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GRADE SEVEN COMPOSITE EXAMINATION – 2022

English Language

SUBJECT 1/1

90 MINUTES

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- 1 Read these instructions carefully.
- 2 **Do not** turn this page before you are told to do so. Your teacher will tell you when to turn this page to begin answering the questions.
- 3 This paper is divided into 2 sections: A and B. Section A has 4 parts while Section B has 2 parts. There are **60** questions in this paper. **Answer all.**
- 4 For each question, four answers are given, but only one of the four is right. Work out which one is the **best** answer. Then, on your **Answer Sheet**, mark the box completely by shading the answer space of the letter of your choice. If you chose answer D for a question, you would show it like this:-



- 5 You must **SHADE** your answer spaces **completely** and **darkly** using an HB pencil. If you have to change your answer, you must rub out the shading **very neatly** before shading the new one. **Use a clean rubber.**
- 6 When you have finished one page, go **straight** on without waiting to be told. If you have time left at the end of the Question Paper, use it to check your work carefully.
- 7 Look at your **Answer Sheet**. On the top left hand side are boxes which should have, Examination Year, your School Number and Examination Number. It should also say **Subject 1 Paper 1**.
- 8 Look at your **Answer Sheet** again. At the **bottom** left hand side, it should have your Surname, Forename, Subject – **English Language**, Name of Primary School and your Secondary School of choice.
- 9 **Put up your hand now if:** You have any question.
You have a wrong Answer Sheet.

You will **NOT** be able to ask questions once the examination has begun.

DO NOT TURN THIS PAGE UNTIL YOU ARE TOLD.
USE ONLY AN HB PENCIL FOR YOUR ANSWERS.

SECTION A

Part 1: Questions 1 – 20

Each question contains a sentence from which a word or group of words is missing in the space shown. Below each sentence are four words or groups of words. **Only one of the words or group of words will make the sentence right.** You have to choose it.

Example:

Algeria is the ... country in Africa.

- A more large
- B large
- C largest
- D larger

The answer **C** – largest – is the only one that can fit in the sentence. The complete sentence is: 'Algeria is the largest country in Africa.'

Now do questions 1 – 20

- 1 Kapalu is the ... boy in our class.
 - A younger
 - B youngest
 - C more young
 - D most young
- 2 My cat had been ... on the sofa.
 - A sleep
 - B sleeping
 - C sleeps
 - D slept
- 3 Libala sees ... as a future surgeon.
 - A himself
 - B itself
 - C themselves
 - D yourselves
- 4 Kavuyi walked ... into the room.
 - A quietly
 - B quietest
 - C quieter
 - D quiet

- 5 Kalwe picked up the key ... she found on the road.
- A whom
 - B who
 - C which
 - D what
- 6 My father and I will be going to Lusaka ... Sunday evening.
- A at
 - B in
 - C on
 - D to
- 7 Musowe's performance at school is not good. It is ... average.
- A beneath
 - B below
 - C behind
 - D across
- 8 Mr Mundia was fast asleep ... the thieves broke in.
- A although
 - B and
 - C when
 - D yet
- 9 Geoffrey normally has ... lunch at 12 00 hours.
- A his
 - B he's
 - C its
 - D their
- 10 Zambia has been a ... country for many years.
- A more peaceful
 - B most peaceful
 - C peaceful
 - D peacefully
- 11 The guest of honour was presented with a ... of flowers.
- A bouquet
 - B heap
 - C stack
 - D tuft

- 12** He travelled the whole night ... he reached.
- A** but
 - B** unless
 - C** until
 - D** while
- 13** It is not advisable to use the phone ... it is charging.
- A** and
 - B** because
 - C** since
 - D** while
- 14** ... Mwape attend classes these days?
- A** Did
 - B** Didn't
 - C** Do
 - D** Does
- 15** Mr Bantubonse still ... for Food Reserve Agency.
- A** work
 - B** works
 - C** working
 - D** worked
- 16** The family members shared the property of their uncle ... themselves.
- A** amongst
 - B** around
 - C** between
 - D** to
- 17** The shepherd will bring his ... tomorrow.
- A** swarm
 - B** shoal
 - C** pride
 - D** flock
- 18** Most of the learners come ... dressed to school on Mondays.
- A** smart
 - B** smarter
 - C** smartly
 - D** smartest

19 There is a meeting for the ... of directors at 15 00 hours today.

- A band
- B board
- C class
- D gang

20 Jack is ... than James.

- A handsome
- B least handsome
- C more handsome
- D most handsome

Part 2: Questions 21 – 25

Each question has a sentence with one word missing. Below each sentence are four words. **Choose the word that is correctly spelt.**

Example:

The total eclipse of the sun ... in the year 2001.

