



DEPARTMENT OF
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CERTIFICATE OF BASIC
EDUCATION
EXAMINATIONS

ENGLISH
LANGUAGE
PAPER 2

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Time Allowed:
2 Hours and 30 Minutes
(8:30 am – 11:00 am)

Candidates are advised to
fully utilize the allocated
time.

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INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES:

To be read out by the external invigilator before the start of the examination.

There are **50** questions in this paper worth **50** marks. Attempt **ALL** questions even if you are not so sure of some of the answers.

The Examination is divided into three parts:

PART A: Multiple Choice (Questions 1 - 25)

PART B: Short Answer (Questions 26 - 47)

PART C: Extended Response (Questions 48 – 50)

The Answer Sheet is placed in the middle of the Examination Booklet. **Take out the Answer Sheet from the Examination Booklet.**

Write your candidate number, your name, school name and province name, your sex and age in the space given on the **Answer Sheet**. The invigilator will tell you what to write.

For each question in **PART A**, choose the correct answer and write the letter, A, B, C or D in the space given on the **Answer Sheet**.

For each question in **PART B** and **PART C**, work out the answer and write the answer in the space provided on the **Answer Sheet**.

If you find a question difficult, do not spend too much time thinking about it. Skip the question and go on with the rest of the paper. If you have time in the end, return to the difficult question and think about it more carefully.

Write your answers in **BLUE** or **BLACK** pen or biro.

If you decide to change an answer, make your correction as shown below so that it is clear to the markers what your final answer is.

Do **NOT** use correction fluid on your answer sheet.



Hand in **BOTH** the Answer Sheet and the papers used for rough work at the end of the examination.

Extra time will NOT be allowed to complete the examination under any circumstances.

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DO NOT TURN OVER THIS PAGE AND DO NOT WRITE UNTIL YOU ARE TOLD TO START.

PART A: MULTIPLE CHOICE**(QUESTIONS 1 to 25)****25 MARKS**

For each question, choose the best answer and write the letter A, B, C or D in the space provided on the ANSWER SHEET.

QUESTION 1

I only _____ one mistake in my last test.

- A. made B. done C. did D. make

QUESTION 2

Some people like cats _____ than dog.

- A. best B. better C. more best D. most better

QUESTION 3

They do not _____ cheque payments in the restaurant.

- A. accept B. allow C. agree D. except

QUESTION 4

The *American* missionaries went to their old school and donated some books.

The word *American* in the above sentence is used as _____.

- A. a noun B. an adverb C. an adjective D. a verb

QUESTION 5

I cannot go to school because I have a very bad tooth _____.

- A. pain B. hurt C. damage D. ache

QUESTION 6

Can you hear what he is _____?

- A. saying B. speaking C. telling D. talking

QUESTION 7

Do you _____ if I use you mobile phone to call my mother?

- A. like B. worry C. agree D. mind
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QUESTION 8

What is the most sensible question for this answer?

“Grandfather gave him a spear.”

- A. What do grandfather give him? B. What did grandfather give him?
 C. What did grandfather gave him? D. What does grandfather give him?

QUESTION 9

Which list of words is grouped in alphabetical order?

- A. eat enough emotion enter encourage
 B. eat enough emotion encourage enter
 C. eat emotion encourage enter enough
 D. eat emotion encourage enough enter

QUESTION 10

Which of the sentences below is correctly punctuated?

- A. My brothers puppy went missing after lunch yesterday.
 B. My brothers puppy went missing, after lunch yesterday.
 C. My brother’s puppy went missing after lunch yesterday.
 D. My brothers’ puppy went missing after lunch yesterday

For questions 11 and 12, refer to the poem below.

Golden Arms

The birds get the sun up
 It stretches its glorious hands
 They begin to part the clouds
 And make them shake their saliva
 In the valley below it is dark;

The village is quiet.
 But suddenly *the arm shoots in*
 It brightens up with a smile
 The dew pools get dry
 The doors open
 The chickens go out.
 Your glorious arms bring the golden day.

By Theresa George

QUESTION 11

The title ‘Golden Arms’ refers to the _____.

- A. Rising Sun B. Bird Wings
 C. Gathering Clouds D. Quiet Village

QUESTION 12

‘...*the arm shoots in*’ (line 7) is an example of _____.

