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INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES (Please read these instructions carefully)

1. You have been given this question paper and a separate answer sheet. The question paper contains 50 questions divided into **three** parts: **Part I**, **Part II** and **Part III**. Answer **ALL** the questions in **Part I** and **Part II**. **Part III** consists of three sections: **CRE**, **IRE** and **HRE**. Choose the section that you have registered for and answer **ALL** the questions.
2. Do any necessary rough work in this question paper.
3. When you have chosen your answer, mark it on the **ANSWER SHEET**, **NOT** in this question paper

HOW TO USE THE ANSWER SHEET

4. Keep the answer sheet clean and do not fold it.
5. Use an ordinary (HB) pencil.
6. Confirm that the answer sheet that you have been provided with has the following:



YOUR ASSESSMENT NUMBER

YOUR NAME

NAME OF YOUR SCHOOL

NAME OF SUBJECT

7. For each of the questions, 1 – 50, four choices are given. The choices are lettered **A**, **B**, **C** and **D**. The letters are written inside circles. In each case, only **ONE** of the four choices is correct. Choose the correct answer.
8. On the answer sheet, show the correct answer by completely shading inside the circle which has the letter you have chosen.
9. Do not make any marks outside the circles. **Be sure of your answer before shading the circle.**

Example

In the Question Paper:

23. Juma, a businessman, is planning to transport fresh fish from Kisumu to sell in Mombasa. Which is the fastest form of transport for him to use?

- A. Road
- B. Railway
- C. Air
- D. Water

The correct answer is C

On the answer sheet

In the set of circles numbered **23**, **shade** inside the circle with the letter C printed in it, as indicated below

23. ☐ A ☐ B ☒ C ☐ D

10. Your **shading MUST** be inside the circle.
11. For each question, shade **ONLY ONE** circle.

This question paper consists of 10 printed pages.

Candidates should check the question paper to ascertain that all the pages are printed as indicated and that no questions are missing.



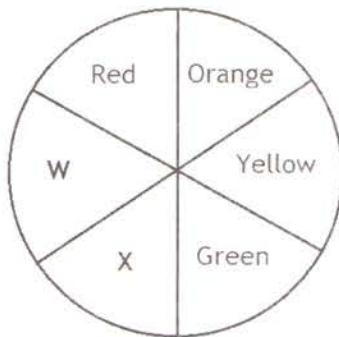
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PART I: CREATIVE ARTS

1. The following chart shows primary and secondary colours.



Name the colours in the parts labelled **W** and **X**.

	W	X
A.	Orange	Yellow
B.	Purple	Blue
C.	Orange	Blue
D.	Yellow	Purple

2. Which of the following statements is **not** true about the Kenya National Anthem? It promotes

- A. hard work
- B. patriotism
- C. individualism
- D. teamwork.

3. When playing a game, players aim at scoring. Which of the following games is **correctly** matched with the name of the score?

- A. Netball - Point
- B. Volleyball - Goal
- C. Soccer - Goal
- D. Handball - Point

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4. Which of the choices shows the **correct** steps followed when carrying out crayon etching?

- A. Scratch, apply black ink, colour with crayons.
- B. Apply black ink, scratch, colour with crayons.
- C. Apply black ink, colour with crayons, scratch.
- D. Colour with crayons, apply black ink, scratch.

5. Which of the following is **not** a Kenyan indigenous wind instrument?

- A. *Asili*
- B. *Chivoti*
- C. *Ishiriri*
- D. *Muturiri*

6. A netball coach trained players on the correct skills to apply when catching the ball. Which of the following skills did the coach emphasise?

- A. Hands should be held tightly together, and arms stretched.
- B. Feet should always be put together to increase the body stability.
- C. Fingers for both hands should be spread out to enhance ball grip.
- D. The palms of both hands should be facing the direction of the ball.

7. A learner collected dry grass, banana fibre, glue and a board to make a picture.

Which of the following techniques should the learner use to make the picture?

- A. Collage
- B. Montage
- C. Mosaic
- D. Painting

8. Which of the following is **not** a role played by instruments in a Kenyan folk dance?

- A. Accompany the performance.
- B. Decorate performers.
- C. Play interludes.
- D. Play melodies.