- A occurred
- B occured
- C ocurred
- D ocured

The answer **A** – occurred – is the only one that is correctly spelt. The complete sentence is: The total eclipse of the sun occurred in the year 2001.

Now do questions 21 – 25

21 Washing our hands regularly helps us ... cholera.

- A privent
- B prevent
- C prevant
- D perevent

22 The police officer asked for my ...

- A documents
- B documments
- C documments
- D dorcuments

23 My ... does not go to school.

- A necie
- B neice
- C nicee
- D niece

24 Brenda shared her ... with the people that helped her.

- A grattitulde
- B gratittude
- C gratitude
- D gratitulde

25 The ... coach took the team for training this morning.

- A asistant
- B assestant
- C -asistent
- D assistant

Part 3: Questions 26 – 30

In each question, there are four sentences that are almost the same, but only one has the correct punctuation marks. **Choose the sentence which is correctly punctuated.**

Example:

- A "Snake! Saboh yelled."
- B "Snake!" Saboh yelled.
- C Snake! Saboh yelled.
- D "Snake." Saboh yelled.

The Answer **B** – "Snake!" Saboh yelled. – is the only sentence that is correctly punctuated.

Now do questions 26 - 30

- 26
- A "Are you sick?" Chansa asked Kangwa.
 - B "Are you sick, Chansa asked Kangwa.
 - C "Are you sick"? Chansa asked Kangwa
 - D Are you sick?" Chansa asked Kangwa.

- 27
- A technology has brought more good than harm.
 - B Technology has brought more good than harm?
 - C Technology has brought more good than harm.
 - D technology has brought more good than harm!

- 28
- A Some people fail examinations several times, yet they do not give up
 - B Some people fail examinations several times yet they do not give up?
 - C Some people fail examinations several times, yet they do not give up.
 - D Some people, fail examinations several times yet, they do not give up.

- 29 A Your aunts, uncles and cousins are all your relatives?
 B Your aunts, uncles and cousins, are all your relatives!
 C Your aunts, uncles and cousins are all your relatives.
 D Your aunts, uncles and cousins are all your relatives
- 30 A "Wow, exclaimed Mumba, what an awesome idea!"
 B "Wow!" exclaimed Mumba. "What an awesome idea!"
 C "Wow," exclaimed Mumba. "What an awesome idea."
 D "Wow! exclaimed Mumba, what an awesome idea."

Part 4: Questions 31 – 38

Each question has a word, a group of words, or a sentence underlined. Below each question are four words or parts of a sentence. **Only one of these gives the right meaning of the word or group of words underlined.** You have to choose the correct meaning.

Example:

We travelled by bus on a stony road. The word **stony** means ...

- A blocked by stones.
 B covered by stones only.
 C made of stones.
 D plenty of stones.

The answer **D** – plenty of stones – is the only answer that gives the right meaning of the word 'stony'.

Now do questions 31 - 38

- 31 Unfortunately, Kaseki has multiple sexual partners. This sentence means that Kaseki has ...
- A four partners only.
 B more than one partner.
 C one partner only.
 D only three partners.
- 32 The teacher predicted that most of the learners would pass the examination. To **predict** is to tell that something ...
- A has happened.
 B happened in the past.
 C is happening now.
 D will happen in the future.

- 33 Both girls and boys have the right to privacy. This sentence means that ...
- A only girls have the right to privacy..
 - B only boys have the right to privacy.
 - C girls as well as boys have the right to privacy.
 - D boys have more rights to privacy than girls.
- 34 I wish I had gone to school. This sentence means that I ...
- A did not go to school.
 - B was about to go to school.
 - C went to school.
 - D will go to school.
- 35 I am certain that he is going to pass. The word **certain** means ...
- A afraid.
 - B doubting.
 - C surprised.
 - D sure.
- 36 The teacher told the learners to carry-on with their work. **Carry-on** means...
- A continue.
 - B delay.
 - C start.
 - D stop.
- 37 Some police officers were informed of a planned bank robbery. Therefore, on the day of the robbery, the thieves were arrested for robbing a supermarket. Indeed there is no smoke without fire. The underlined part means that there ...
- A are lies in what people say.
 - B is doubt in what people say.
 - C is some truth in what people say.
 - D is usually no truth in what people say.
- 38 Today's agenda is very short. The word **agenda** means ...
- A suggestion.
 - B programme.
 - C meeting.
 - D ideas.

