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STANDARD EIGHT

SECOND PREDICTION - 2020



TIME: 1HR 40MINS

ENGLISH LANGUAGE

READ THESE INSTRUCTIONS CAREFULLY

1. You have been given this question booklet and a separate answer sheet. The question paper contains 50 questions.
2. Do any necessary rough work in this booklet.
3. When you have chosen your answer, mark it on the ANSWER SHEET, not in this question booklet.

HOW TO USE THE ANSWER SHEET

4. Use an ordinary pencil only.
5. Make sure you have written on the answer sheet.

YOUR INDEX NUMBER

YOUR NAME

NAME OF YOUR SCHOOL

6. By drawing a dark line inside the correct numbered boxes mark your full Index Number (i.e. School Code Number and the three-figure Candidate's Number) in the grid near the top of the answer sheet.
7. Do not make any marks outside the brackets [].
8. Keep the sheet as clean as possible and **DO NOT FOLD IT**.
9. For each of the questions 1-50 four answers are given. The answers are lettered **A,B,C,D**. In each case only **ONE** of the four answers is correct. Choose the correct answer.
10. On the answer sheet the correct answer is to be shown by drawing a dark line inside the box in which the letter you have chosen is written.

Example:-

In the question paper.

16. Choose the correctly spelt word.

- A. woollen
- B. recieve
- C. acqintance
- D. lighteng

The correct answer is **A. (woollen)**.

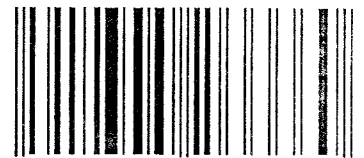
On the answer sheet

8. [A] [B] [C] [D]

16. [A] [B] [C] [D]

18. [A] [B] [C] [D]

24. [A] [B] [C] [D]



In the second set, the box with the letter **A** printed in it is marked.

11. Your dark line **MUST** be within the brackets.
12. For each question **ONLY ONE** bracket is to be marked in each of four brackets.

This question paper consist of 7 printed pages.



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The broken passage below contains blank spaces numbered 1 to 15. For each blank space, choose the BEST alternative from the choices given.

Saying I am sorry _____ 1 _____ you need to is the _____ 2 _____ thing to do. It does _____ 3 _____ good. But by itself. It might not be enough to _____ 4 _____ everything all _____ 5 _____ again. Sometimes along _____ 6 _____ an apology a person needs to fix the _____ 7 _____ or promise to do better. Sometimes doing a nice thing for the person after you apologize _____ 8 _____ to show that you really are sorry and want to be friendly again.

_____ 9 _____, a heartfelt "I am sorry" fixes everything right away. Other times _____ 10 _____ it might take a while for someone to feel friendly after you _____ 11 _____. You might need to give the other _____ 12 _____ some time. Even after you say you are sorry, you might still feel bad about what you said _____ 13 _____ did - but you can feel good about apologizing and about _____ 14 _____ up your mind to do better. It is _____ 15 _____ very important to always say sorry.

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|---------------------|-----------------|--------------|--------------|
| 1. A. when | B. because | C. as | D. while |
| 2. A. clever | B. bright | C. wrong | D. right |
| 3. A. much | B. enough | C. a lot of | D. a lot |
| 4. A. create | B. make | C. see | D. do |
| 5. A. good | B. better | C. best | D. well |
| 6. A. with | B. by | C. in | D. over |
| 7. A. crime | B. offence | C. wrongs | D. mistake |
| 8. A. assist | B. consoles | C. helps | D. comfort |
| 9. A. Occassionally | B. Rarely | C. Sometimes | D. Oftenly |
| 10. A. ; | B. , | C. : | D. ! |
| 11. A. regret | B. confess | C. apologize | D. feel |
| 12. A. person | B. individual | C. people | D. person's |
| 13. A. and | B. but | C. yet | D. or |
| 14. A. taking | B. making | C. bunging | D. causing |
| 15. A. moreover | B. nevethelless | C. truly | D. therefore |

For questions 16 to 18, choose the alternative that best completes the given sentences.

16. There wasn't _____ milk in the jug.
A. a lot of
B. lots
C. much
D. much more
17. _____ you help me to carry this briefcase, please?
A. Might
B. Could
C. Should
D. Must
18. Aunt Depora gave _____ and _____ a piece of cake each.
A. her, me
B. me, her
C. I, she
D. she, I

For questions 19 to 23, choose the alternative that means the same as the underlined word.

