

# DISTINCTION GRADE 6 (SIX) KPSEA ASSESSMENT



## MONITORING LEARNER'S PROGRESS GRADE SIX - 2023



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### ENGLISH

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

- Germ : Hello, Bacteria. You seem to be in a hurry. Where are you going?  
Bacteria : Hello Germ. You startled me! I had not seen you.  
Germ : Sorry for that. I did not know that you are so easily scared.  
Bacteria : I am not. It is only that I am running away from the Maneno household.  
Germ : Running away? Why are you running away?  
Bacteria : Well, Mr Maneno has declared war on dirt in his home.  
Germ : What? How are we going to survive?  
Bacteria : He held a family meeting last night during which the drastic plans were made. It was decided that the whole house will be thoroughly cleaned every day. All surfaces will be wiped using a disinfectant and no garbage will be left lying around in the compound.  
Germ : I cannot believe this!  
Bacteria : Moreover, everybody in that house agreed to be bathing daily. They will also be brushing their teeth after every meal. Constant washing of hands with soap and running water will be a must.  
Germ : Well, I cannot survive there either.  
Bacteria : Of course, you cannot! Let us go and look for a new home.  
Germ : Oh, sure!  
Bacteria : Sometimes I am left wondering how these human beings want us to survive.  
Germ : All that we do, we do it in order to survive.  
Bacteria : No wonder every member of our family desires to spread disease and kill all human beings.



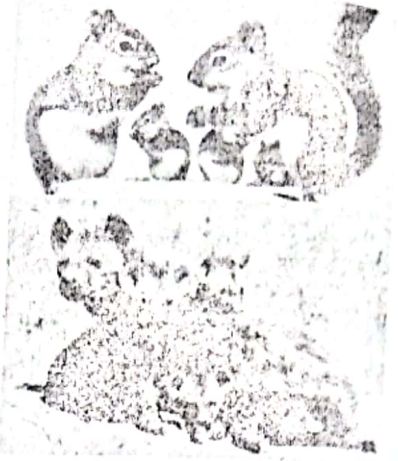
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| <p>1. Why was bacteria startled?<br/>A. Bacteria had not alerted germ that he was coming.<br/>B. Germ was easily scared.<br/>C. Bacteria was already on the run.<br/>D. Germ was not expecting to see Bacteria.</p> <p>2. Which word do you think can replace declare as used in the passage?<br/>A. pronounce<br/>B. utter<br/>C. announce<br/>D. say</p> <p>3. Which one among the following was not among the plans declared by Mr Maneno and family?<br/>A. Wipe surfaces using a disinfectant.<br/>B. Clean the house thoroughly.</p> | <p>C. Turn the entire house upside down.<br/>D. Clear all the garbage lying on the compound.</p> <p>4. According to the passage, if you do not wash hands with soap and running water<br/>A. you live with both germs and bacteria.<br/>B. you are likely to contract diseases.<br/>C. you become a friend of dirt.<br/>D. you die soon.</p> <p>5. From the passage, germs and bacteria are harmful but they<br/>A. only destroy what they need.<br/>B. have no intelligence at all.<br/>C. spread disease in order to stay alive.<br/>D. really have no alternative.</p> |
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**Read the passage below and then answer questions 6 – 9.**

A long time ago, the hyena and the squirrel were great friends and lived in the same homestead. They were wealthy and had many goats, cattle and sheep. The two were herders and took great care of their animals. They grazed them in turns; the hyena would be in the homestead looking after domestic affairs for so many days while the squirrel grazed the animals for so many days.

One day, the hyena began to plan how he might kill the squirrel and own all the animals. Often, when they were in the field together grazing their animals, he would suggest to the squirrel that they should go for a swim in the river. He always hoped to drown the squirrel. Realizing this, the squirrel always avoided swimming near him. The hyena tried all sorts of tricks but his friend was too smart to fall into any of his traps.

When the squirrel realized that the hyena really meant to kill him, he decided to retaliate. One day, hyena was in the field grazing their animals while the squirrel was left to do the house work and cook. Squirrel cooked a very nice dish of meat and the aroma of delicious food could be smelt from afar. He also burnt a small stone red-hot, which he wanted to use to kill the hyena. At sunset, when the herders returned their animals to their homesteads, the squirrel was expecting his friend to bring back their animals and put them in the sheds. Usually, the hyena was very hungry at the end of the day's work and he ate whatever he was given gluttonously. He would complain bitterly if the food was not ready for him. The wise squirrel rolled the stone in the fat. It looked like a huge meat ball. The hyena gobbled it down and ....



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| <p>6. From the first paragraph it is false to say that</p> <p>A. hyena and squirrel lived in the same neighbourhood.</p> <p>B. hyena and squirrel were bosom friends who lived together.</p> <p>C. squirrel and hyena were herders who took great care of their animals.</p> <p>D. the two animals reared sheep, cattle and goats.</p> <p>7. What do you think drove hyena into planning to kill the squirrel?</p> <p>A. power                                  B. envy</p> | <p>C. greed                                  D. wealth</p> <p>8. The word retaliate has been used to mean</p> <p>A. drown</p> <p>B. revenge</p> <p>C. kill</p> <p>D. hit somebody hard</p> <p>9. What lesson do we learn from the passage?</p> <p>A. It is not good to kill others.</p> <p>B. Taking revenge is not allowed.</p> <p>C. Cooking delicious food can be poisonous.</p> <p>D. Our behaviour can sometimes lead us into trouble.</p> |
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**Read the passage below and then answer questions 10 - 12**

Outdoor games are played outside or in open spaces. They include football, basketball, tennis, swimming and races. There are several benefits of engaging in outdoor games.