SECTION B**Part 1: Questions 39 – 45**

Each question has four paragraphs. You must choose the paragraph which has the **sentences in the best order**.

Example:

- A** The boat moved away in complete darkness. As the boat got away from the land, wind started blowing. The water became rough and shortly it started raining. It was a heavy rainstorm.
- B** It was a heavy rainstorm. The boat moved away in complete darkness. The water became rough and shortly it started raining. As the boat got away from the land, wind started blowing.
- C** The boat moved away in complete darkness. It was a heavy rainstorm. As the boat got away from the land, wind started blowing. The water became rough and shortly it started raining.
- D** The boat moved away in complete darkness. The water became rough and shortly it started raining. It was a heavy rainstorm. As the boat got away from the land, wind started blowing.

The best answer is **A** because the paragraph has all the sentences in the correct order.

Now do questions 39 – 45

- 39 A** This system was used in primitive societies. A long time ago before money was invented, people used to exchange goods for goods. This was called the barter system. Today, money is more widely used than the barter system.
- B** This was called the barter system. Today, money is more widely used than the barter system. This system was used in primitive societies. A long time ago before money was invented, people used to exchange goods for goods.
- C** A long time ago before money was invented, people used to exchange goods for goods. This was called the barter system. This system was used in primitive societies. Today, money is more widely used than the barter system.
- D** A long time ago before money was invented, people used to exchange goods for goods. This was called the barter system. Today, money is more widely used than the barter system. This system was used in primitive societies.

- 40 A** Despite all these hardships and setbacks, she worked hard in school and got outstanding results. Now she is a pilot and is supporting members of her extended family. She was the only child that her parents had. When she was ten years old, her parents died. She was brought up at an orphanage. Mwaba was born into a poor family.
- B** Mwaba was born into a poor family. When she was ten years old, her parents died. Despite all these hardships and setbacks, she worked hard in school and got outstanding results. She was brought up at an orphanage. She was the only child that her parents had. Now she is a pilot and is supporting members of her extended family.
- C** Now she is a pilot and is supporting members of her extended family. She was brought up at an orphanage. When she was ten years old, her parents died. Despite all these hardships and setbacks, she worked hard in school and got outstanding results. Mwaba was born into a poor family. She was the only child that her parents had.
- D** Mwaba was born into a poor family. She was the only child that her parents had. When she was ten years old, her parents died. She was brought up at an orphanage. Despite all these hardships and setbacks, she worked hard in school and got outstanding results. Now she is a pilot and is supporting members of her extended family.
- 41 A** One day when I was in town, I bought a storybook from Bookworld. It cost fifty kwacha. It is a very interesting book. It was written by a Zambian author.
- B** One day when I was in town, I bought a storybook from Bookworld. It is a very interesting book. It was written by a Zambian author. It cost fifty kwacha.
- C** It cost fifty kwacha. It was written by a Zambian author. One day when I was in town, I bought a storybook from Bookworld. It is a very interesting book.
- D** It cost fifty kwacha. It is a very interesting book. It was written by a Zambian author. One day when I was in town, I bought a storybook from Bookworld.
- 42 A** Her two friends, Joris and Hildah, who lived in the next street decided to go with her. They too had a few things to buy. The girls enjoyed shopping at the market, particularly at the shopping mall. One morning, Alice went shopping in Lusaka.
- B** They too had a few things to buy. One morning, Alice went shopping in Lusaka. The girls enjoyed shopping at the market, particularly at the shopping mall. Her two friends, Joris and Hildah, who lived in the next street decided to go with her.