19. The noise made by the elephants was frightening.
A. trumpeting
B. neighing
C. baying
D. barking
20. Should you visit her later you may find her sleeping
A. If you visit her later, you will find her sleeping.
B. When you visit her later, you are likely to find her sleeping.
C. When you visit her late, you will find her sleeping.
D. If you visit her late, you are likely to find her sleeping.

21. It took them several weeks to get over the loss.
A. beat
B. recover
C. overcome
D. humiliate

22. Close the door.

- A. Tell the door be closed.
B. Can the door be closed?
C. Let the door be closed.
D. Allow the door to be closed.

23. "What have you been reading since morning?" Father asked me.

- A. Father asked me what I had read since morning.
B. Father asked me what I had been reading since morning.
C. Father asked me what had I been reading since morning.
D. Father asked me what I would be reading since morning.

For questions 24 and 25, choose the correctly punctuated sentence.

24. A. My five-years-old sister has joined Grade One.
B. Your's was rejected.
C. The man gave me a fifty-shilling note.
C. Its a hot day today.
25. A. "Where is Omar going?" asked Timaini.
B. "Come here!" The teacher shouted.
C. "Keep the books safely." said mother.
D. "What a fantastic goal!" Exclaimed the coach.

Read the passage below and then answer questions 26 to 38.

For several weeks now, I have seen my daughter study the Kenyan constitution like her life depends on it. I did not think much of it. Until today in the morning when I was walking her to school and she proudly told me about her change of career. I am using the word change because for the past four years, Anyango has changed careers more times than a Kenyan politician switching political parties during party primaries I guess all children go through this phase.

These are truly changing times. At one time Anyango was dead set on becoming a journalist. She even knew the university she wanted to attend. I came to realize that she wanted to be a journalist because of television advertisements from a local private university. The advertisements were being fronted by famous Kenyan media personalities who were alumni of that university.

Then there was a time she said she wanted to be a doctor. Anyango has got a heart of gold. I am guessing she saw some human suffering and she told herself that getting into the medical profession would help hurting souls. Another time, she swore that she wanted to be a singer. She even started writing songs, and they formed a group with some of her friend. Anyango is a cartoon freak. Although, of late, she is into Bollywood series. Two years ago, she asked me how cartoons are created I told her that a script was the foundation of such creation ventures.

That is how she decided that she wanted to be a scriptwriter. Whenever she worked on my computer, I would find files saved in the desktop with the titles like "My script" or "Cartoon script". And then like always she moved on to the next career. Anyango has changed career tunes so many times that I stopped taking count. But I have never stopped taking her serious. If it's serious to her, then that's how I am going to treat it.

What is a parent supposed to do? The golden rule for parents is to support the career choice of their offspring, and not to shove their preference down children's throats. But what is a parent supposed to do when your child keeps changing her career choices? And when is the right time to take a child seriously?

I think there are some of the questions that the Competence Based Curriculum should try to ensure. If I had massively invested time and resources each time Anyango said she wanted to follow a particular career path, I would be licking my financial wounds. Or my investment would have turned her spark of interest into a wildfire.

In such matters, when children are still this young, it's always a matter of trial and error..... or trial and prayer. Keep encouraging them until they truly find their footing.

26. The writer's daughter
- loves reading the constitution
 - has had interest in the constitution.
 - has been reading for several weeks.
 - depends on the constitution for her life.
27. ... **walking her to school** ... means
- escorting her to school.
 - forcing her to go to school.
 - imparting knowledge to her.
 - proudly buying her school materials.
28. Why do you think the girl kept changing her career?
- As a growing up child it is the routine.
 - Just like Kenyan politicians who switch parties.
 - It is a common thing among children.
 - As she grew up, she discovered her interest and talent.
29. Why did Anyango want to become a journalist?
- She was young and unexposed.
 - She was influenced by television advertisements.
 - University alumni convinced her.
 - She knew the university she wanted to offer.
30. How do we know that Anyango is compassionate?
- She has a heart of gold.
 - She watched a movie recently on suffering.
 - The father is only guessing.
 - She hates seeing other people suffering.
31. Anyango began composing songs because she
- wanted to become a singer.
 - got friends who loved singing.
 - had no way of singing other people's song.
 - had nothing important to do.
32. The words **a cartoon freak**.... have been used to mean a person who
- is obsessed with cartoons.
 - fears cartoons.
 - creates cartoons.
 - hates cartoons.
33. In order to create a cartoons movie, you need
- a venture
 - a script
 - animals
 - real people
34. Why did Anyango's father stop taking count of her careers?
- She had many files on the computer.
 - She has changed so many careers.
 - She has grown to realize her interest.
 - She keeps convincing the father to help her.
35. According to the passage, a parent should
- change careers just like their children.
 - not interfere with other people's affairs.
 - co-operate to make everything a success.
 - support their children at all times.
36. What do we learn about some parents according to the passage? They
- support their children all through in terms of career.
 - want to learn CBC to help their children.
 - force their children to take the careers they prefer.
 - never take things seriously.
37. Anyango's father did not use money on Anyango's career choices.
- although he supported her in decision making.
 - so he is licking financial wounds.
 - because he knew the consequences.
 - Anyango has not turned into a fire.
38. The best title for the passage above would be
- Careers keep changing in life.
 - Parents should support and encourage their children on careers.
 - Children are stubborn in career choices.
 - How to find your career choice.

