**PATFIN HIGH SCHOOL, AKESAN, LAGOS STATE**

**SECOND TERM EXAMINATION [2018/2019]**

**SUBJECT: ENGLISH STUDIES CLASS: J. S. S. 2**

**SECTION A OBJECTIVES**

**Instruction: answer all questions in this section. DURATION: 2 hours**

**COMPREHENSION**

**Read the following passage and answer the questions on it.**

Long ago, when the ostrich had a short neck, the crocodile offered to become his friend. When the other animals heard the news, they warned the ostrich that the crocodile was a dangerous animal and it was un-wise anyway to make friends with such a voracious beast. The ostrich had a very small head and a very small brain and so could not see the wisdom in the advice of the animals. The crocodile and the ostrich became friends.

One day, the crocodile was very hungry because he had not eaten for several days. He said to his friend, ‘Mr ostrich, one of my teeth is paining me acutely, would you please, put your head into my mouth and see the aching tooth?

The foolish ostrich put his head into the mouth of the crocodile to relieve his friend of the pain. But the wicked and gluttonous crocodile closed his mouth tightly on the poor bird’s head. The ostrich pulled and pulled but his neck only grew longer and longer. At last, the crocodile took pity on his friend and let go of his head. The ostrich fled for his life and since then, he has taken good care to live far away from all rivers and crocodiles.

**QUESTIONS 10 Marks**

1. Where does the crocodile live?
2. The crocodile lives on the Island b) The crocodile lives on land c) The crocodile lives on lakes d) The crocodile lives in the river
3. Who warned the ostrich not to befriend the crocodile?
4. The birds b) The reptiles c) The other animals d) The insects
5. Why didn’t the ostrich take to the advice?
6. Because it was stupid b) Because it was too wise c) Because it has a small brain d) Because it has a small head
7. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ wicked and gluttonous crocodile”

The underlined words are used as \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in the passage.

1. Adverbs b) Adjectives c) Nouns d) Verbs
2. Another word for voracious as used in the passage is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
3. Gluttonous b) Dangerous c) Vivacious d) Vibrant

**GRAMMAR**

Use the most appropriate options from the alternative letters A to D to fill in the gaps in the following sentences:

1. The first person present tense form of the verb BE is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
2. Am b) Was c) Is d) Are
3. They have been working \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ 8a.m.
4. Before b) Since c) At d) After
5. In the following group of words, only \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ is a regular verb.
6. Cut b) Wash c) Lend d) Steal
7. You students should not let down your parents means ‘You students should not \_\_\_your parents’.
8. Condemn b) Abuse c) Disappoint d) Lower
9. She takes after her grandmother means ‘she \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ her grandmother’
10. Imitates b) Leads c) Follows d) Resembles
11. Out of the following prepositions, only \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ can be used to indicate contrast.
12. In spite b) Out of c) On account of d) Because of
13. He did not come to class \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ he was ill
14. If b) Unless c) Because d) That
15. The passive form of the sentence, The bad road caused the accident is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
16. The accident was caused by the bad road b) The accident had been caused by the bad road c) The accident is caused by the bad road d) The bad road had caused the accident
17. The man was honest \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_?
18. Was he b) Wasn’t he c) Could he d) Can he
19. The correct response to the question, The man is a cook, isn’t he? Is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
20. Yes, he isn’t b) Yes, he is c) No, he wasn’t d) No, he is

**SPEECH**

Choose the word that contains the same sound as the sound represented by the underlined letter(s) in the given word

1. Splash
2. Bus b) Shoot c) Judge d) Buzz
3. Choleric
4. Chores b) Cattle c) Chap d) Machine

Identify the word which is wrongly stressed in the following

1. a) Better b) leTTer c) aGO d) MOther
2. a) BAllet b) boyHOOD c) BAkery d) BUtter
3. a) Office b) winDOW c) HOStel d) TEAcher

**SECTION B**

**ESSAY WRITING 10 Marks**

**Answer only one question**

1. Write a letter to your friend from another school, telling him/her about your school inter-house sport.

OR

1. Write in support or against the topic: Herbal Medicines are more potent than Orthodox Medicines.

**GRAMMAR 10 Marks**

**Answer all**

1. a) Complete this table:

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| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| S/N | Present tense | Past tense | Past participle |
| i | Arise | ----------- | ------------ |
| ii | Beat | ------------ | ------------ |
| iii | -------------- | Bled | ------------ |
| iv | Sting | ------------- | ------------ |

b)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| S/N | Singular | Plural |
| i | Is | ---------- |
| ii | Was | ---------- |
| iii | -------- | Cook |
| iv | --------- | You |
| V | Me | --------- |

1. a) With a sentence, state three uses of capital letters
2. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
4. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
5. Write out the indirect (reported) speech forms of the following direct speech sentences:
6. ‘Be quiet!’ the teacher told the noisy pupils.
7. ‘Who among you,’ asked the teacher, ‘have not done their homework?’
8. What a naughty girl you are!’ the teacher told Janet.

**LITERATURE-IN-ENGLISH 10Marks**

1. Who is the author of the book, College Politics? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
2. The book “College Politics” is what type of literature?
3. Why did the students prefer to spend one extra week at home in first and second term?
4. Why was Kunle annoyed when he returned?
5. In three sentences summarise the book, College Politics.