- C** One morning, Alice went shopping in Lusaka. They too had a few things to buy. Her two friends, Joris and Hildah, who lived in the next street decided to go with her. The girls enjoyed shopping at the market, particularly at the shopping mall.
- D** One morning, Alice went shopping in Lusaka. Her two friends, Joris and Hildah, who lived in the next street decided to go with her. They too had a few things to buy. The girls enjoyed shopping at the market, particularly at the shopping mall.
- 43 A** An ambition is a desire that a person has to achieve something. There are different types of ambitions. Some ambitions are achieved over a short period of time while other ambitions are achieved over a long period of time.
- B** Some ambitions are achieved over a short period of time while other ambitions are achieved over a long period of time. An ambition is a desire that a person has to achieve something. There are different types of ambitions.
- C** An ambition is a desire that a person has to achieve something. Some ambitions are achieved over a short period of time while other ambitions are achieved over a long period of time. There are different types of ambitions.
- D** There are different types of ambitions. Some ambitions are achieved over a short period of time while other ambitions are achieved over a long period of time. An ambition is a desire that a person has to achieve something.
- 44 A** Ants work together to develop their colony because they have no politics, only leadership. Every day, I wake up and check on the ants at a nearby anthill. I always find them developing their colony. It makes me think twice as I compare it with people.
- B** Every day, I wake up and check on the ants at a nearby anthill. I always find them developing their colony. It makes me think twice as I compare it with people. Ants work together to develop their colony because they have no politics, only leadership.
- C** Every day, I wake up and check on the ants at a nearby anthill. It makes me think twice as I compare it with people. Ants work together to develop their colony because they have no politics, only leadership. I always find them developing their colony.
- D** I always find them developing their colony. It makes me think twice as I compare it with people. Every day, I wake up and check on the ants at a nearby anthill. Ants work together to develop their colony because they have no politics, only leadership.

- 45 A** It always follows the same path which is not a circle but in the shape of an egg. The earth is a planet. The earth rotates around the sun once a year. It gets all its light and heat from the sun because it has none of its own.
- B** The earth is a planet. The earth rotates around the sun once a year. It always follows the same path which is not a circle but in the shape of an egg. It gets all its light and heat from the sun because it has none of its own.
- C** It gets all its light and heat from the sun because it has none of its own. It always follows the same path which is not a circle but in the shape of an egg. The earth rotates around the sun once a year. The earth is a planet.
- D** The earth is a planet. It gets all its light and heat from the sun because it has none of its own. The earth rotates around the sun once a year. It always follows the same path which is not a circle but in the shape of an egg.

Part 2: (Questions 46 – 60)

Reading Comprehension

This part has **three texts** with questions on each. Read each text carefully and then look at the questions which follow. For each question, four possible answers are given. By reading carefully, you will be able to choose which of the four is the **best** answer to the question.

Text 1

At Luampa Secondary School, there was a boy by the name of Mutaika. He was 15 years old and in Grade 8. He was a talented athlete who made his school proud each time he participated in athletics.

One day, Luampa Secondary School hosted a sports festival which attracted ten schools from different districts. Mutaika prepared well for his event. He participated in the 800 metre race. Everyone was quiet as the ten participants took their positions in the lanes. Mutaika ran as fast as he could leaving behind all the other nine runners. The whole school cheered for him as he approached the finishing line. Upon completion of the race, he was lifted up by his colleagues. Everyone was impressed with his performance.

At the end of the festival, Mutaika was selected as one of the best runners in the country that were to go and represent the nation in the United Kingdom. In the United Kingdom, he performed wonders and brought honour to our country. He inspired many of his colleagues who were not interested in athletics.

Now do questions 46 – 50

- 46** If Mutaika was born in 1999, in which year was this sports festival held at Luampa Secondary School?
- A 2010
 - B 2012
 - C 2014
 - D 2015
- 47** How many schools took part in the sports festival at Luampa Secondary School?
- A eight
 - B fifteen
 - C nine
 - D ten
- 48** According to the passage, **to inspire** is to make someone feel that they ...
- A are important.
 - B are inferior.
 - C can do something.
 - D cannot do something.
- 49** What lesson can we learn from this passage?
- A All schools should host athletics.
 - B Always be a role model.
 - C Athletics is the best sport.
 - D Hardwork pays.
- 50** In the United Kingdom, Mutaika's performance was ...
- A fair.
 - B good.
 - C poor.
 - D unfair.

Text 2

Fish ban is exercised in all fishing areas in Zambia. It starts in December and ends in March. Fish ban is important because it allows fish to breed and grow. During the ban, no one is allowed to catch any sort of fish. Anyone found fishing is punished or taken to court.

In places where fishing is done, chiefs and headmen sensitise their community members on the importance of the fish ban as well as its benefits. All types of fishing methods are discouraged during the fish ban.

