

DISTINCTION UPPER PRIMARY ASSESSMENT

MONITORING LEARNER'S PROGRESS

GRADE 5 - 2023

ENGLISH

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PREMIER



Read the conversation below and then answer questions 1 – 5.

- Peter : May I borrow your pen, Pauline?
- Pauline : Sure. When can I get it back?
- Peter : Tomorrow.
- Pauline: Nobody will be in school tomorrow.
- Peter : Tomorrow is a Friday. Are you planning to be absent?
- Pauline: Tomorrow is Madaraka Day and everyone even the learners will be at home celebrating.
- Peter : Oh yes! I had forgotten. We shall all be celebrating our heroes and heroines.
- Pauline: Come on! That is the day we remember when we got our independence.
- Peter : The freedom fighters fought for our independence, right?
- Pauline: Of course, yes. I wonder why we do not celebrate Mashujaa Day before celebrating Madaraka Day.
- Peter : Me too. However, Madaraka Day, Mashujaa Day and Jamhuri Day are connected in a way. It is possible to confuse them.
- Pauline: True. Just like saying, "Peter borrowed a pen from Pauline" confuses some people.
- Peter : Another example is saying, "The pears Peter bought on Labour Day were tied with blue ribbons."
- Pauline: You have an interesting way of making one laugh.
- Peter : Didn't you know that laughter is the best medicine for the soul?
- Pauline: See you later. Bye for now.
- Peter : Bye, too, my friend and desk mate.



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| <p>1. Peter uses the words May I to show that he is</p> <p>A. polite B. demanding</p> <p>C. rude D. humble</p> <p>2. Why won't learners be going to school that Friday?</p> <p>A. They loved being absent.</p> <p>B. Their teacher had told them to stay home.</p> <p>C. Everybody would be at home celebrating.</p> <p>D. It would be a national holiday.</p> <p>3. Which one among the following is not a national holiday?</p> | <p>A. Labour Day B. Valentine's Day</p> <p>C. Madaraka Day D. Mashujaa Day</p> <p>4. The word borrow has been used in the dialogue. What is its opposite?</p> <p>A. keep B. grab</p> <p>C. lend D. return</p> <p>5. What is the dialogue about?</p> <p>A. No school on Friday.</p> <p>B. National holidays.</p> <p>C. Celebrating heroes and heroines.</p> <p>D. Tongue twisters.</p> |
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Read the passage below and then answer questions 6 – 9

Yesterday, we attended Okumu's birthday party. The singing was too noisy for small children. Soon, the singing and dancing stopped. We then played 'guess my age' game. It was too difficult to guess the age of Okumu's brother. He looked too big for his age. The most surprising thing about him was that he claimed not to be strong yet he was the biggest. Boys small in size scared him and we did not make things any better; we laughed at him.

When it was time to cut the cake, Tony was requested to bring it to the table. Okumu's birthday cake was too heavy for him to carry. He needed help to even lift it. We sang as Okumu cut the cake. It was served with tea, just imagine. I had never seen that happen. Usually, birthday cakes are eaten like that with children enjoying the cream and applying some on their faces. The tea was too hot for the younger children to drink. They had to wait before drinking it. We had a lot of fun though. We ate to our satisfaction and left for our homes at our pleasure.



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| <p>6. Why was it difficult to guess Okumu's brother's age?</p> <p>A. It was not his birthday.</p> <p>B. Boys smaller than he was scared him.</p> <p>C. He appeared too big for his age.</p> <p>D. The children just laughed at him.</p> <p>7. The most surprising thing about Okumu's sibling was that</p> <p>A. he said he wasn't strong yet he was the biggest.</p> <p>B. smaller boys frightened him.</p> <p>C. he came to enjoy in the party.</p> | <p>D. he was not shaken even when we laughed at him.</p> <p>8. Why was Okumu assisted to carry the cake?</p> <p>A. He was a tiny boy.</p> <p>B. The cake was too heavy for him to carry.</p> <p>C. Tony refused to bring it to the table.</p> <p>D. He was tired after the preparations.</p> <p>9. The best title for the passage above would be</p> <p>A. Eating a birthday cake with tea.</p> <p>B. Okumu's brother surprises others.</p> <p>C. How the day ended after a birthday.</p> <p>D. Okumu's birthday party.</p> |
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Read the poem below and then answer questions 10 - 12

In our city there is no bush,
But there are many rubbish heaps,
Big enough to make hills,
With no care for cleanliness.
Who will make a push?
The President or Governor?
The senator or the MCA?
Who will make the push?