9. Grade 6 learners were making improvised skipping ropes during a lesson.

Which of the following actions should the learners take after the lesson to conserve the environment?

- A. Use the improvised ropes to practise rope jumping skills.
- B. Display the improvised ropes for others to see.
- C. Clean up the area and dispose of any leftover materials.
- D. Hang the ropes properly in the class to avoid any damage.

10. The role of colour in an ornament is to

- A. make it look smooth
- B. make it beautiful
- C. give it texture
- D. make it durable.

11. Juma sang a song with the phrase '*Kenya nchi yangu, naipenda duma*'. What type of song did Juma sing?

- A. Folk song.
- B. Patriotic song.
- C. Religious song.
- D. Topical song.

12. The following picture shows a high jump technique.



What is the name of the technique?

- A. Scissor style.
- B. Vaulting style.
- C. Straddle style.
- D. One leg style.



13. How can the value of a colour be made lighter when painting using wash technique?

- A. Reduce the amount of water mixed into the paint.
- B. Paint a dark color in an adjacent area.
- C. Thin the paint with water.
- D. Mix the colour with its complement.

14. *Tempo* in music refers to the

- A. fastness or slowness of music
- B. highness or lowness of sound
- C. loudness or softness of sound
- D. simultaneous sounding of notes.

15. During a class discussion, four learners gave the following descriptions of the sail technique in long jump. Which learner gave the **correct** description?

- A. Learner 1: Cycling of arms and legs while in flight phase of long jump.
- B. Learner 2: Stretching and lengthening of the body while in the air in preparation for landing.
- C. Learner 3: Lifting the legs and stretching hands into a toe touching position after taking off.
- D. Learner 4: Gaining speed and taking off from one foot at the take-off board.

16. Which of the following statements is **not** true about indigenous Kenyan crafts? They
- are source of income
 - represent different cultures
 - cause differences in society
 - are used for decoration.

17. Which French rhythm names correspond with the following rhythmic pattern?



- Ta-te Taa Taa Taa-aa
 - Taa-aa ta-te Taa Taa
 - Taa-aa Taa Taa ta-te
 - Ta-te ta-te Taa Taa
18. Four members of a discussion group gave various statements about crab balance in gymnastics. Which member gave the **correct** answer?
- Member 1: The body of the performer is supported by the legs only.
 - Member 2: The stomach faces down during the performance.
 - Member 3: The performer lies flat on the ground while facing up.
 - Member 4: The performer is supported by both hands and feet.
19. Which of the following is a safety measure that should be observed when handling dye?
- Wear warm clothes.
 - Work in an open space.
 - Use double containers.
 - Work in a closed room.
20. Which of the following is **not** a way of tuning Kenyan indigenous string instruments?
- Adjusting the position of the bridge.
 - Tightening and loosening of knobs.
 - Tightening and loosening of laces.
 - Tightening and loosening of pegs.

21. Learners watched a video of a gymnast performing a side roll technique. Which part of the body touched the ground during the performance?

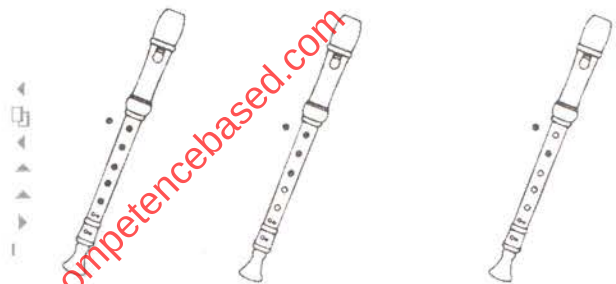
- Head
- Shoulder
- Neck
- Stomach

22. The purpose of a theatre in a puppet show is to

- display the puppeteer
- record a video
- increase puppeteer's voice
- create scenery.

23. Which letter names are represented by the following fingering of a descant recorder?

(i) (ii) (iii)



- (i) C (ii) G (iii) E
- (i) E (ii) C (iii) G
- (i) E (ii) G (iii) C
- (i) G (ii) E (iii) C

24. There are various equipment used in a game of volleyball. Which of the following equipment is matched with its correct use?

- Net – To keep spectators away.
- Whistle – To start and stop the game.
- Antenna – To show where the service takes place.
- The ball – To determine the period of play.