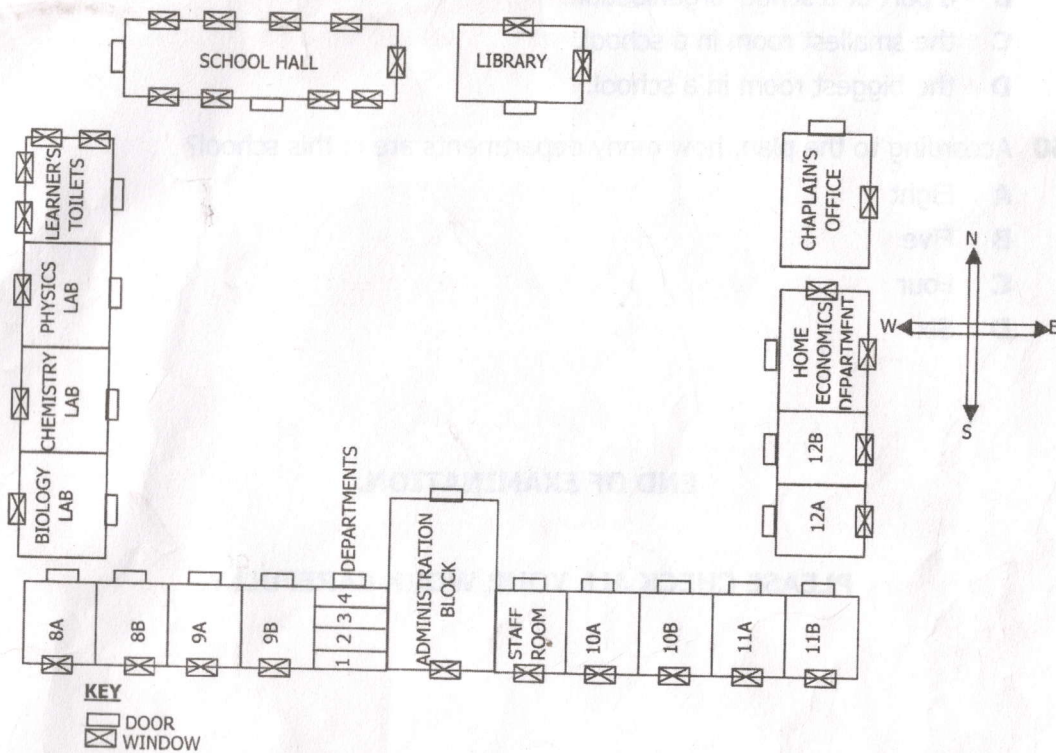
Fish is beneficial to the entire country and if allowed to breed and grow, it can be a good source of income and nutrients that human bodies need. For this reason, everyone should be encouraged to observe this ban and report people who do not observe it.

Now do questions 51 – 55

- 51** Why are people not allowed to fish during the fish ban? To give an opportunity for ...
- A** fish to breed and grow.
 - B** fish to increase.
 - C** fish to move freely.
 - D** people to be sensitised.
- 52** Apart from nutrients that human bodies need, fish can be a good source of ...
- A** colleagues.
 - B** exercise.
 - C** money.
 - D** water.
- 53** What would be the best title for this passage?
- A** Fishing Punishment
 - B** Methods of Fishing
 - C** The Fish Ban
 - D** The Importance of Fishing
- 54** According to the passage, the word **breed** means to ...
- A** develop.
 - B** grow.
 - C** make.
 - D** produce.
- 55** According to the passage, how long does a fish ban last?
- A** Five months
 - B** Four months
 - C** Three months
 - D** Two months

Text 3

Below is part of a plan of a school. Study it carefully and then answer the questions that follow it.



Now do questions 56 – 60

56 How many classes are there in this school?

- A Eight
- B Eighteen
- C Fourteen
- D Ten

57 Which structures are in the northerly direction of the school?

- A Chaplain's office and library
- B School hall and library
- C Science laboratories and school hall
- D Chaplain's office and school hall

58 According to the plan, what kind of a school is this?

- A College
- B Primary
- C Secondary
- D University

- 59** The word **department** means ...
- A** a room near the administration block.
 - B** a part of a school organisation.
 - C** the smallest room in a school.
 - D** the biggest room in a school.
- 60** According to the plan, how many departments are in this school?
- A** Eight
 - B** Five
 - C** Four
 - D** Six

END OF EXAMINATION.

PLEASE CHECK ALL YOUR WORK CAREFULLY.