CIVICS SYLLABUS: Ordinary level

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Form One

1. Our Nation

- 1. The Components of our Nation
 - 1. To be able to analyse the components that make up our nation
- 2. The National Symbols
 - 1. Identify Tanzania's national symbols
 - 2. Explain the significance of each national symbol
 - 3. Identify Tanzania's national festivals and their significance

2. Promotion Of Life Skills

- 1. Meaning and Types
 - 1. Explain the meaning and types of life skills
 - 2. Illustrate the importance of life skills
 - 3. Demonstrate how to use social skills
 - 4. Analyse the consequences of not applying social skills

3. Human Rights

- 1. Aspects of Human Rights
 - 1. Define human rights
 - 2. Explain the various aspects of human rights
 - 3. Explain the importance of human rights in our society
 - 4. Relate human rights to the provision of basic needs
 - 5. Evaluate the role of Government and different pressure groups in the promotion of human rights in Tanzania
- 2. Limitations of Individual Human Rights
 - 1. Explain the meaning and purpose of limitations of individual human rights
- 3. Human Rights Abuse
 - 1. To be able to explain the meaning and effects of human rights abuse

4. Responsible Citizenship

- 1. Concept of Citizenship
 - 1. Explain the meaning of citizen and citizenship
 - 2. Explain types and the importance of citizenship
- 2. Citizenship Responsibilities

- 1. Explain the responsibilities of a citizen
- 2. Practice civic responsibilities
- 3. Responsibilities to Special Groups Including HIV/AIDS Victims
 - 1. Define the term special groups
 - 2. Identify special needs for each special group
 - 3. Point out his/her responsibilities towards special group

5. Work

- 1. The Concept of Work
 - 1. Define Work
 - 2. Name different work related activities done in the community
- 2. Importance of Work
 - 1. Explain the importance of work for self-development
 - 2. Relate work to the development of the nation

6. Family

- 1. Rights and Responsibilities of Family Members
 - 1. Analyse the rights and responsibilities of each member in the family
 - 2. Assess the consequences of failure by family members to carry out their responsibilities
- 2. The Concept of Family
 - 1. Define family
 - 2. Identify types of families
 - 3. Analyse the importance of family
 - 4. Identify factors contributing to family stability
 - 5. Identify foundations of a stable marriage
- 3. Elements of Proper Behaviour
 - 1. Identify elements of indicators of proper behavior
 - 2. Explain the importance of behaving properly
- 4. Responsible Decision Making
 - 1. Explain the meaning and importance of responsible decision-making
 - 2. Illustrate skills needed to make healthy decisions

7. Road Safety Education

- 1. Importance of Road/Traffic Signs
 - 1. Explain the meaning of road or traffic signs
 - 2. Give correct interpretation of road or traffic signs
 - 3. Explain the importance of obeying road or traffic signs
 - 4. Explain the consequences of failure to observe road traffic signs
- 2. Causes of Road Accidents
 - 1. Identify causes of road accidents
 - 2. Assess the magnitude of road accidents in Tanzania
- 3. Prevention of Road Accidents
 - 1. Explain ways of preventing road accidents
 - 2. Assess the magnitude of road accidents in Tanzania
 - 3. Help the disabled, children and the elderly to cross roads

Form Two

1. Promotion Of Life Skills

- 1. Social Problem Solving Techniques
 - 1. Explain the meaning and importance of applying problem solving techniques
 - 2. Identify steps in the problem solving process

2. Government Of Tanzania

- 1. Government
 - 1. Explain the meaning and types of government
 - 2. Illustrate the importance of government
- 2. The Constitution
 - 1. Explain the meaning and the structure of the national constitution
 - 2. Explain how the constitution is made, its importance, its relationship to the government of Tanzania, how it is safeguarded
- 3. Local Government
 - 1. Define local government
 - 2. Describe the structure of local government
 - 3. Identify functions of local government
 - 4. Participate actively in function of either school or local government
 - 5. Explain why the local government has an important effect on his/her life
 - 6. Explain sources of local government revenue
 - 7. Explain how the local government spends its revenue
- 4. Central Government
 - 1. Explain the meaning of central government
 - 2. Describe the structure of the central government
 - 3. Explain the functions of the central government
 - 4. Differentiate between local and central government
 - 5. Identify sources of central government revenue
 - 6. Explain the central government expenditure
 - 7. Participate in different central government activities
- 5. The Reasons for and Importance of Tanganyika and Zanzibar Union
 - 1. Explain the reasons for and importance of Tanganyika and Zanzibar union
 - 2. Identity union matters in the government of the United Republic of Tanzania
 - 3. Suggest strategies for improving the union's stability