- A. a simile B. a metaphor
 C. an idiom D. a symbol

For questions 13 to 16, refer to the text below.

JUSTINE

It was the first day of the new school year. Justin is in trouble with his teacher. Justine is telling the story.

I twisted back around and put my head on my desk. I was so mad! I wanted to turn around and yell that it wasn't fair and I didn't do it. I smoothed out my paper.

I wrote

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A

D

and stared at the letters for a moment before I began to fill in the lines next to them. By the time I had finished writing I felt better and I had an idea. I did the work sheet as quickly as I could and then got out a clean sheet of paper and wrote:

Dear Mrs. Richardson,

This year I am not a troublemaker. I am a poet.

My fists tighten, and my head hurts

As I try not to yell that I

Did not throw the paper!

Please, can I move my desk back to where
it belongs?

Justin

As I signed my name, Mrs. Richardson started calling groups to line up for recess. She called me last, but instead of lining up, I brought my paper to her.

She looked at the paper with surprise 'Justin, I am so sorry!' she exclaimed.

'Thank you for telling me in such a mature way. We'll move your desk as soon as we get back from recess.'

QUESTION 13

Justin said 'I had an idea.'

The idea that Justin had was to _____.

A smooth out his paper

B. move his desk

C. write a letter

D. yell out that it wasn't fair

For questions 19 to 22, refer to the text below.

THE FLOWERPOT SNAKE

There is an intriguing type of snake found in Australia called the Flowerpot Snake. This species of snake gets its name from its unusual habit of making a home in people's pot plants.

Flowerpot Snakes belong to the group of snakes known as Blind Snakes, a very secretive group of snakes that spend most of their time underground. They appear to have lost most of the use of their eyes and can only tell the difference between night and day. Although Flowerpot Snakes do have eyes they are often confused with worms because they look very similar and both live in the soil.

Like all Black Snakes, the Flowerpot Snake spends most of its life underground where it feeds on ants. When confronted by a predator, this fascinating little snake can emit a nasty smelling solution similar to that of a skunk.

But perhaps the most interesting thing about this snake is that all members of its species are female, and they reproduce by making clones, or exact copies of themselves.

They were accidentally brought into Australia in a pot plant. Because only one snake is needed to colonize an area, the Flowerpot Snake was able to establish itself in Australia.

QUESTION 19

The name of the Flowerpot Snake comes from _____.

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|----|--------------------------|----|------------------------------|
| A. | how the snake smells | B. | where the snake feeds |
| C. | how the snake reproduces | D. | where the snake can be found |

QUESTION 20

Blind snakes spend most of their time _____.

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|----|-------------|----|---------------|
| A. | feeding | B. | in pot plants |
| C. | underground | D. | making clones |

QUESTION 21

How does the Flowerpot Snake protect itself from enemies?

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|----|-------------------------|----|---------------------------|
| A. | It bites. | B. | It releases venom. |
| C. | It confronts predators. | D. | It gives off a bad smell. |

QUESTION 22

The author of this passage thinks that Flowerpot Snakes are _____.

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|----|---------------------|----|-----------------------------|
| A. | friendly and useful | B. | fascinating and strange |
| C. | dangerous and scary | D. | secretive and hard to catch |
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For questions 23 to 25, refer to the text below.

Snoring

What is snoring?

Snoring happens when a person's throat muscles relax during sleep. The person then tries to breathe through too small an opening in the back of the throat. This causes the soft mouth tissues to quiver and make a snoring noise.

Who snores?

One survey showed that fewer women snore than men. Only 28% of the women questioned were regular snorers compared with 44% of the men. 20% of children snored occasionally, whilst 10% snored every night.

Causes

The level of snoring can be made worse by excess weight, alcohol intake and smoking. The use of sleeping pills or sleeping on your back can also lead to snoring.

Solutions

Lifestyle changes such as losing weight, taking more exercise, stopping smoking and avoiding alcohol can help stop snoring. Raising your head with pillows may also help. If all else fails, try becoming an astronaut. Astronauts rarely snore while they are in space. This is because at zero gravity the throat muscles are less likely to collapse!

QUESTION 23

The document suggests that a person can help to stop snoring by _____.