We have clear water,
But it is not clean water,
Because it carries germs,
Water is drying at the source.
Who will protect the sources,
From the trees on hills,
Down to the rivers?
Is it the county workers or the police officers?
Is it the parents or ourselves?
Who will make the push?



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| <p>10. Why do you think the writer has compared the rubbish to hills?</p> <p>A. Because they are truly big.</p> <p>B. They have actually formed huge hills.</p> <p>C. He wants us to take action immediately.</p> <p>D. To show that no one actually cares.</p> <p>11. Who among the following is not an elected member as mentioned in the poem?</p> <p>A. The President</p> <p>B. The MCA</p> | <p>C. The Senator</p> <p>D. The Deputy leader</p> <p>12. What is the aim of the poem above?</p> <p>A. To make people stop doing bad things.</p> <p>B. To enlighten people to take care of the environment.</p> <p>C. To drink safe clean water.</p> <p>D. To challenge the leaders to do their work accordingly.</p> |
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Read the passage below and then answer questions 13 – 15.

We participate in different sports at our school. My favourite sport is athletics. Last year in second term, we were at Longonot Primary School for the county athletics games. We started the day by singing the national anthem. After that, the teams and their coaches did warm-up exercises before the short races started. There was a lot of noise in the school field with spectators singing and beating drums, ready to support their teams.

We had done a lot of practice before so we were ready for the competition. The weather was friendly for races but cold for some of the athletes who came from hot areas. Zuki Primary School players did not have official kits. Instead, they wore different T-shirts and shorts. They did not look as if they were a team.

"Athletes competing in the 400metre race, please come to the starting line," the announcer's voice was heard through the speakers.



13. What is the writer's best sport?

- A. Ballgames
- B. Athletics
- C. Indoor games
- D. Outdoor games

14. According to the passage, why did the teams do warm-up exercises?

- A. It was part of the competition requirement.
- B. Their team coaches asked them to.

C. In preparation for the events.

D. It was a way to alert the body.

15. The best title for the passage above would be

- A. Fun Day.
- B. Athletics Day.
- C. Sports Day.
- D. County competition Day.

Read the passage below. It contains blank spaces numbered 16 – 20. For each blank space, choose the best alternative from the given four.

There are 16 jobs in the world. A few people, 17, think that there are few opportunities 18 employment. Most of those 19 complain have little experience in the jobs they apply for. Fortunately, those who are least qualified are 20 a little effort to get better.

16. A. a lot

B. no

C. a lot of

D. much

17. A. however

B. therefore

C. although

D. so

18. A. of

B. in

C. on

D. for

19. A. whom

B. which

C. who

D. whose

20. A. doing

B. making

C. creating

D. trying

For questions 21 – 28, choose the best alternative to complete the sentence given.

21. I like school. The learners are friendly.

A. these

B. those

C. this

D. which

22. pen in my pocket belongs to me but pens on the table are hers.

A. This, those

B. These, those

C. That, these

D. That, those

23. A of people attended the ceremony.

A. group

B. band

C. congregation

D. crowd

24. Paul was too young to go to the stadium by .

A. herself

B. himself

C. hisself

D. themselves

25. The servers were busy for them to get into a confrontation with him.

A. too

B. so

C. very

D. quite

26. You set the table neatly before serving food.

A. must

B. will

C. should

D. would

27. The children the work before the teacher came.

A. have done

B. do

C. had done

D. doing

28. She was sick she did not go to play.

A. so

B. since

C. although

D. yet

For questions 29, choose the alternative that means the same as the underlined word.

29. The cat ran swiftly after the rat.

A. slowly

B. gradually

C. quickly

D. fast

For questions 30, choose the alternative with the wrongly spelt word.

30. A. Tommorrow

B. Receive

C. Business

D. Immediately

COMPOSITION

Write an interesting composition starting with the following words.

June 25th was the day our basket ball team won against our neighbours school team. I...

Lined area for writing the composition.