NEXT EXAMINATIONS BOARD

PRIMARY THREE LITERACY 1A MARKING GUIDE

End of Term 3, 2026

SECTION A

1. Name any one part of a plant.
   - Root / Stem / Leaf / Flower / Fruit / Seed

2. Why do we wash hands after visiting the toilet?
   - To kill germs / To remove dirt / To avoid diseases

3. One immunisable disease.
   - Polio / Measles / Tetanus / Tuberculosis / Whooping cough

4. Draw and name one item used to clean our body.
   - Accept a correct drawing with its name, e.g. soap / sponge / towel / toothbrush.

5. An activity done in the field.
   - Playing football / Running / Grazing / Farming

6. Why is a stone a non-living thing?
   - It does not grow / breathe / feed / reproduce.

7. Why do sick people go to the hospital?
   - To get treated / To get medicine

8. Garden tool used for collecting rubbish.
   - Rake

9. Animal that protects itself by a bad smell.
   - Skunk
   - Bedbug

10. Why do we iron our clothes?
    - To kill germs / To remove creases / To look smart

11. One basic need.
    - Food / Shelter / Clothing / Water / Medicine

12. A type of accident at school.
    - Cuts / Bruises / Sprains / Burns

13. A way of preserving fish.
    - Smoking / Salting / Drying / Frying / Freezing

14. Why do people keep cats?
    - To catch rats / As pets / For company

15. When should man use an umbrella?
    - When it is raining / When it is very sunny

16. An aquatic animal.
    - Fish / Frog / Crocodile / Hippo / Crab

17. Removal of unwanted plants from the garden.
    - Weeding

18. Name the item used to harvest rain.
    - Water tank

19. A way of cleaning our homes.
    - Sweeping / Mopping / Dusting / Slashing / Washing

20. Part of the cassava plant we eat.
    - Roots / Tubers

21. A use of wings to birds.
    - For flying

22. Use of stomata on leaves.
    - For breathing / For taking in air / For letting out water vapour

23. What is wind?
    - Moving air

24. Why is a table a non-living thing?
    - It does not grow / breathe / feed / reproduce.

25. Immunisable disease that makes children lame.
    - Polio

26. What is photosynthesis?
    - The process by which green plants make their own food using sunlight.

27. Why do we eat food?
    - To grow / To get energy / To stay healthy / To repair the body

28. How do birds reproduce?
    - By laying eggs

29. A domestic animal kept as a pet.
    - Cat / Dog / Rabbit

30. What is soil erosion?
    - Soil erosion is the removal of top soil.

31. Why is a rat a living thing?
    - It grows / feeds / breathes / moves / reproduces.

32. A way soil is formed.
    - Weathering of rocks / Decay of plants and animals

33. Name given to the mouth of a bird.
    - Beak

34. Use of flowers on a plant.
    - For reproduction / To make seeds and fruits / To attract insects

35. Type of leaf drawn.
    - Compound leaf

36. Season when farmers plant crops.
    - Rainy season / Wet season

37. What helps fish to smell food?
    - Nostril

38. Small garden where tiny seeds are first planted.
- Nursery bed

39. Part of the plant that makes food.
- Leaf / Leaves

40. When do shadows appear very long?
- Early in the morning / Late in the afternoon

SECTION B

41. (a) Two groups of living things. (b) Two reasons living things move.
(a) Plants and animals
(b) Any two: to look for food / water / shelter / to escape enemies

42. (a) What is a weed? (b) Three examples of weeds.
(a) A plant that grows where it is not wanted.
(b) Any three: black jack / spear grass / nut grass / couch grass / lantana

43. (a) photo means (b) synthesis means (c) Two materials plants need apart from chlorophyll.
(a) light
(b) putting together / making
(c) Any two: water / carbon dioxide / sunlight

44. Name the parts of the plant.
A - Flower
B - Stem
C - Roots
D - Fruit

45. Match the sense organs with their senses.
nose - smelling
skin - feeling
tongue - tasting
ear - hearing

46. (a) Who is a first aider? (b) Why is first aid given? (c) Two items used.
(a) A person who gives first help to a sick or injured person before treatment.
(b) To save life / To reduce pain / To prevent the injury from getting worse
(c) Any two: bandage / cotton wool / plaster / gloves / antiseptic

47. Four ways of caring for crops.
- Weeding / Watering / Mulching / Spraying / Pruning / Staking (any four)

48. Draw the basic needs of man.
shelter - a house
water - a tap, jerrycan or pot of water
food - e.g. banana, maize, or a plate of food
medicine - tablets or a bottle of medicine

49. (a) General cleanliness of a place. (b) Three things used in cleaning the compound.
(a) Sanitation / Hygiene
(b) Any three: broom / rake / slasher / hoe / bucket / wheelbarrow

50. (a) What is a habitat? (b) Habitats of fish, earthworm, monkey.

(a) The natural home of a plant or an animal.
(b) fish - water
earthworm - soil
monkey - tree / forest

51. Name the garden tools.

- Basin
- Hoe
- Trowel
- Rake

52. (a) Outer layer of the earth where plants grow. (b) Best soil for: crop growing, pottery, glass and sand blocks.

(a) Soil
(b) crop growing - loam soil
pottery - clay soil
glass and sand blocks - sand / sandy soil

53. (a) Name the structure. (b) The part marked y. (c) Two crops kept in it.

(a) Granary
(b) Rat guard
(c) Any two: maize / millet / sorghum / beans / groundnuts / rice

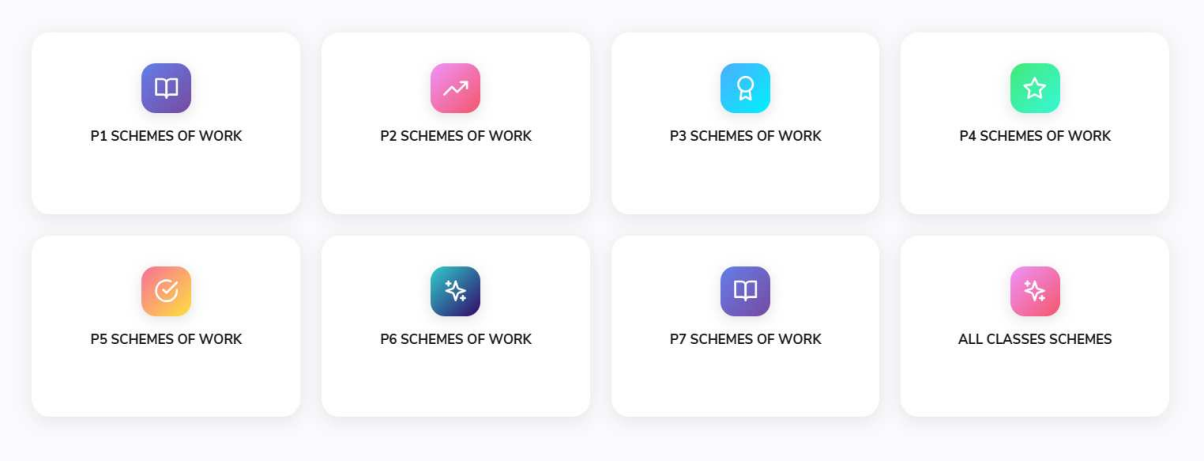
54. Part of the plant eaten.

cassava - root / tuber
cabbages - leaves
sugarcane - stem
mango - fruit

55. (a) Two natural changes in our environment. (b) Two man-made changes.

(a) Any two: floods / drought / landslides / earthquakes / rain / wind
(b) Any two: building roads / building houses / cutting trees / digging / planting trees / factories

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