25. Why is focus an important element in photography? It

- makes images sharp
- reduces light
- reduces the colour
- makes images blurred.



26. Which of the following sounds does **not** maintain a steady beat? Sound from
- a clock
 - an ambulance siren
 - a posho mill
 - a crowing cock.

27. During a game of rounders, John was eliminated from the game while running from one base to the other. John was eliminated because he
- ran back to a base
 - was tagged with a ball
 - ran too fast to the base
 - ran past home plate.

28. A learner wants to make a mitre joint using the following pieces of wood.



Which two materials should the learner use to make the joint strong?

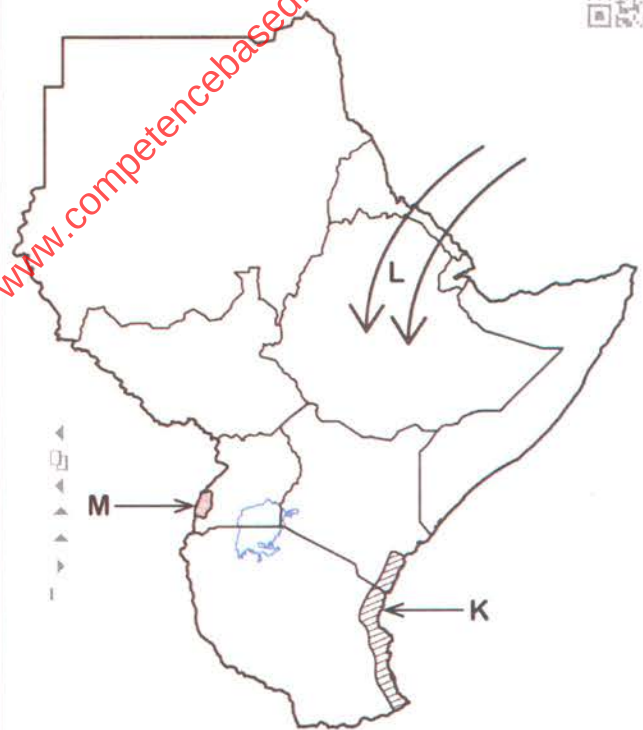
- Glue and strings.
 - Glue and nails.
 - Strings and nails.
 - Metal and strings.
29. Which of the following elements of music is **not** correctly matched with the given description?
- Dynamics - loud and soft
 - Melody - pitch and rhythm
 - Form - order and arrangement
 - Texture - pulse and speed

30. Your team has been advised to observe safety measures when playing a volleyball match to avoid injuries. Which of the following is a safety measure that the team should observe?

- Use a new brightly coloured ball for visibility.
- Wear clean uniform and wash hands after the match.
- Ensure that the playing field is flat and free of objects.
- Lower the net so that players can pass the ball over it easily.

PART II - SOCIAL STUDIES

Study the following map of Eastern Africa and use it to answer questions 31 to 33.

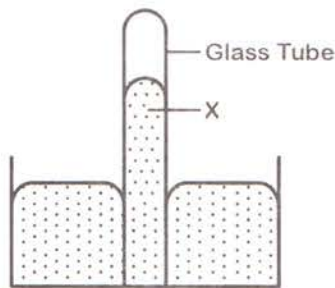


31. Identify the shaded climatic region marked **K**.
- Desert
 - Maritime
 - Sub-tropical
 - Modified equatorial

32. Which language group migrated to Eastern Africa through the route marked **L**?
- Nilotes
 - Semites
 - Bantus
 - Cushites

33. Identify the national park marked **M**.
- Ruwenzori
 - Kibale
 - Queen Elizabeth
 - Murchison falls

34. The following diagram shows an instrument used to measure an element of weather.



The substance marked **X** is

- water
 - alcohol
 - spirit
 - mercury.
35. The highlands of Eastern Africa have high population density. The high population density in these areas is likely to
- improve standards of living
 - increase agricultural production
 - increase urban to rural migration
 - increase labour supply.

36. Grade 6 learners visited a horticultural farm near their school. Which of the following group of crops are they likely to find?
- Cabbages, roses, pineapples.
 - Maize, oranges, carrots.
 - Tomatoes, grapes, wheat.
 - Onions, kales, cotton.

