

STD 7 END TERM 2 EXAM 2019

ENGLISH

I. YOUR NAME _____

II. NAME OF YOUR SCHOOL _____

Read the passage below. It contains blank spaces numbered 1 to 15. For each blank space, choose the best alternative from the choices given.

In the middle of it __ 1 __, Simiyu walked __ 2 __ out to the footpath in front __ 3 __ Aunt Mary. In his hands were a __ 4 __ of paint and a big brush. He __ 5 __ the ball fence and sadness filled his heart. It must be close to half a mile long, he was thinking. Life was __ 6 __ and living was a pain. He put his brush in the paint and __ 7 __ it __ 8 __ the top of the fence. He did this again and then looked at how __ 9 __ was painted and how much more needed to be painted. Before he __ 10 __ be free, he rested on a box, feeling __ 11 __.

Simiyu came __ 12 __ of the house with a water bucket. In the past, Simiyu __ 13 __ liked to go to the well for water. But now it looked like a __ 14 __ job than painting the fence. Children were __ 15 __ at the well waiting for water. As they waited, they played, had fights, rested and talked.

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| 1. A. all | B. enough | C. again | D. both |
| 2. A. quickly | B. quick | C. slow | D. slowly |
| 3. A. at | B. in | C. on | D. of |
| 4. A. basket | B. bag | C. sack | D. bucket |
| 5. A. looked for | B. looked forward | C. looked at | D. looked in |
| 6. A. fulfilling | B. exciting | C. interesting | D. empty |
| 7. A. walked | B. ran | C. moved | D. jumped |
| 8. A. cross | B. across | C. a long | D. along |
| 9. A. a little | B. few | C. a few | D. little |
| 10. A. could | B. should | C. would | D. might |
| 11. A. discouraged | B. encouraged | C. impressed | D. depleted |
| 12. A. in | B. out | C. off | D. on |
| 13. A. ever | B. neither | C. either | D. never |
| 14. A. worse | B. stronger | C. weaker | D. better |
| 15. A. never | B. alway | C. always | D. normal |

For questions 16 - 17, complete the sentence correctly

16. This cat is too weak.
- A. that it can run
 - B. so it can run
 - C. to run
 - D. than it can run

17. I hate the thought _____
- A. to do work
 - B. doing work
 - C. of doing work
 - D. with doing work

Select the opposite of the underlined word

18. This is the uncommon way of doing things.
- A. expensive
 - B. usually
 - C. usual
 - D. never

19. This year there was enough rain.

- A. sufficient
- B. scarcity
- C. common
- D. few

For questions 20 and 21, choose the correct order of adjectives.

20. John had a _____ ring.

- A. blue, big, beautiful
- B. beautiful, big, blue
- C. big, beautiful, blue
- D. blue, beautiful, big

21. I have _____ plate.

- A. plastic, round, small
- B. round, small, plastic
- C. round, plastic, small
- D. small, round, plastic

Which sentence means the same as the one given.

22. I ought to do the work
- A. I wish I could do the work
 - B. I will do the work
 - C. I might do the work
 - D. I must do the work

Choose the correct question tag.

23. There will be a competition today, _____?

- A. isn't there
- B. shan't there
- C. won't there
- D. willn't there

24. I am going now, _____?

- A. amn't I
- B. aren't I
- C. don't I
- D. isn't I

Complete the sentence.

25. We arrived when it was raining _____

- A. slowly
- B. hardly
- C. heavy
- D. heavily

Read the passage below and answer questions 26 - 38.

Falco limped down the great staircase of the summer palace. He had been waiting all morning for a visit from Luciano and, he hoped, Georgia. But no one had come. The palace was deserted and quiet and Falco's courage was beginning to fail. It was all very well to talk boldly of his new life in Georgia's world when he was with the young Stravagante, but what if his plan didn't work? The talisman might not take him. Suppose he got horribly stranded between one world and the other? The half life that he led here was better than no life at all and at least he was used to it.

And, if it did work, Falco knew how much his family would miss him, particularly Gaetano and their father. But ever since he had heard about the Duke's plan to send him into the church without any vocation he had known that his father viewed him differently from his other sons, "I won't be a disappointment to him," he vowed I'd rather not be here at all."

Falco looked down the staircase at how many steps he had yet to descend, then back up behind him to see how far he had travelled out of the corner of his eye, he glimpsed a blue cloak whisking behind a pillar. He had seen it a few times before there was someone else staying in the house besides himself and servants.

But then the bell at the great door began jingling and a footman ushered in Luciano, Falco was pleased to see him, even though he entered alone. The young Stravagante took the stairs two at a time and was in front of Falco before the boy knew it.

"I'm sorry I didn't come sooner," he said... "But I have been in the town all morning on another errand. We need to talk somewhere privately.

