# NEXT EXAMINATIONS BOARD

## PRIMARY FIVE ENGLISH LANGUAGE MARKING GUIDE

End of Year 2026 (Promotional Set)

### SECTION A (50 MARKS)

*Questions 1 to 50 carry one mark each.*

### Sub-section I

In each of the questions 1 to 5, fill in the blank space with a suitable word to complete the sentence.

1. Mina went to the bank in order to ..... some money in her account.
   - deposit

2. How ..... do you pay a visit to your grandmother?
   - often

3. We shall read The New Vision today, ..... we?
   - shan't

4. Our father takes us to school ..... car.
   - by

5. That shopkeeper gave me a ..... to confirm my payment for the goods.
   - receipt

In each of the questions 6 to 15, use the correct form of the word in brackets to complete the sentence.

6. Will you take part in the ..... process at our school? (elect)
   - election

7. A caring father of ..... has bought them Christmas outfits. (they)
   - them

8. Tamara ..... loaded airtime on her phone to make a call. (interest)
   - interestingly

9. Ciara was fond of ..... the dining room during her youth. (tidy)
   - tidying

10. Did Mauya seek ..... to drive our car? (permit)
    - permission

11. That highway should be ..... to reduce the risk of accidents. (wide)
    - widened

12. I ..... my best dress on your birthday yesterday. (wear)
    - wore

13. White Angels School holds music competitions ..... a year. (one)
    - once

14. Alkam was the ..... among those actors on stage. (brave)
    - bravest

15. Mondo, the stationer, has bought more ..... for his shop. (bookshelf)
    - bookshelves

In each of the questions 16 and 17, use each of the given words in a sentence to show that you know the difference in their meaning.

16. date
    - The meeting will be held on the date of 5th May.

17. debt
    - The trader has cleared his debt.

In each of the questions 18 to 20, rewrite the sentence giving one word for the underlined group of words.

18. This girl is always <u>full of respect</u> to elders.
    - This girl is always respectful to elders.

19. Am I <u>your father's sister</u>?
    - Am I your aunt?

20. Jona has gone to the bank to get some money from <u>the place where he keeps his money</u>.
    - Jona has gone to the bank to get some money from his account.

In each of the questions 21 and 22, write the short form of each of the given words.

21. account
    - acct.

22. Mount
    - Mt.

In each of the questions 23 and 24, rearrange the given words to form a meaningful sentence.

23. from you need Do me help?
    - Do you need help from me?

24. shopping rarely Mum goes.
    - Mum rarely goes shopping.
    - Rarely does Mum go shopping.

In each of the questions 25 and 26, arrange the given words in alphabetical order.

25. cashier, withdraw, deposit, bounce
    - bounce, cashier, deposit, withdraw

26. devote, delete, demote, dear
    - dear, delete, demote, devote

In each of the questions 27 and 28, write the plural form of the given word.

27. newsletter
    - newsletters

28. papyrus
    - papyri
    - papyruses

In each of the questions 29 and 30, rewrite the sentence giving the opposite of the underlined word.

29. How disciplined you have turned, Mary!
    - How undisciplined you have turned, Mary!

30. The prices of coffee fell in the recent days.
    - The prices of coffee rose in the recent days.

Sub-section II

For each of the questions 31 to 50, rewrite the sentence as instructed in the brackets.

31. A radio is a useful source of information. (Begin: Radio .....)
    - Radio is a useful source of information.

32. The headteacher will give presents to the best pupils per class. (End: ..... from the headteacher.)
    - The best pupils per class will be given presents from the headteacher.

33. Allan does not like eating meat. He likes eating fish. (Use: .....more than.....)
    - Allan likes eating fish more than meat.

34. The student does not have a dictionary. The librarian does not have a dictionary. (Begin: Neither .....)
    - Neither the student nor the librarian has a dictionary.

35. All the customers at the bank dressed smartly. (Begin: None .....)
    - None of the customers at the bank dressed badly.

36. Qurais did not buy a newspaper. (Use: .....was not .....)
    - A newspaper was not bought by Qurais.

37. What an easy paper we did! (Use: .....very.....)
    - We did a very easy paper.

38. My brother is a rich man, but he does not educate his children. (Begin: Although .....)
    - Although my brother is a rich man, he does not educate his children.

39. After they drank tea, they washed all the crockery. (Use: .....immediately.....)
    - They washed all the crockery immediately after they drank tea.
    - Immediately after they drank tea, they washed all the crockery.

40. A dog does no harm if it is not disturbed. (Begin: A dog is .....)
    - A dog is harmless if it is not disturbed.

41. That family always travels abroad during holidays. (Use: .....usually.....)
    - That family usually travels abroad during holidays.

42. It is risky to use sharp objects carelessly. (Begin: Using .....)
    - Using sharp objects carelessly is risky.

43. The journalist cried bitterly. The police beat him yesterday. (Use: .....whom.....)
    - The journalist, whom the police beat yesterday, cried bitterly.

