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02

ENGLISH LANGUAGE

Time: 1:30 Hours

Thursday, 20th September 2012 a.m.

Instructions

1. This paper consists of **fifty (50)** questions in sections A, B, C and D.
2. Answer **all** the questions.
3. Read all the given instructions in the **special answer sheet (OMR)** and fill in **all** the required information.
4. Write your **Examination Number** and then **shade the digits** of the number in the respective place in your answer sheet.
5. **Shade** the letter of the correct answer for each question in the answer sheet provided, for example, if the correct answer is A shade as follows:

A rectangular box containing five options: A, B, C, D, and E. Each option is preceded by a small square. The square for 'A' is shaded, while the others are empty.
6. If you have to change your answer, you must rub out the shading **very neatly** before shading the new one. Use a **clean rubber**.
7. Use **HB pencil** only.
8. Cellular phones are **not allowed** in the examination room.

SECTION A: GRAMMAR

Choose the words that complete the sentences by shading the letters of the correct answer in the answer sheet provided.

1. The children _____ when the lights went off.
A where studying B was studying C were studying
D is studying E are studying
2. The teacher _____ me with a stick yesterday.
A hits B hit C heat D beats E beaten
3. Mr Kiula _____ in his vegetable garden now.
A worked B is working C has work
D work E has worked
4. My friend _____ a bath before I arrived.
A taken B taking C will take D had taken E takes
5. Sometimes he _____ alone.
A go B goes C went D have gone E going
6. Some elephants _____ our crops.
A destroys B has destroyed C is destroying
D was destroying E have destroyed
7. If he _____, we will go with him.
A come B coming C comes D came E had come
8. Did you _____ your home work last night?
A finish B finishes C finished D finishing E do finish
9. Farmers _____ maize next year.
A will grow B have grown C has grown
D were growing E had grown
10. Is Andrew _____ well in his studies these days?
A do B does C did D done E doing
11. _____ she was tired, she worked hard.
A Although B Inspite C Despite of D Despite E Even
12. We wear shoes _____ to protect our feet.
A so B as C because D for E in order
13. This book is _____ big to fit in my bag.
A very B too C so D to E as
14. He looks _____ younger since he came back from Loliondo.
A many B any C much D very E some

15. The man _____ stole the books was caught at night.
A whose B which C who D whom E what
16. Will you _____ me your pen, please?
A borrow B lend C take D help E assist
17. Write the indirect speech for the sentence "My brother will be here tomorrow." Mary said.
A Mary said that her brother could be there the next day
B Mary said that my brother will be there the next day
C Mary said that her brother would be there the next day
D Mary said that her brother will be there the next day
E Mary said that your brother will be there the next day.
18. Mr Kalasamaki goes fishing every evening, _____?
A don't he B wasn't he C hasn't he D isn't he E doesn't he
19. Mr and Mrs John have a _____ family.
A happily B happy C happiest
D most happiness E more happiest
20. He is both a committed prefect _____ a clever pupil.
A but B with C and D for E also
21. I was so exhausted _____ I did not work anymore.
A enough B such C although D that E the extent
22. Did you send me _____ empty parcel?
A a B few C an D some E many
23. Mr Tajiri's house is _____ big _____ Mr Maskini's house.
A so ... as B as ... as C too ... as D so ... that E too ... to
24. He got up early _____ catch the aircraft.
A because B so that C that to D in order to E therefore
25. It is cloudy, _____ it will rain today.
A and B that C perhaps D as E so as
26. My mother uses _____ onion as a spice.
A an B a C and D many E a few
27. We have known him _____ 1995.
A for B since C by D at E in
28. There was _____ rainfall in January than in February this year.
A plenty B most C best D less E plentiful
29. Rehema bought a _____ of soap and a kilo of sugar.
A bunch B pile C crowd D loaf E bar

30. She injured herself _____ a knife.
A with B by C on D and E of

SECTION B: VOCABULARY

For each of the following questions, choose the correct answer and **shade** its **letter** in the answer sheet provided.

31. A person who cuts other people's hair is called a _____.
A saloon B barber C hair cutter D hair dresser E hair saloon
32. A person who defends a country when there is a war is called _____.
A a doctor B a soldier C a police D an ambassador E a pilot
33. Our cow has just given birth to a _____.
A piglet B puppy C calf D chick E kitten
34. The items: skirt, shirt, pair of trousers and coat are all _____.
A dresses B wears C blouses D clothes E pajamas
35. A pedestrian is a person who _____.
A pedals the bicycle B walks on foot C travels by car
D uses a pedal E travels by train
36. When a person does not get some food nutrients, he/she can get _____.
A dehydration B diabetes C measles D constipation E malnutrition

SECTION C: COMPOSITION

This section has four mixed sentences. Arrange the sentences so as to make a good composition by giving them letters A-D. **Shade** the **letter** of the correct answer in your answer sheet.

37. She jumped out of bed and ran to her mother happily.
38. She found her mother in the kitchen with a cake and some toys.
39. Diana was still fast asleep in the morning dreaming about her birthday.
40. Suddenly, she heard her mother calling her.

SECTION D: COMPREHENSION

Read the following passage carefully and then answer the questions that follow by **shading** the **letter** of the correct answer in your answer sheet.

A long time ago, there was a Monkey and his wife who had a garden full of different crops such as beans, peas and cabbages. They also had plenty of yams. Mr and Mrs Monkey worked very hard day and night. During the dry season, they watered their garden by using water from the nearby well.

Near their garden lived a Tortoise who was slow and lazy. Mr Tortoise never did any work. He used to sing his favourite songs all day while Monkey and his wife worked in their garden.

There was a lot of food in the Monkey's house. The house was so small it could hardly keep all the food from the garden. This was different from Mr. Tortoise's house since there was no food at all. When Tortoise wanted some food, he got it by telling stories and singing songs. He used to tell children from different homes to take food along when going to his house for the stories and songs.

These children's parents discovered that Mr Tortoise was using their children for his survival. So they stopped their children from going there, hence Tortoise suffered from hunger. One day, the Tortoise sent his son to the Monkey's house to borrow some food and promised to pay him the next day. The Monkey gave the Tortoise some food.

The following day, Monkey went to Tortoise's house and asked to be paid his money. Tortoise told him not to worry as he would pay him "the next day". Unfortunately for the Monkey, the next day never came.

41. Who worked hard in his garden?
A The Monkey B The Tortoise C Monkey's friends
D Tortoise's children E Monkey's children.
42. Who lived near the Monkey's garden?
A The Monkey's wife B The Monkey's friends C The children
D The Tortoise E The children's parents.
43. How did the Tortoise get food?
A Telling stories B Stealing food C Selling food
D Growing food E Working hard.
44. Whose house was full of food?
A The children's house B The neighbours' house
C The Tortoise's house D The Monkey's house
E The Monkey's friends' house.
45. Why did the Tortoise suffer from hunger?
A Because he was a beggar B Because he was lazy
C Because he liked stories D Because he liked visiting friends
E Because he liked singing.

46. Who did the Tortoise send to the Monkey's home?
A His niece B His daughter C His son
D His nephew E The children.
47. When did Tortoise promise to pay Monkey for the food?
A After a week B The following day C In two days time
D The same day E In the morning.
48. Where did Monkey get water from in the dry season?
A The ocean B The river C The sea D The garden E The well.
49. Who used to give food to Tortoise?
A The Monkey B The parents C The children D The son E The friend.
50. What did Tortoise borrow from Monkey?
A Some food B Some beans C Some cabbages
D Some peas E Some yams.