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MAGIC SERIES ONE

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ENGLISH

Time Allowed: 2 hours 15 minutes

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Read the following instructions carefully:

1. Do not forget to write your **school name** on this paper.
2. This paper has two sections: **A** and **B.** Section **A** has **50** questions and section **B** has **5** questions. The paper has **15 printed pages** altogether.
3. Answer **all** the questions. **All** answers to both sections **A** and **B** must be written in the spaces provided.
4. All answers **must** be written using a **blue** or **black** ball point pen or ink. Any work 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		

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SECTION A: 50 MARKS

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

Subsection 1

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

1. The sick candidate sat …… an armchair while taking the examination.

2. …… Mum given us enough money, we would have bought all the items on the shopping list.

3. Our school …… makes durable furniture.

4. The criminal was …… with defilements.

5. There is little water left, …… there?

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

6. One must respect …… while in public. (one)

7. The drunk driver drove so …… that he almost knocked down a schoolchild. (care)

8. By the time the police arrive, those who don't want to participate in Uganda's National Cleaning Day …… (flee)

9. You will be punished by the teacher due to …… (disobey)

10. A snail moves …… than a chameleon. (slow)

11. Jamirah bought some …… mangoes from the fruiterer. (juice)

12. Of the triplets, Akello is the …… (shy)

13. He died a very …… man. (poverty)

14. Several …… dresses were on sale at Ham Towers. (lady)

15. The …… boy tried his level best in the race, but he did not win. (nine)

*For questions **16** and **17**, rewrite the sentences giving the **singular form** of the underlined words.*

16. The chairman, Electoral Commission used two <u>pairs of scissors</u> to cut open the ballot boxes.

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17. Trevour Noah and his team have taken us through the world cup <u>analyses</u>.

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In each of the questions **18** *to* **19**, *write the short forms* of the given **full forms**.

18. the Post Office

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19. for instance

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In questions **20** *and* **21,** rearrange *the following words in* ***alphabetical order.***

20. fare, bash, conductor, bus

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21. Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday

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In questions **22** *and* **23***, rewrite the sentence giving a* ***single word*** *for the* ***underlined group of words.***

22. That <u>man from whom you rent a room</u> is a very honest person.

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23. Most politicians are fond of talking <u>without end</u>.

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In each of the questions **24** *and* **26,** *rewrite the sentence giving the* **opposites** *of the* ***underlined words.***

24. Why have you <u>closed</u> the stationer's early today?

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25. That <u>tall</u> man managed to enter the restaurant.

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26. Talking to referees during the match is <u>useless</u>.

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In questions **27** *and* **28***, use the given words in a sentence to show that you know the* **difference in their meaning.**

27. bath ……

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28. birth ……

For each of the questions **29** *to* **30***,* rearrange the following words to form **a correct sentence.**

29. Could grass I chew were goat if I.

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30. old you How are?

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Subsection II

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

31. Kiri seldom tells lies.
    (*Rewrite the sentence using:* ..... often .....)

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32. That is the hospital. I was born there.
    (*Join as* **one** *sentence using:* ..... where .....)

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33. Nasuuna did not have topical questions about ceremonies. She did not understand the topic well.
    (*Join as* **one** *sentence using: .....* would have .....)

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34. The villagers often use this footpath.
    (*Rewrite the sentence using:* ..... too ..... to .....)

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35. You need to revise your notes.
    (*Rewrite as the sentence using*: ..... necessary .....)

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36. the meat said the butcher's is stale.
(*Rewrite and **punctuate** the sentence correctly)*

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37. Hardly had the chef lit the stove than he began cooking.
(Rewrite the sentence beginning: Immediately ……)

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38. The mechanic will arrive at 8:00 pm. The mechanic will arrive at 9:00 pm. (*Join the sentences using: …… either …… or ……)*

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39. It is interesting to watch educative movies.