37. While reading about tourism, a learner found out that the number of tourists who visited Eastern Africa in 2020 and 2021 reduced drastically. What was the likely cause of the decline?
- Threat of terrorism.
 - Prolonged drought.
 - COVID-19 pandemic.
 - Tribal clashes.

38. Rashid was taken to the Chief Magistrate's court by a neighbour over a disagreement on land boundary.

Which type of conflict resolution was applied in this case?

- Arbitration
- Reconciliation
- Litigation
- Mediation

39. The county governments in Kenya should **mainly** spend their revenue on
- paying water bills
 - paying salaries for county workers
 - meeting workers' transport costs
 - implementing development projects.

40. You interacted with an audio-visual clip on the Preamble of the Kenyan Constitution. Which of the following is a **key** word in the preamble?
- Honesty
 - Courage
 - Honouring
 - Responsibility



SECTION A

CHRISTIAN RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

41. Children participate in different activities at home. Which of the following activities is likely to promote unity in the family?
- Visiting friends in their homes.
 - Watching television with their classmates.
 - Looking after younger brothers or sisters.
 - Playing games with their friends.
42. You read a story in the Bible in which Samson defeated the Philistines using a donkey's jawbone. What made Samson to defeat the Philistines?
- The power of God was upon him.
 - He was a skilled fighter.
 - He had a strong army.
 - His enemies did not resist him.
43. You read the Bible about King Belshazzar's party and the strange writing on the wall. Who among the following prophets interpreted the writing on the wall for the King?
- Elijah
 - Isaiah
 - Jeremiah
 - Daniel
44. The raising of Lazarus from the dead was one of the miracles that Jesus performed. Why did Jesus perform this miracle? To
- comfort mourners
 - reveal the glory of God
 - please Mary and Martha
 - show that he loved Lazarus.
45. A christian value that learners acquire from the miracle in which Jesus healed the ten lepers is
- unity
 - faithfulness
 - thankfulness
 - self-control.
46. Jesus shared the Last Supper with his disciples **mainly** to
- prepare the disciples for his death
 - identify the disciple who would betray him
 - warn the disciples of the coming persecution
 - choose a leader from among them.
47. Christians should bear the fruits of the Holy Spirit in order to live a Godly life. Which of the following is one of the fruits that a Christian should bear?
- Courage
 - Wisdom
 - Healing
 - Gentleness
48. A common practice that was carried out in the Early Church and is still being practised in the church in Kenya today is
- making sacrifices
 - helping the needy
 - building schools
 - giving loans to Christians.
49. Your classmate is becoming shy due to the changes occurring in her body as a result of adolescence. Choose the **best** groups of people she can seek advice from.
- Classmates and friends.
 - Doctors and nurses.
 - House helps and neighbours.
 - Parents and teachers.

50. You saw some boys from your class smoking cigarettes as they went home in the evening. What is the **best** action for you to take?

- A. Report them to the chief.
- B. Tell your classmates about it.
- C. Tell them the dangers of their habit.
- D. Warn them that cigarettes are expensive.



SECTION B ISLAMIC RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

41. Grade 4 learners recited the verse,

'Al-ladhi yuwaswisu fi sudurin naas'.

The meaning of the verse is:

- A. 'who whispers evil into the heart of mankind'
- B. 'from among the Jinn and mankind'
- C. 'from the evil of the whisperer'
- D. 'the God of mankind'.

42. As Muslims, we learn that gathering a lot of wealth and concentrating on worldly things will not benefit us. This lesson is found in Surah

- A. *Al-Kauthar* and *Al-Maun*
- B. *Al-Kauthar* and *At-Takathur*
- C. *Al-Humazah* and *At-Takathur*
- D. *Al-Humazah* and *Al-Qariah*.

43. A teacher observed the following as his learners took lunch:

- Ali: said Bismillah before eating
- Musa: ate with his right hand
- Said: ate while the food was very hot
- Salim: ate what was nearest to him on the plate

Who among the learners did **not** apply the etiquette of eating according to the Hadith of the Prophet (P.b.u.h)?

- A. Ali.
- B. Musa.
- C. Said.
- D. Salim.

44. Grade 5 learners were searching for information about miracles of the prophets from the internet.

Which of the following miracles they found was performed by Prophet Isa?

- A. Surviving a blazing fire.
- B. Changing a stick into a snake.
- C. Splitting the sea into two.
- D. Bringing the dead to life.