Read the passage below and then answer questions 39 to 50.

We know so many games in the world but football is the most important and famous. The term football has a romance of its own. It is indeed a word of millions to conjure with.

Football is such a excitement and evoking game. It was originally played at a village called Rugby in Italy. There are two opinions about the football game. The first opinion from experts, who are the discipline creative in football says the game originated from China. But this could not be substantially ratified.

A football game is played between two opposite team players. Each team consists of eleven players. In the old method one goalkeeper, two full backs, three half-backs and five forwards made the line-up. The Centre half had the pivotal role. This system is now treated to be obsolete.

The duration of the game in the international contest is a period of ninety minutes divided into two halves of forty-five minutes each. Between each half, there is a break for not more than fifteen minutes. One referee assisted by two linesmen conduct the games.

The game in the past was played robustly and mostly with the application of physical strength. But now the pattern has changed for the better. A good scheme in the forward line is indeed, a veritable artist, successful defenders play the game with perfect anticipation, neat tackling, superb head-work and sudden burst of overlapping. A competitive game in progress is, surely, a fascinating treat to watch.

To play football is a good physical exercise. This game almost played in all the schools and colleges encourages and fosters learners. It is very beneficial for good health. The game of football is a great source of entertainment. This game gives fresh mind and body. Even the spectators of football are so filled up with enthusiasm that they forget the worries of their daily life.

The game of football fosters team spirit among the players especially among the younger people. People gather together to play the game together. Football is a team sport that involves kicking a ball with the foot to score a goal.

Football is a very popular sport, a fact proven by the presence of two hundred and fifty million players across the world. It attracts huge fan followings and often elevates to iconic levels. The glamorization of football is not without reason.

Professional football players start playing early on in their childhood for local clubs and play for several small teams before getting selected for high ranking teams. Individuals with a deep passion for the game coupled with a love for physical activity make ideal football players.

39. From the first sentences we learn that football is
- popular.
 - well known.
 - special.
 - less important.
40. According to the first paragraph
- there are numerous games known worldwide.
 - it is romantic to play football.
 - it is indeed a world of millions.
 - football is one of the most important games.
41. What are the roots of football?
- Brazil
 - Mexico
 - German
 - Rugby in Italy
42. The word 'expert' can be replaced by
- sportsman.
 - amateur.
 - conjure.
 - skillful.
43. At any given time a game of football has
- twenty-two players.
 - eleven players.
 - twenty players.
 - ten player.
44. A pivotal role is one which is
- least important.
 - very important.
 - more important.
 - central.
45. The half time break takes
- at most fifteen minutes.
 - at least fifteen minutes.
 - precisely fifteen minutes.
 - exactly fifteen minutes.
46. Football played today is
- purely the application of physical strength.
 - more of skill than physical strength.
 - worse than the one played in the past.
 - more complex and not so interesting.
47. When does football become interesting to watch?
- When it is competitive.
 - When in progress.
 - When it is fascinating.
 - When two giants are squaring it out.
48. Three of the following are true about football **except**
- it helps spectators forget their daily life worries.
 - it fosters learners.
 - it is a great source of entertainment.
 - it freshens the body and mind of both players and spectators.
49. Team work and the spirit of togetherness is cemented by the fact that
- we kick the ball with the foot.
 - no one can play football alone and enjoy.
 - we score more goals and make it thrilling.
 - ideal football players start playing early.
50. An ideal football player
- is seen in his early childhood.
 - has passion for the game and is physically active.
 - comes up with new skills daily.
 - must play for high ranking teams.