(Rewrite the sentence beginning: Watching ……)

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40. They are poor people. They lead a happy life like rich people.
(Rewrite the sentence beginning: In spite ……)

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41. 'Have you heard about the death of Gen Moses Ali, Sam?' Asked Patricia. *(Rewrite the sentence using: …… wanted to know ……)*

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42. This is a very colourful event.
(Rewrite the sentence beginning: How ……)

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43. Tom will arrive home before noon.
(Rewrite the sentence beginning: By noon, ……)

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44. Muriisa weighed 66kgs. Moureen weighed 65kgs.
(Join the sentences using: …… as …… as ……)

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45. Stop looking at that tourist. She is beautiful. She is tall. She is fat.
(*Join the sentences* ***without*** *using "**and**" '**who**"* "**that**"……)

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46. We need to have a class meeting. We want to discuss challenges in our classroom. (Join the sentences using: …… so that ……)

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47. Does Shishay have ten thousand shillings? Does Agazi have ten thousand shillings?
(*Join as* **one** *sentence using: …… much money* ……)

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48. Rural life is good. Urban life is better.
(*Join as* **one** *sentence using: …… than ……*)

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49. How much are these pairs of shoes?
(Rewrite the sentence beginning: How much is ……?)

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50. The P7 pupils can't wait to sit their Primary Leaving Examination this year. *(Rewrite the sentences using: …… look forward ……)*

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SECTION B: 50 MARKS

Questions **51** to **55** carry **ten** marks each.

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

In Pajulu Primary School, there was once a naughty boy, Opojo. He could not share what he had with the rest of the boarders in the dormitory. Most of his classmates noticed it and turned a blind eye to it. Time went by as his pocket money and snacks got finished. This puzzled Opojo a lot. As he kept on thinking about borrowing from his classmates, he got scared out of his wits.

Opojo constantly recalled how he used to smartly deny sharing snacks with others. This prompted him to escape from school after constantly seeking permission from the school askari and failing to obtain, Odugu, the gate keeper, became Opojo's worst enemy. This is because he had denied him permission to go out.

At midnight, Opojo climbed the wall fence and successfully jumped out of the school. Odugu was not around at that time since he had worked during the day. Towards a half past mid night, Asiku, the then Askari on duty heard footsteps approaching the school wall fence. This did not bother him since he thought that it could the usual drunkards who leave for home late.

A few seconds later, the noise from the footsteps stopped. This alerted the Askari. He took cover and stealthily approached the spot where Opojo was with his bow and arrows in hand, he was set to bring the thief down. Opojo climbed carefully, just as he was about to jump down, Asiku released an arrow and this shot him right on the right leg. Opojo screamed loudly out of pain.
Asiku ran towards him and quickly recognised him so he could not harm him any further. "Where are you coming from at this time of the night?" Askari asked him.

With a lot of panic, Opojo could hardly say anything. Asiku locked him in

the room for askaris and then produced him to the head teacher of the school the following morning. Opojo's parents were contacted and later on, he was expelled from the school. This saddened his poor parents who had hope that Opojo would be the first child from the family of twelve children to taste secondary education, the following year.

(a) Which school is being talked about in the passage?

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(b) In which class is Opojo?

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(c) At what time of day did Opojo escape from school?

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(d) What shows that Opojo is not a good child?

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(e) Why did Asiku shoot Opojo according to the passage?

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(f) What reason did Opojo give Asiku for escaping from school at night?

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(g) How did Asiku know that somebody was coming to school at midnight?

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(h) Why would you think Opojo was expelled from school?

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(i) Give another **word** to mean the same as; <u>prompted</u> as used in the passage.

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(j) What lesson do you learn from the story of Opojo?