26. Falco went to _____
 A. great staircase B. summer region
 C. summer palace D. a deserted home
27. According to the story, "He had been waiting all the morning." It means that
 A. he was waiting for the whole day
 B. he waited for than a day
 C. he had waited for the good part of the day
 D. he just waited for a short time
28. The word **deserted** as used in the passage means
 A. a dry land B. abandoned
 C. occupied D. rested
29. The main character's of the story lived in
 A. Stravagante B. Georgia
 C. Falco D. Ralph
30. If the talisman would not take him, what would happen?
 A. Happy B. Stranded
 C. Sad D. Angered
31. From the first paragraph we can conclusively say
 A. Falco lived a better life
 B. Falco had visited the place for assistance
 C. Falco had lived a bad life before therefore he was used to any life
 D. Falco was a stranded man
32. From the story if things did not work, who would miss Falco greatly?
 A. Wife B. Family
 C. Mother D. Gaetano
33. What did Duke want to do with Falco?
 A. Arrest him
 B. Jail him
 C. Banish him
 D. Send him in the church
34. What was the strange thing with the church?
 A. It was far
 B. It had no leaders
 C. It was for peculiar people
 D. Had no holidays
35. Falco looked where he had come from and where he was going then he was
 A. encouraged B. happy
 C. discouraged D. tired
36. "A blue cloak whisking behind a pillar" indicated
 A. deserted home
 B. presence of people
 C. a person resided there
 D. presence of many people
37. The jingling of the bell _____
 A. showed that Falcon was late
 B. gave Falcon hope
 C. killed the morals of Falcon
 D. never touched Falcon
38. Why was Luciano late?
 A. Because of the staircase
 B. Because of the distance barrier
 C. Because he over slept
 D. Because of other activities in the towns

Read the passage below then answer questions 39 - 50.

Since we were preparing for the end term exmanations, the headteacher encouraged us to do the evening studies at school. He thought that we would make a better use of the time than if we studied at home. Unfortunately, we did very little in terms of serious work. Whenever there was no supervision, we engaged in endless mischief.

Wamaitha and I lived further than all the other pupils. We had to cross a river and climb a steep hill before reaching the school. The footpath was covered by thick bushes on either side. Homes in this area were few and scattered one felt unsafe walking along the path even during the day. At night it was lonely and quiet, dreadfully quiet. It was said that wild dogs and leopards roamed the neighbourhood particularly at night and once in a while we didn't hear the howling of these dogs very distincTily. My blood froze. I needed Wamaitha's company very badly but I was scared of him because he behaved strangely. He would quicken his pace and being imitating the wailing and sharling of the wild dogs. I would cling to him begging him to stop it but he wouldn't pay any attention. He seemed to enjoy every moment of it. Formless terrors would seize me and I would imagine myself being eaten up by a monster. Like ever coward I must have died many times. Somehow I didn't

imagine that Wamaitha would also suffer 't real danger a rose.

There was a storm one evening and on our way home we discovered that the wooden bridge had been washed away. Normally, it was possible to jump across the river, but it was dark and we didn't attempt to jump across. It was risky. I prayed earnestly. Perhaps Wamaitha prayed too.

"You first coward," he jeered. I walked a few metres back and then came running at top speed. I landed on dry land on the other side of the river. But I don't know what happened to Wamaitha because he fell with splash in the middle of the impatient river. The strong current washed him away and I thought she had gone for good. Then I heard him call me. I was so happy and felt relieved. Water had pushed him to the banks.

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| <p>39. What was the essence of the evening studies?</p> <p>A. In readiness for the KCPE
B. In readiness for end term exam
C. To develop the reading culture
D. To prepare them to be responsible</p> <p>40. From the first paragraph did he evening studies help?</p> <p>A. Yes
B. No
C. Very little
D. Helped few</p> <p>41. Why were the paths unsafe walking alone?</p> <p>A. Thick forest
B. Few people
C. Dangerous animals
D. They were always two</p> <p>42. Which animals roamed the neighbourhood?</p> <p>A. Herbivorous
B. Carnivorous
C. Predators
D. Decomposer</p> <p>43. Wamaitha and the writer were always together because</p> <p>A. they were friends
B. they lived together
C. they were relatives
D. they had a common problem</p> <p>44. The writer never liked the behaviour of Wamaitha because</p> <p>A. he was big
B. he was mischievous
C. he liked to imitate wailing and sharling of the wild dogs
D. he would leave her alone</p> | <p>45. What did Wamaitha do whenever the writer started his behaviour?</p> <p>A. Start crying
B. Pleading for mercy
C. Start praying
D. Plead with him to stop and cling to him</p> <p>46. Between Wamaitha and the writer who was more coward?</p> <p>A. Both
B. None
C. The writer
D. Wamaitha</p> <p>47. The pupils could not jump the river because</p> <p>A. they feared
B. the bridge had been washed
C. the river was deep
D. were not sure with the spread of water</p> <p>48. The only thing that would have helped the two pupils at the river was</p> <p>A. their strength
B. their skills of tripple jump
C. their prayers to God
D. their fear</p> <p>49. What is the opposite of the word jeered?</p> <p>A. Clapped
B. Congratulated
C. Happy
D. Cheered</p> <p>50. What moral lesson can we learn from the story?</p> <p>A. Jokers will always fail
B. Cowards will succeed
C. Never celebrate until you have succeeded
D. Earthly pay is here</p> |
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