

# STANDARD 5 ENGLISH

## MID-TERM 1 2020

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

He limped 1 me. I could tell from 2 distance there was something 3. When he 4 where I was I asked if I 5 be of help to him. Shockingly, he 6 not talk. He was actually deaf and 7. The boy used signs and 8. I finally realised what he wanted to 9 me. He was 10. I stretched 11 my hand to him, 12 him the only packet of milk I had. He 13 me and happily walked away. I 14 glad because I had helped a 15 person.

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|-----|-------------|-------------|-------------|--------------|
| 1.  | A. forward  | B. towards  | C. for      | D. on        |
| 2.  | A. far      | B. an       | C. a        | D. long      |
| 3.  | A. rong     | B. long     | C. good     | D. wrong     |
| 4.  | A. rich     | B. leached  | C. riched   | D. reached   |
| 5.  | A. could    | B. must     | C. will     | D. can't     |
| 6.  | A. couldn't | B. could    | C. won't    | D. didn't    |
| 7.  | A. numb     | B. dumb     | C. dump     | D. silent    |
| 8.  | A. words    | B. drawing  | C. gestures | D. facials   |
| 9.  | A. say      | B. talk     | C. saying   | D. tell      |
| 10. | A. hunger   | B. thirst   | C. weak     | D. hungry    |
| 11. | A. out      | B. over     | C. on       | D. up        |
| 12. | A. handling | B. hundling | C. give     | D. gave      |
| 13. | A. grateful | B. smile    | C. thanked  | D. thank you |
| 14. | A. was      | B. are      | C. is       | D. will      |
| 15. | A. helpful  | B. needs    | C. needing  | D. needy     |

*For questions 16 to 18, choose the best alternative to fill in the blanks.*

16. I asked him a question and he \_\_\_\_\_.
- A. nod  
B. nods  
C. nodded  
D. nodding
17. The children are \_\_\_\_\_ in the pool.
- A. swimming  
B. swam  
C. swum  
D. swim
18. When Mutua won the race, his mother \_\_\_\_\_ him on the back.
- A. patting  
B. pat  
C. have pat  
D. patted

*For questions 19 to 21 choose the correct alternative to complete the sentences.*

19. Mr. Mwalili bought \_\_\_\_\_.
- A. cows, goats and sheep.  
B. cows, goats, sheep.  
C. cows, goats sheep.  
D. cows and goats sheep.
20. The woman we saw at the market was selling \_\_\_\_\_.
- A. mangoes, apples, oranges.  
B. mangoes and apples and oranges.  
C. mangoes, apples and oranges.  
D. mangoes apples oranges.

*For questions 21, change the following sentence into plural.*

21. He has bought a goose for lunch.
- A. They have bought geese for lunches.  
B. They have bought goose for lunch.  
C. They have bought geeses for lunch.  
D. They have bought geese for lunch.

*For questions 22 and 23, choose the correct pronoun.*

22. \_\_\_\_\_ were rescued by a passing ship near the lonely island.
- A. Our  
B. Me  
C. Us  
D. We

23. Mother and \_\_\_\_\_ collected sea shells at the sea shore.
- A. me  
B. I  
C. they  
D. we

*For questions 24, choose the correct sentence.*

24. A. Your name is Mr. Maingi?  
B. Is your naming Mr. Maingi?  
C. You are called how?  
D. Are you Mr. Amimo?

*For questions 25 and 26, choose the correctly spelt word.*

25. A. Bycicle.  
B. Bicycle.  
C. Bycircle.  
D. Bicile.
26. A. Madgurd.  
B. Mudguard.  
C. Madgaud.  
D. Mudgourd.

*For questions 27 and 28, fill in the gaps using the correct answer from the choices given.*

27. One of the hunters discovered the lion's \_\_\_\_\_.
- A. kennel.  
B. house.  
C. den.  
D. hatch.
28. She insisted on building her dog a comfortable \_\_\_\_\_.
- A. house.  
B. kennel.  
C. hatch.  
D. sty.

*For questions 29 and 30, use the correct punctuation mark to fill in the blanks.*

29. Today we are learning Maths \_\_\_\_\_ English and Kiswahili.
- A. .  
B. '  
C. ,  
D. ;
30. What are you doing \_\_\_\_\_.
- A. ,  
B. ?  
C. ''  
D. ''

Read the passage below and answer questions 31 to 40.