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|----------------------------|------------------------------|
| A. losing surplus weight | B. sleeping without a pillow |
| C. taking sleeping tablets | D. sleeping on one's back |

QUESTION 24

According to the document, which of the following statements is **true**?

- A. The quivering of tissues in the nose causes snoring.
- B. Snoring occurs when throat muscles tighten in sleep.
- C. Men are more likely to snore than women.
- D. Zero gravity causes the throat muscles to collapse.

QUESTION 25

Under which paragraph heading would the information 'Older people snore more than young people' come?

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| A. What is snoring? | B. Solutions |
| C. Causes | D. Who snores? |
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PART B: SHORT ANSWERS**(QUESTIONS 26 to 48)****22 MARKS**

For questions 26 to 30, refer to the information below.

Each line has only ONE error or mistake. The error may be in punctuation, spelling or grammar.

Draw a circle around the word (error) of each line on the ANSWER SHEET.

QUESTION 26 Because a mosquito can bite many people in the course of it's life,

QUESTION 27 it can carry diseases from one person to another very easy. Two of the

QUESTION 28 more deadly diseases carried by mosquitoes are malaria and yellow fever.

QUESTION 29 More then 700 million people become sick from these diseases every

QUESTION 30 year. At laest 2 million of these people will die from these diseases.

For questions 31 to 35, refer to the information below.

Select the most appropriate word from the group of words below.

Write the word on the answer sheet.

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Throughout the ages, birds have _____ **31** _____ a source of wonder to all who have
_____ **32** _____ their soaring flights or listened to their sweet songs. As a group, birds are
_____ **33** _____ because they are the only animals covered _____ **34** _____ feathers. This
evolutionary development _____ **35** _____ birds from all other animals.

For questions 36 and 37, complete each sentence with the most suitable word.

QUESTION 36

My sister is very happy _____ she starts on her new job today.

QUESTION 37

I am looking _____ a birthday present for my small sister.

For questions 38 to 47, refer to information below.

Each word must make sense and be CORRECT in grammar, spelling and punctuation.

Across the Pacific

The Pacific Ocean covers one-third of the _____ **38** _____ surface.

Small islands are sprinkled across the enormous blue expanse and often isolated from each _____ **39** _____ by great areas of sea. The islands that make _____ **40** _____ Polynesia (meaning ‘many islands’) were settled by seafarers from places that are now called Indonesia and Malaysia. These people spread gradually across the Pacific looking _____ **41** _____ new lands to settle. Between 2000 BC and 1000 AD, they navigated incredible distances in sturdy dugout canoes, ‘reading’ changes in the swell of the sea, the patterns of the stars and _____ **42** _____ easterly winds.

They brought with _____ **43** _____ a patterned pottery called *Lapita*, which has become _____ **44** _____ archaeological clue to their movements. The settlers adapted to the different environments they found, from the dry atolls to the lush and fertile volcanic islands. They reached Tonga _____ **45** _____ Samoa by at least 1000 BC and developed their own customs and a society that was ruled _____ **46** _____ chiefs. By about 1000 AD, Polynesians _____ **47** _____ reached Easter Island, New Zealand and the easterly islands of Hawaii.

PART C**EXTENDED RESPONSE****(QUESTIONS 48 – 50)****3 Marks**

For questions 48 to 50, refer to the letter below.

<p>Daru Primary School P.O.Box 12 Daru Western Province</p> <p>Dear Sir,</p> <p>SUBJECT: OUTSTANDING SCHOOL FEE</p> <p>Thank you for your letter dated 2nd July regarding the outstanding school fee of K250-00 for my daughter Lalo Gegeyo in grade 8B.</p> <p>Sir, my record shows that I have paid the school fee in full at the beginning of Term One. Should any matter arise regarding the above subject, please don't hesitate to contact me on 72004145. I am enclosing the copy of the school fee bank deposit receipt for your convenience.</p> <p>Yours faithfully <i>Ben Gegeyo</i></p> <p>Ben Gegeyo cc: Class Teacher – Mrs. Lina Makus</p>	<p>C/ United Church P.O. Box 64 Daru Western Province</p>
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QUESTION 48

What is the main idea of the letter?

QUESTION 49

What evidence is there to prove that the school fee was paid?

QUESTION 50

What is one very important information that is missing from the letter?

END OF EXAMINATION