44. The street children will welcome the president tonight. (End: ....., won't they? Add the question tag.)
    - The street children will welcome the president tonight, won't they?

45. Aina should get money to go to town. (Begin: If Aina .....)
    - If Aina gets money, she will go to town.

46. The mechanic reached the garage early so that he could repair all the day's vehicles. (Use: .....in order.....)
    - The mechanic reached the garage early in order to repair all the day's vehicles.

47. That house is so small that it cannot accommodate all of us. (Use: .....too.....to.....)
    - That house is too small to accommodate all of us.

48. Aman has bought a new bag from that shopkeeper. (Use: .....has sold.....)
    - That shopkeeper has sold Aman a new bag.

49. The post office is located in front of the police station. (Use: .....behind.....)
    - The police station is behind the post office.

50. Can they make a toy car? (Use: .....able.....)
    - Are they able to make a toy car?

## SECTION B (50 MARKS)

*Questions 51 to 55 carry ten marks each.*

**51. Read the passage below and answer the questions about it carefully and in full sentences.**

Our father, Mr. Aidan Baguma, always went to the bank to deposit all the school fees for all of us, his children. He always did it at the beginning of every academic term. He usually went alone, intending to hurry from town and take us to school on the very first day.

Though I would always love to go along with him, he would never allow me. My breakthrough came when my P5 teacher of English taught us how to withdraw money from the bank as well as how to deposit money in the bank. Having got that knowledge, I asked my dad to at least allow me to one day go and deposit our school fees on his behalf. At first, he was not ready to accept but after a long time, he gave me a try.

I went to the bank and joined a long queue there patiently, having finished filling in the deposit form for each of us. The chance finally came and I took the fees to the counter where it was all deposited and I returned home a happy child after depositing fees for the first time. Dad thanked me very much for successfully depositing the fees. We then headed for school to report on the very first day, as we usually did.

a) Why would the writer's father go to the bank?
   - The father would go to the bank to deposit school fees.

b) When would the writer's father deposit school fees in the bank?
   - He deposited school fees at the beginning of every academic term.

c) What made the writer's father go to the bank alone?
   - He wanted to hurry from town and take them to school.

d) Who taught the writer how to withdraw and deposit money?
   - The writer's P.5 English teacher taught the writer.

e) What did the writer do before joining the long queue in the bank?
   - The writer filled in the deposit form for each of them.

f) How did the writer feel after depositing school fees in the bank?
   - The writer felt happy.

g) Why did the writer's dad thank the writer?
   - Because the writer had successfully deposited the fees.

h) What did the writer and the siblings do after the writer had deposited the school fees?
   - They headed for school to report on the first day.

i) Write a word or group of words with a similar meaning to each of the following words as used in the passage.

(i) ready willing

(ii) returned came back

52. As a responsible pupil, Manuel, a P.5 pupil at Zigido Primary School, drew his study timetable to help him excel in his end of year exams. Study it carefully and then answer the questions in full sentences.

| DAY | MORNING | EVENING |
|---|---|---|
| Sunday | Prayers at lunch time | Watch TV |
| Monday | Attend mathematics remedial class | Class quiz |
| Tuesday | Personal SST revision | Do English comprehension practice |
| Wednesday | Attend science remedial class | Do English composition practice |
| Thursday | School weekly mass | Spelling practice |
| Friday | Sanitation assembly to ensure pupils' personal hygiene | English comprehension practice |
| Saturday | Chores at home | Football with village mates |

a) Who made the above study timetable?
- Manuel made the timetable.

b) How would the study timetable help Manuel?
- It helps him to plan his time
- It helps him to excel in his exams

c) Which subject is not meant for morning time?
- English.

d) What shows that Manuel is God-fearing?
- He attends prayers and weekly mass.

e) What could Manuel do on Sunday afternoon?
- He could rest
- He could pray
- He could take lunch

f) Why do you think Manuel had spelling practice on Thursday?
- To improve his spelling.

g) How could Manuel spend his Saturday afternoon?
- He could play football with his village mates.

h) Why is a sanitation assembly important at Manuel's school?
- It keeps the pupils clean
- It prevents diseases

i) On which day does Manuel do class quiz?
- He does a class quiz on Monday evening.

j) Which school does Manuel go to?
- He goes to Zigido Primary School.

