NEXT EXAMINATIONS BOARD

PRE-PLE SET 1 (TIGER)

2026

ENGLISH LANGUAGE

Time Allowed: 2 hours 15 minutes

Final Mark Scored	

Admission No.						Personal No.		

Candidate's Name: .....

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Read the following instructions carefully:

1. Write your **school** or **district name** on your paper.

2. This paper has **two** sections: **A** and **B**. Section **A** has **50** questions and Section **B** has **5** questions. The paper has **16 printed pages**.

3. Answer **all** the questions. **All** the answers for both sections **A** and **B** must be written in the spaces provided.

4. **All** the answers **must** be written using a **blue** or **black** ballpoint pen or ink. Any answer written in pencil will **not** be marked.

5. Unnecessary **changes** in your work and handwriting that cannot be read easily may lead to **loss of marks**

6. Do not fill anything in the table indicated: **FOR EXAMINERS' USE ONLY** and boxes inside the question paper.

FOR EXAMINERS' USE ONLY		
QN. NO.	**MARKS**	**EXR'S NO.**
1-10		
11 – 20		
21 – 30		
31 – 40		
41 – 50		
51		
52		
53		
54		
55		
TOTAL		

SECTION A: 50 MARKS

Sub-section I

*Questions **1** to **50** carry **one** mark each*

*For each of the questions **1 to 10**, use the correct form of the words in brackets to complete the sentences.*

1. The.....of this wall is eight centimetres. (thick)
2. The casualty lay on the road ..... (help)
3. Of the twins, Nkoko is the..... (pretty)
4. The carpenter is.....the planks now. (smooth)
5. My mother .....to London a week ago. (go)
6. We thanked .....for the work she did for us. (she)
7. The butcher's was..... throughout the day. (open)
8. This is the ..... time I have found you here. (twelve)
9. Our maid.....in all the rooms last evening. (sweep)
10. Ocero was.....by a swarm of bees when he poked a stick in a beehive. (sting)

*In questions **11** to **16**, complete the gaps in the sentences with the most suitable word or group of words.*

11. My father warned me.....walking alone at night.
12. The boy ..... shirt we picked in the field thanked us.
13. The patient rested.....the tree shade.
14. The cattle .....grazing along the river.
15. By .....was the second goal scored?
16. The meeting was.....to next month by the chairperson.

*In questions **17 to 18**, use each of the given words to construct a sentence to show that you know their meaning.*

17. born

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18. bone

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*In questions **19 to 20**, rewrite the sentences giving a single word for the underlined group of words.*

19. The old woman visited the <u>eye doctor</u>

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20. My father has gone to the <u>place where dead bodies are kept</u>.

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*In questions **21 to 22**, re-arrange the words so that they form a correct sentence.*

21. easy very test today's is.

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22. smoking Sam caught toilet was the in.

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*In questions **23 to 24**, write the following in short.*

23. afternoon:.....

24. Telephone number:.....

*In questions **25** to **27**, rewrite the given sentences giving the plural form of the underlined words.*

25. The ox is ploughing.

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26. Have you dressed yourself?

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27. She gave me two a loaf of bread.

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*For questions **28 to 30**, rewrite each sentence giving the opposite of the underlined word or group of words.*

28. We dislike her because of her kindness.

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29. It rained until sunset.

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30. The lake was very rough in the morning.

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Sub-section II

*For questions **31** to **50**, rewrite the sentences as instructed in brackets.*

31. The hunter killed the lion. The lion ate my friend.
(Join using: .....that.....)

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32. Mpeke complex has just been built. The parliamentary building was built many years ago. (Join using: .....before.....)

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33. I am not going home. I am not tired yet. (Join using:.....since .....)

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34. It is not far from Gayaza to Mpererwe.
(Rewrite using: ..... a long way.....)

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35. It is not necessary for you to go with me. (use:.....needn't .....)

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36. If you don't write well, you will be punished by the teachers
(Rewrite using.....or else.....)

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37. He is poor but he drinks heavily every day.
(Rewrite using: ..... in spite.....)

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38 We shall go to the beach if we get enough money.
(Rewrite using: .....unless.....)

