means that the learner can level shows that at the fluency level of skill mastery. This implies that the learner applies the skill seldomly.
while the task covering music required learners to play a musical instrument (Drum)			

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according to the tune and			
rhythm of a song. For music the attributes measured			
included appropriate of the			
drum sticks, self-positioning, keeping to the rhythm and			
tune of the song.			
Numeracy, Environmental a	nd Psychomotor Activities		
At intermediate level the	The learner identifies	The learner identifies	The learner identifies
learners are required to	/recognizes or names at least	/recognizes or names at least	/recognizes or names at least
observe safety while caring for	6 out of 10 animals in the	4 or 5 out of 10 animals in the	3 or less out of 10 animals in
plant and animals for	immediate environment,	immediate environment,	the immediate environment,
sustainable development,	matches at least 8 out of 10	matches at least 5 to 7 out of	matches at least 4 or less out
apply concept to perform	numbers with the	10 numbers with the	of 10 numbers with the
simple addition and	corresponding number of	corresponding number of	corresponding number of
subtraction in day to day life	objects/ items/ materials and	objects/ items/ materials and	objects/ items/ materials and

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and develop manipulative	demonstrates acquisition of 4	demonstrates acquisition of 2	demonstrates acquisition of 1
skills for fine and gross motor	to 5 out of 5 specified	to 3 out of 5 specified	or none of the 5 specified
co-ordination.	attributes in the skill of kicking	attributes in the skill of kicking	attributes in the skill of kicking
The tasks required the learner	a ball.	a ball.	a ball.
to identify 10 animals found in	This learner is at the	Such a learner is at the	This learner is operating at
the immediate environment,	maintenance level of skill	fluency level of skill mastery.	acquisition level of the skill
match numbers 1- 10 with corresponding objects and	mastery indicating that the	This implies that the learner	mastery. This is an indicator
perform kicking activities	learner has acquired the	has acquired the desired skills	that the learner is yet to
whereby positioning self and the ball, kicking, maintaining balance and observing safety was assessed.	desired skills satisfactorily.	and can consistently apply the skill.	master the skills as desired.