53. Read the poem below and answer the questions about it in full sentences.

**Behaviour**
With you, behaviour, favour is mine
Everyone gets to be my friend
No quarrels, no fights at all
Since behaviour has taken the lead

He who misbehaves is a curse all over
The one who abuses others, hatred waits for them
Whoever harasses others, curses will follow you
Disrespect brings you misfortune

As a well-raised individual
Stay calm, fortunes will follow you
Be respectful, favour is yours
And then we shall enjoy this world with peace.
*Cule Ado*

a) What is the poem about?
- The poem is about behaviour.

b) Write one thing that is avoided when there is good behaviour, according to stanza one.
- Quarrels
- Fights

c) What happens to someone who misbehaves?
- He is a curse all over.

d) Which person is hated, according to stanza two?
- The person who abuses others is hated.

e) How does disrespect affect a person?
- It brings misfortune to a person.

f) Which people are calm and respectful?
- Well-raised people are calm and respectful.

g) Why do people need peace, according to the poem?
- So that we enjoy this world.

h) How many stanzas are in the poem?
- There are three stanzas.

i) Who wrote the poem above?
- Cule Ado wrote the poem.

j) Suggest another suitable title for the poem.
- Good Behaviour
- Behaviour
- Respect

54. The sentences below are in the wrong order. Rearrange them to form a meaningful composition about A BAD EXPERIENCE WHILE SHOPPING. Write the letters in the correct order, then write the composition.
- During our holiday last term, my parents took us to do some shopping. We went to Hino Shopping Park as there were so many kids' items. This place is located in the heart of Nyendo City. At this shopping centre, there are many buyers, so even those who have other intentions come along. These many people buy as some get away with their bought items. However, as we continued shopping, a certain pickpocket grabbed a lady's bag. The lady shouted for help and many buyers turned to chase the pickpocket. Fortunately, he was caught a few steps from the shopping centre. He was later beaten by the angry mob that caught him. He was eventually handed over to the police for action.

(a) These many people buy as some get away with their bought items.
(b) We went to Hino Shopping Park as there were so many kids' items.
(c) However, as we continued shopping, a certain pickpocket grabbed a lady's bag.
(d) Fortunately, he was caught a few steps from the shopping centre.
(e) He was eventually handed over to the police for action.
(f) The lady shouted for help and many buyers turned to chase the pickpocket.
(g) During our holiday last term, my parents took us to do some shopping.
(h) At this shopping centre, there are many buyers, so even those who have other intentions come along.
(i) This place is located in the heart of Nyendo City.
(j) He was later beaten by the angry mob that caught him.

Correct order of letters: .....
- g, b, i, h, a, c, f, d, j, e

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55. You are a pupil at Little Linjos Junior School, Entebbe, P.O. Box 87, Masajja. You are about to do your end of year exams to be promoted to the next class. Write a letter to your parent informing him or her how you have prepared for your exams and the class you want to be promoted to, and also ask him or her for the items you do not have. Use your school address.

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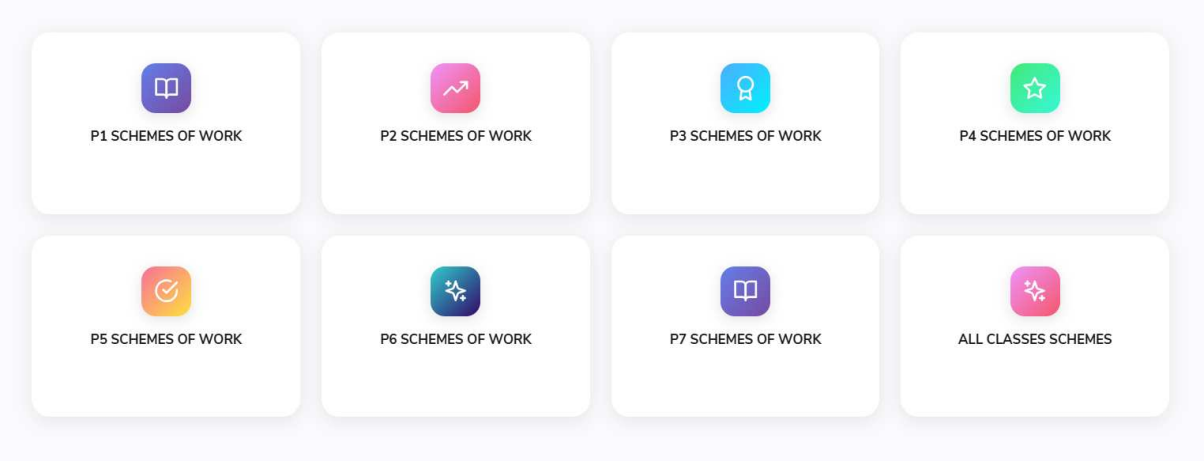
Dear Mum,
I hope you are well at home. I am fine at school and I am happy to inform you that we are about to do our end of year exams.
I have prepared well for them. I revise my notes every evening, I do past papers and I ask my teachers when I do not understand. I also pray every day so that God helps me. I want to be promoted to Primary Six.
However, I do not have some items. I need a new mathematical set, two blue pens, a ruler and a pair of school shoes. Please bring them when you come on visiting day.
Thank you very much for taking care of me.

Yours lovingly,
Mary Nakato.

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