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38. Suudi stays in Nsangi. Mabiro also stays in Nsangi.
(Rewrite the sentence using .....as well as.....)

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40. "Why are boys shabby?" Lipo asked Grace.
(Rewrite using .....wanted to know.....)

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41. Shana is a careless girl. Hannah is equally a careless girl.
(Rewrite using: .....as .....as.....)

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42. Mazune is not going for the meeting. Engoru is not going to the meeting. (Join using: .....and neither.....)

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43. Rose managed to lie to the teacher.
(Re-write using: .....succeeeded.....)

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44. Leila has been cooking for an hour. Lunch is not yet ready.
(Join as one sentence using: .....although.....)

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45. Tonto used the gas cooker. She turned it off after using it.
(Join the sentences beginning: Having.....)

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45. You should keep your things clean.
(Re-write and use: .....expected.....)

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47. There wasn't any sense in what the madman was uttering.
(Rewrite and use: .....some.....)

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48. The girl is weaving a basket.
(Re-write the sentence and begin: A basket.....)

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49. Our school football team arrived at night.
(Rewrite and use: .....reach.....)

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50. Grace has a ball. Peace has a ball.
(Join beginning: Both.....)

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SECTION B

(Questions **51** to **55** carry **10** marks each.)

51. **Read the passage below and in full sentences answer the questions that follow.**

In an attempt to improve the use of English in Budongo Primary School, the head teacher introduced a vernacular task force in 2008. The pupils were told to use English all the time at school and even in dormitories. Some pupils didn't like the idea as those found using vernacular were always punished.

One morning, the head teacher announced that the whole school was going to have a debate as one way of improving on English speaking. This did not please those pupils who were good at using vernacular. They made noise and others refused to enter the main hall where the debate was to be held.
Four of the boys from P. 6 Violet decided to go to the nearby bush so as to dodge the debate. They had established a place where to hide when they saw a sugarcane plantation. They hurried into the garden and started eating sugarcanes.

Shortly, the owner of the garden, Mr. Awich Deng, came to check on his plantation as usual. He stopped for a while after **realizing** that there were people in the garden. He said to himself, "I am going to catch these boys today." He then tiptoed until he held one of the boys by the hand.

"You are the ones who steal my sugarcanes, let us go to the police. You will name the rest," Mr. Awich Deng shouted.
The other three boys decided to escape. As they were trying to do so, a speeding lorry knocked them dead. When Mr. Awich Deng saw the three dead bodies, he left the boy he had caught and ran back to his home. From that time, Reagan, who survived the accident swore never to dodge lessons or steal again.

1. Why did the head teacher of Budongo Primary School introduce a vernacular task force?

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2. When was the vernacular task force introduced?

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3. What happened to pupils caught speaking vernacular?

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4. What happened when the pupils received news about the debate?

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5. Who was the owner of the sugarcane plantation?

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6. How many boys were caught by the owner of the sugarcane plantation?

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7. What happened to the three other boys as they tried to run across the road?

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8. Which boy was caught by Mr. Awich Deng?

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9. At which time of day did the head teacher announce that the school was to have a debate?

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10. Give another **word or words** with same meaning as **realizing**

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52. (A) Below is a notice which appeared on the notice board of **Nasta primary school** on **15th October, 2014**.Study it carefully and answer, in full sentence, the question that follow.

To:	**ALL PARENTS O F PRIMARY SEVEN CANDIDATES.**
	YOU'RE ARE ALL LIMITED FOR P.7 CLASS MEETING
DATE:	20TH OCTOBER, 2014
TIME:	2:00PM- 4.00PM. IN THE MAIN HALL
N.B	PARENTS WHO HAVE NOT CLEARED SCHOOL REQUIREMENTS ARE ADVISED TO DO SO BEFORE COMING FOR THE MEETING.
	NO CASH WILL BE ALLOWED AT SCHOOL ALL PAYMENT SHOULD BE MADE IN THE BANK
	MANAGEMENT.

(a)Where can one read this information?

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(b) Who are being invited?

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(c)How long will the meeting take?

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(d) What should parents who have not cleared school requirements do?

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(e)Who wrote the notice?