45. The Zakat Foundation in your community can give *zakat* to the following people **except**

- A. old people
- B. converts
- C. those in debt
- D. the poor.

46. Teacher Amina displayed flash cards showing the following acts:

- (i) talking
- (ii) intentional vomiting
- (iii) passing wind
- (iv) menstruation

Which two of the acts nullify both *Swalah* and *Saum*?

- A. (ii) and (iii).
- B. (ii) and (iv).
- C. (i) and (iv).
- D. (i) and (iii).

47. Amina was annoyed by her classmate while performing a group assignment. She remained calm and continued doing the assignment.

The virtue that Amina demonstrated is

- A. *sabr*
- B. *adala*
- C. *taqwa*
- D. *tawakkul*.

48. Salima left home for school. Which of the following is the **correct** *dua* that she recited before leaving?
- In the name of Allah the Most Merciful the Most Beneficent.
 - Glory to Him who has brought this under our control.
 - In the name of Allah we leave, enter and upon Him we depend.
 - Oh Allah make what you teach me beneficial.
49. An obligation that your father should fulfil towards you is to
- visit you in school
 - pay your school fees
 - buy for you new shoes
 - buy for you presents.
50. The second pledge of *Aqabah* played an important role in the development of Islam because it led to the
- migration to Abbyssinia
 - conquest of Makkah
 - peace treaty of Hudaibiyya
 - migration to Madina.

SECTION C HINDU RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

41. Grade 6 learners visited a *Sanatan mandir* and witnessed the ceremony of *Havan* being performed. The **most** important element of *Panch mahabhoot* in performing *Hawan* is
- Jal*
 - Vayu*
 - Agni*
 - Akash*.

42. Grade 6 learners painted a lotus flower as an important creation of *Parmatma*. Lotus flower is a symbol of
- detachment
 - beauty
 - colour
 - adaptability.
43. Guru Arjan Devji played a very significant part in the Sikh faith as he
- began the practice of the Guru Langar
 - completed the building of the Golden Temple
 - showed devotees the correct way to worship
 - compiled a code of conduct.
44. Swami Narayan has made important contributions to the modern society. Which of the following is the **most** outstanding contribution of Swami Narayan Bhagwan? He
- built many temples
 - emphasized that *yajnas* should be performed
 - wrote *shikshapatri*, a book of social conduct
 - promoted education as basic right for all.
45. A young man, Eklavya, learnt archery secretly from Guru Dhronacharya and gave reverence to a sculpture of the Guru. Guru Dhronacharya found out that Eklavya was very good in archery and better than his top student, Arjun. To keep his top student, he asked Eklavya for Guru Dakshina which Eklavya willingly gave. What did Eklavya give?
- Bow and arrow.
 - Ornaments.
 - His right hand thumb.
 - Robe.



46. Devotees of different faiths remove their footwear at the entrance of their places of worship and prayer halls to
- feel comfortable without their footwear
 - just follow what others do
 - keep shoes from being stolen
 - maintain the cleanliness of the place.
47. A villager lost his cows and was very upset. While searching for them, he came to where Lord Buddha was giving a discourse to his followers. He began shouting at Lord Buddha for no reason. The villager getting no response from Lord Buddha calmed down. By keeping quiet and calm, Lord Buddha practised the principle of right
- concentration
 - action
 - view
 - speech.
48. One day Sarla was going back home from school with her friends. She noticed an old blind woman waiting to cross the road. She quickly went to the old woman and helped her to cross the road. By doing this, Sarla practised the principle of
- purushartha*
 - ahinsa*
 - vande shakhna*
 - aparigraha*.

49. The following statements describe a festival.
- Prayers are offered to Laxmi Devi.
 - Homes are lighted with *deepaks*.
 - Places of worship are visited.
 - Donations are given.
 - New clothes are worn.
 - Gifts are exchanged.
 - Fun fairs are organized.

The festival described is

- janmashtami*
- holi*
- navratri*
- diwali*.

50. A *yoga* instructor was invited to Karuna Primary School to talk about *yoga*. During his talk, he emphasized **two** basic requirements for performing *yoga*.



These are

- new clothes and *yoga* mat
- soft drinks and light snacks
- balanced diet and right attire
- good lighting and furniture.

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