3. Democracy

- 1. Types of Democracy
 - 1. Explain the meaning of democracy
 - 2. Analyse the principles of democracy
 - 3. Differentiate types of democracies
 - 4. Assess whether Tanzania implements in accordance with the principle of democracy

- 5. Differentiate democratic from non-democratic government
- 6. Analyse common features of multiparty democracy
- 7. Explain how he/she can participate in democratic activities in the society

2. Democratic Election

- 1. Explain the meaning and indicators of democratic elections
- 2. Explain the importance of democratic elections
- 3. Assess whether there are free and fair elections in Tanzania
- 4. Demonstrate a spirit of tolerance by accepting constructive criticism and defeat

4. Gender

- 1. The Concept of Gender
 - 1. Explain the meaning of gender
 - 2. Identify different gender concepts
 - 3. Suggest corrective measures against negative socio-cultural practices

Form Three

1. Promotion Of Life Skills

- 1. Good Leadership, Team Work, Positive Relationship, Self-Worth and Confidence
 - 1. Explain the importance of good leadership, teamwork, positive relationship, self-worth and confidence qualities
 - 2. Demonstrate good leadership, teamwork, positive relationship, self-worth, confidence qualities

2. Economic And Social Development

- 1. Concept of Economic Development
 - 1. Explain the meaning of development
 - 2. Identify types and levels of development
 - 3. Explain the meaning of economic development
- 2. Indicators of Economic Development
 - 1. Identify indicators of economic development
 - 2. Appraise the indicators of economic development in relation to Tanzania
- 3. Factors for Economic Development
 - 1. Identify factors for economic development
 - 2. Illustrate the importance of each factor of economic development
- 4. The Role of Financial Institutions in Economic Development
 - 1. Analyse the role of different financial institutions in economic development
 - 2. Point out the condition and procedures for getting services from each Financial Institution
 - 3. Assess the strengths and weaknesses of each of the financial institutions
- 5. The role of Government in Economic Development
 - 1. Explain the role of government in economic development
 - 2. Assess the effectiveness of the government in economic development
- 6. The Role of the Private Sector in Economic Development
 - 1. Identify components of the private sector
 - 2. Illustrate the importance of the informal sector in economic development
 - 3. Analyse the problems facing the informal sector
 - 4. Propose ways of improving the informal sector
- 7. Social Development and Social Services
 - 1. Explain the meaning of social development and social services
 - 2. Analyse the different social services provided in Tanzania
- 8. The Role of Government in the Provision of Social Services
 - 1. Explain the meaning of social development and social services
 - 2. Appraise the role of the government in the provision of social services
- 9. The Role of the Private Sector in the Provision of Social Services
 - 1. Explain the role of private sector in the provision of social services
 - 2. Analyse the challenges facing the provision of social services in Tanzania
 - 3. Recommend solutions of the challenges facing the provision of social services

3. Poverty

- 1. Indicators of Poverty
 - 1. Define poverty
 - 2. Point out different levels and types of poverty
 - 3. Identify indicators of poverty
 - 4. Relate different indicators of poverty to the Tanzanian situation
- 2. Causes and Effects of Poverty in Tanzania
 - 1. Analyse the causes of poverty in Tanzania
 - 2. Analyse the effects of poverty in Tanzania
- 3. Strategies for Poverty Alleviation in Tanzania
 - 1. Analyse the strategies in place for poverty alleviation in Tanzania
 - 2. Assess the effectiveness of the strategies in place for poverty alleviation

Form Four

1. Culture

- 1. Aspects and Elements of Culture
 - 1. Explain the meaning aspects and elements of culture
 - 2. Illustrate the importance of each element of culture
- 2. Positive and Negative Aspects of our Cultural Values
 - 1. Identify positive and negative aspects of our cultural values
 - 2. Illustrate customs which lead to gender discrimination
 - 3. Point out customs that lead to the HIV/AIDS and STIs
 - 4. Analyse the impact of the negative aspects of our customs
 - 5. Propose ways and actions to be taken against negative aspects of our socio-cultural values
- 3. Promotion and Preservation of our Worthy Cultural Values
 - 1. Explain the importance of promoting and preserving our worthy cultural values
 - 2. Assess the roles of different groups and institutions in promoting and preserving our cultural values
 - 3. Illustrate problems facing the promotion of our cultural values
 - 4. Propose solution to problems arising in the process of promoting and preserving our cultural values
- 4. Culture of Preventive Care and Maintenance of Personal and Public Property
 - 1. Explain the meaning and the importance of culture of preventive care and maintenance of personal and public property
 - 2. Analyse the consequences of neglecting timely repair and maintenance
- 5. Promotion of Life Skills
 - 1. Demonstrate how to use different life skills

2. Globalization

- 1. The Concept and Aspects of Globalization
 - 1. Explain the concept and aspects of globalization
 - 2. Propose possible solution to each of the challenges