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53. (B) Mr. Manyanga is a great former in Butunda village Kkiwato subcountry. Below are his one week diary records.
Study it carefully and then answer in full sentence, the question that follow.

Day	**Date**	**Activity**
Sun	8-11-2014	Visiting the sick and friend
Mon	9 -11-2014	Budgeting for time and money
Tue	10-11-2014	Withdrawing money from the bank
Wed	11-11-2014	Planting tomatoes and paying worker
Thur	12-11-2014	Pay water and electricity bills
Fri	13-11-2014	Selling eggs and banking money
sat	14-11-2014	Harvesting onions

(a) When did Mr. Manyenga visit the sick?

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(b) When did Mr. Manyenga pay his workers?

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(c) What did Mr. Manyenga do on Thursday?

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(d) Where was Mr. Manyenga on Saturday?

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(e) How many activities did Mr. Manyengo do that week?

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53. **Read the poem below carefully and answer the questions that follow in full sentences.**

Quite a useful pen
Used near and far, here and there,
My teacher pours red tears,
With it, he decorates my Mathematics

Quite a useful pen,
On duty in various offices, workplaces,
Filling Withdrawal forms in banks,
Held in the cashier's hand to sign forms

Quite a useful pen,
Recording events of all kind worldwide,
For newspapers, TVs and radio stations,
The journalist from Spain uses it.

Quite useful a pen,
This, some people don't know about
Yet it's there when they need it
Thankful I am for its existence.

Musonge.

Questions

1. What is the above poem about?

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2. According to the poem where is the pen used?

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3. How do you think the teacher decorates the pupil's Mathematics?

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4. According to stanza 2, who holds the pen?

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5. How many stanzas are in the above poem?

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6. Why do people in banks fill withdrawal forms?

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7. Who is the author of the poem?

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8. What is the nationality of the journalist?

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9. What is the writer thankful for?

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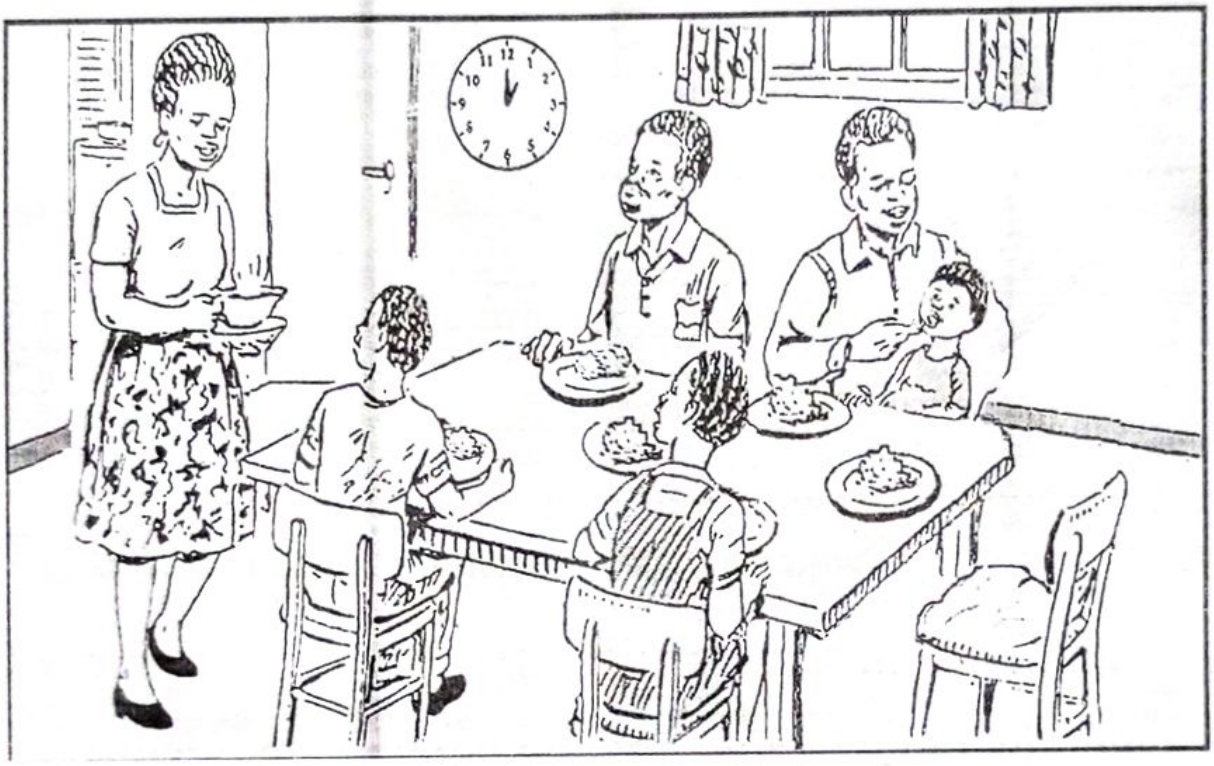
10. Suggest a suitable title to the poem.