First, studies have shown that learners do better in the classroom after playing outdoors. The fresh air inhaled as they move their bodies increases their energy levels. This makes them more alert and helps them concentrate better in class. Playing outdoors also gives one the opportunity to enjoy the free and natural vitamin D from the sun. Vitamin D promotes the absorption of calcium and phosphorous, which are important for maintaining strong and healthy bones. However, it is not advisable to spend too many hours in the sun.

Outdoor games lead to improved mental health. While playing indoors, you tend to see the same things over and over again. This can be quite boring. On the other hand, playing outside offers more things to see, feel, hear and smell. There is the fresh air, trees, the sky, the wind, birds and changing landscape. All these help us to feel better and calm our bodies and minds.

Outdoor games also increase body fitness through physical exercises. Different games tend to work different muscles in the body. The more we engage in outdoor games, the fitter we become, which is good for our overall health.



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| <p>10. Games played in open spaces are referred to as</p> <p>A. outdoor games                  B. ballgames</p> <p>C. races                                  D. indoor games</p> <p>11. Which one among the following is not a benefit of outdoor games?</p> <p>A. Learners become alert and concentrate in class.</p> <p>B. Learners enjoy free and natural vitamin D.</p> | <p>C. They lead to improved mental health.</p> <p>D. They increase fitness and physical exercise.</p> <p>12. The best title for the passage above would be</p> <p>A. Why we should play.</p> <p>B. How to improve in the outdoor games.</p> <p>C. The benefits of outdoor games.</p> <p>D. The games played in open spaces.</p> |
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**Read the passage below and then answer questions 13 - 15.**

We were excited to travel to Nairobi. It was the first time to travel to a city for most of us. We looked forward to seeing the road signs most of which, we had only seen in our books. The journey began early because the driver did not want to speed. Our teacher had told us that it is difficult for a speeding vehicle to brake. Such a vehicle can lose control and skid leading to a fatal accident.

After about two hours, we arrived at Shuka Shopping Centre. The bus slowed down so much that we asked the driver to increase the speed. Mrs Mwendo explained to us that we had reached a Zebra Crossing and had to allow pedestrians to cross. We apologized for our impatience. We even praised the driver for being careful. The driver smiled and reminded us that prevention is better than cure.

After a kilometre from Shuka Shopping Centre, our vehicle was stopped by a police officer. He greeted us happily and asked us if the driver cared for our safety. We answered that he not only cared for our safety but also for the safety of the pedestrians. With a big smile, the officer asked the driver for the driving licence. He gave it to him willingly. The officer examined it for a few minutes before giving it back to him. The officer wished us a safe journey and walked away.

13. Why do most speeding vehicles cause fatal accidents?  
 A. Their brakes fail.  
 B. They easily lose control and skid.  
 C. The driver becomes confused with so many vehicles around.  
 D. The passengers control the driver.
14. Who do you think Mrs Mwendo was?  
 A. The tour guide.  
 B. The driver.  
 C. The bus conductor.

- D. The teacher accompanying the learners.
15. How do we know that the driver of the vehicle was highly skilled?  
 A. He not only cared for the safety of his passengers but also for other road users.  
 B. He only cared about the students he was carrying.  
 C. His documents were in order.  
 D. He oiled the palms of the police officer who stopped them.

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

Does taking drugs solve \_\_16\_\_ of our problems? Far from it! In fact, using drugs \_\_17\_\_ causes more problems in addition to the ones the person \_\_18\_\_ in the first place. A person \_\_19\_\_ uses drugs frequently can become dependent on them, or in other words, \_\_20\_\_.

16. A. some                      B. many                      C. any                      D. all  
 17. A. often                      B. oftenly                      C. never                      D. rarely  
 18. A. heard                      B. hard                      C. herd                      D. had  
 19. A. whom                      B. who                      C. whose                      D. which  
 20. A. addicted                      B. addictive                      C. addicting                      D. addictor

**For questions 21 and 22, choose the best alternative to complete the sentence given.**

21. There were \_\_\_ chairs for all the guests.  
 A. a lot                      B. enough  
 C. some                      D. much
22. It is advisable to create \_\_\_ time for your studies.  
 A. some                      B. any  
 C. enough                      D. each

**For questions 23 and 24, identify the type of noun underlined in each sentence.**

23. My desk has been broken into and various things stolen.  
 A. common                      B. abstract  
 C. proper                      D. concrete
24. Patience in all that you do normally pays.  
 A. proper                      B. abstract  
 C. concrete                      D. common

**For questions 25 and 26, choose the best preposition to complete the given sentence.**

25. The thief jumped \_\_\_ the wall to escape.  
 A. into                      B. across  
 C. over                      D. through
26. The new class manager is popular \_\_\_ his learners.  
 A. with                      B. among  
 C. in                      D. from

**For questions 27 and 28, choose the best alternative to complete the given sentence.**

27. Mother bought apples, oranges, tomatoes \_\_\_ bananas.  
 A. or                      B. with  
 C. but                      D. and
28. She did well in her national assessment \_\_\_ she was sick.  
 A. although                      B. however  
 C. but                      D. and

**For questions 29 and 30, choose the alternative with the correctly punctuated sentence.**

29. A. Our drama teacher came late for practice?  
 B. Our drama teacher came late for practice!  
 C. Our drama teacher came late for practice.  
 D. Our drama teacher came late for practice,
30. A. She cleaned the house didn't she.  
 B. She cleaned the house, didn't she?  
 C. She cleaned the house. Didn't she?  
 D. She cleaned the house, didnt she?