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52. (A) *Study the information below carefully and use it to answer the questions that follow* ***in full sentences****.*

The family of Mr and Mrs Opio Francis of Kapodo, Pallisa with pleasure invites the company of Fr Odingo John to the wedding ceremony of their son Okot Pius with Nannozi Becky daughter of Mr and Mrs Ssumbwe George of Mukono which will take place on Saturday 18th August, 2026 at Christ the King Catholic Church, Kampala. The reception will take place at Serena Hotel.

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Opio Amos	**Hon Atim Cathy**

(a) What do you call the information above?

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(b) Who is the bride according to the above information?

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(c) What will take place at Christ the King Catholic Church, Kampala on 18th August 2026?

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(d) Why do you think people are likely to be happy at Serena Hotel??

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(e) How can one who will not be able to attend the event send a reply?

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52. (B) *The table below shows trending news in Uganda published in the Ray News Outlet on 30 July 2026. Study it carefully and use it to answer the questions that follow.*

Month	**Trending News**
January	Elections in Uganda. Uganda goes to the polls
February	The release of PLE, UCE and UACE results
March	The evacuation of 43 Ugandan students from Iran
April	The killing of four children at Ggaba ECD by Okello Christopher.
May	The Ebola outbreak
June	The presentation of the National Budget and Economy

Source: Internet

(a) What is the table about?

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(b) In which news outlet did the information appear?

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(c) How did the news about Ebola outbreak in May affect you as a child?

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(d) How many months are on the table above?

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(e) When did Ugandans go to the polls?

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

Early in the morning
the gentle breeze begins flowing
The beautiful sound of birds
Coming from the forest
'Get up my son,' said Mum
Pick up the hoe and follow me
It's time for gardening.

Look! Dad has left
A hammer, a saw and sandpaper
Many more in his toolbox
He has started woodworking
Everyone approaches for furniture.

Can't you see?
The bakery is open
Over there
Your sibling selling
Yummy bread and cakes
What a skilled baker she is!

Don't forget about Ann
Almost done with stitching
Her best friend's party dress
It's the sewing machine again
With her thimble on
She is always safe from harm.

(a) What is the poem about?

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(b) According to stanza one, where is the writer going?

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(c) Identify any **two** tools mentioned in the poem.

i. ……

ii. ……

(d) What is the writer's father's occupation?

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(e) Which tool does Ann use?

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(f) How many stanzas does the poem have?

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(g) Why do you think the writer's father keeps his tools in a toolbox?

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(h) How can you tell that Ann is a seamstress?

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(i) Give a **word** or **group of words** with the same meaning as the **underlined word** in the poem.

gardening ……

(j) Suggest a suitable title for the poem.

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54. *Gladys was going to attend her cousin's wedding ceremony. At the Zebra Crossing, she met a gentleman, Wanyana. Below is a conversation between Gladys and Wanyana. What Wanyana said is given. Fill in what you think were* ***Glady's responses.***

Wanyana: Hello, little girl.

Gladys: ……

Wanyana I am pleased to meet you.

Gladys: ……

Wanyana You seem to be in a hurry. What is your name and where are you going?

Gladys: ……

Wanyana Who exactly is your cousin wedding?

Gladys: ……

Wanyana Flora must be lucky. Where is the wedding going to be held?

Gladys: ……

Wanyana Makerere Full Gospel Church! At what time will the ceremony commence?

Gladys: ……

Wanyana Who will preside over the wedding?

Gladys: ……

Wanyana If it is Pastor Benson, then 2:00pm might be a bit late. Where will the reception take place?

Gladys: ……

Wanyana Highway Hotel! Did they invite many guests?

Gladys: ……

Wanyana Do you think anyone who comes without an invitation card will be allowed at the reception?

Gladys: ……

Wanyana Oh! My name is Mr Wanyana. I wish you a nice day.

Gladys: ……

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55. In not less than **100** words, write a composition about 'How children can be safe from Road Accidents'. In your essay, mention at least four ways this can be done. You may use the words below to help you; Highway code, traffic police, traffic lights, helmet, maintenance, mechanic, garage.

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