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54. **Study the picture of Mr. Njabire Joshua's family and then answer in full sentences the questions that follow. You may use these words to help you.**

father, mother, baby, children, carry, feed, uncle, dining, eat, serving



a) Whose family is shown in the picture?

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b) How many children has this family?

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c) What are the people in the picture doing?

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d) Who is carrying food to the table?

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e) What shows that the father is sharing responsibility with the mother?

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f) What do you call a brother to your father?

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g) Which meal is the family enjoying now?

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h) Why hasn't one chair been occupied?

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i) Mention one home chore a child like you should do home.

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j) Suggest a suitable title to this picture composition.

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55. **Batu Basina**, a Primary Seven pupil in **Magombe Primary School**, apologized to her class teacher. She was sorry for slapping a classmate who had thrown her dictionary down.

Study her letter and fill in what you think are the missing words.

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P.O. Box 9911
Busia.

25th September, 2023

Mrs. Ann Wekesa,
The Class teacher, P.7
Magombe Primary School
P.O. Box 9911
Busia

Dear.....,

Re: ..... FOR SLAPPING BAVVE JOHNSON

Referring to the above subject, I hereby write to ..... for slapping Bavve Johnson this morning.

I know that such behaviour is unacceptable. Johnson picked my dictionary and ..... it down so I thought slapping him would teach him to respect people and property. I am very ..... and I ..... to behave better next time.

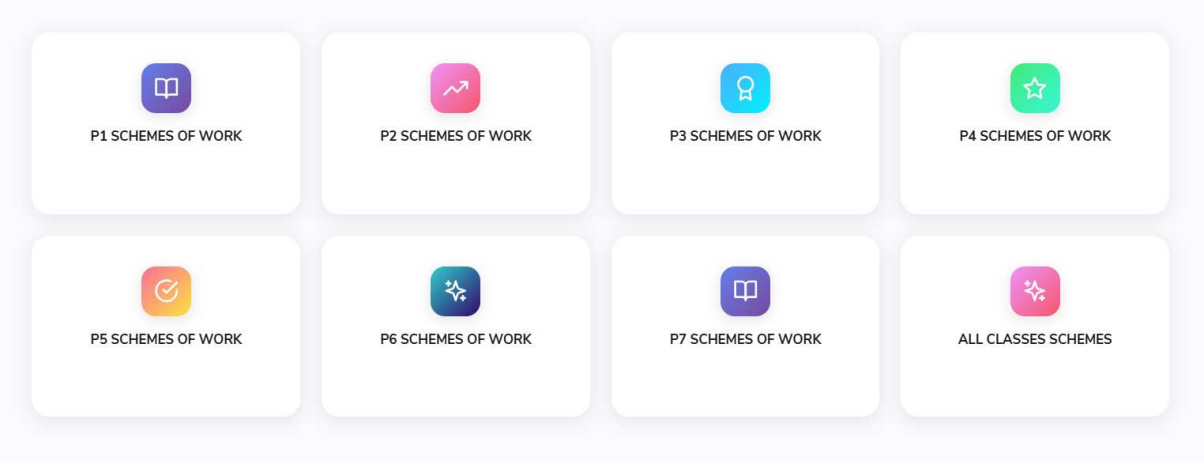
I shall be very happy if my apology is positively considered.

Yours .....

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