At the moment, the world is faced with more problems than we can count. Everybody including men and women are unhappy and are struggling to make ends meet. Young people like us are not spared. We are as troubled as the **grown-ups**. Fortunately, I can see light at the end of the tunnel, especially in Kenya. Young people in Kenya are becoming aware of these problems and are willing to solve them. Many young people are trying to make the world a better place to live in. The youth in Kenya have dreams of a bright future for all Kenyan young people; in school, out of school and even those who are unemployed.

I want to become great and change Kenya for the better. Given a chance, I will create a country free from poverty, violence, drug abuse, diseases, unemployment and tribalism. I will preach love. I have seen what lack of love for one another can do. We fight and kill each other because we do not know love.

I want to be the messenger of love and peace. I will preach love and peace and Kenya will **descend** from the highest peak of Mt. Kenya to the green and beautiful Rift Valley and the shores of the blue Indian Ocean. That is my dream for our beloved country Kenya. Let us join hands, brothers, sisters and preach peace and love. Let us build a country in which we are all brothers and sisters. Let us all share this wonderful dream and make it a reality.

31. Which of the following sentences is true?  
A. The world is faced with few problems.  
B. There are many problems in the world.  
C. There are more problems in the world.  
D. There are no more problems in the world.
32. Who is not affected by the problems in the world?  
A. Young people.      B. Men.  
C. Women.            D. Nobody.
33. The word grown-ups in paragraph two means \_\_\_\_\_  
A. young people.      B. men.  
C. adults.              D. women.
34. According to the passage, who is willing to solve problems in Kenya?  
A. The government.  
B. Young people.  
C. Old men.  
D. Young men.
35. The Kenyan youth have dreams of a bright future for \_\_\_\_\_  
A. all Kenyans.  
B. the young people in Kenya.  
C. the unemployed only.  
D. the youth in schools only.
36. Why does the writer want to be great?  
A. To make Kenya a better place.  
B. To become rich and famous.  
C. To create a country of poverty and violence.  
D. To change Kenya for worse.
37. According to the writer, Kenya will be free from the following except  
A. violence, tribalism, drug abuse.  
B. poverty, hatred, tribalism.  
C. love, peace, violence.  
D. peace, love, joy.
38. What do people who don't know love do?  
A. Fight and kill each other.  
B. Love and live in peace.  
C. Kill and forgive each other.  
D. Encourage peace and love.
39. When the writer makes Kenya a better place, there will be \_\_\_\_\_  
A. more tribalism, poverty and hatred.  
B. more peace, love and poverty.  
C. no love, peace and tribalism.  
D. no poverty, hatred or tribalism.
40. Which is the best title for this passage?  
A. What is wrong with Kenya?  
B. My dream for Kenya.  
C. Messenger of peace, love and hatred.  
D. How to become great in life.

Read the passage below and answer questions 41 to 50

The Hare was a very **cunning** animal. He never accepted to work with other animals. He was always up to some mischief. One day, all the animals assembled together because they realised that they all had a common problem. They all decided to dig a well. This would solve their problem.

The lion, who was the king of the **jungle**, prepared a programme. Work was to begin the next day. Each animal was supposed to participate. The Cheetah, the Leopard, the Tortoise, the Hyena, the Elephant and all other animals of the jungle had work to do. And so, work began. Unfortunately, on the day that hare was supposed to go and dig the well, he did not turn up. He claimed that his mother was sick. The next day he had another excuse. And every other day he did not turn up. However, the other animals continued to dig. Finally, they succeeded in making a nice well. The animals agreed that there was no way they would allow hare to drink from the well. Therefore, everyday there was a guard at the well. Whenever the hare tried to drink from the well, he was chased away.

One day, the tortoise was keeping guard. After a few minutes the Hare came laughing. He told the tortoise that he was a very slow animal. He made fun of him so much that the tortoise got angry. The two decided to have a road race and see who could run faster. When hare blew the whistle, he took off very fast and within no time he was back. He quickly drunk to his fill and disappeared. Poor tortoise! By the time he came back all the animals had assembled at the well. He did not know what to tell them. He was sure he would be heavily punished. The hare had tricked the animals again.

41. The word **cunning** as used in the first paragraph means \_\_\_\_\_  
A. liar.                      B. tricky.  
C. foolish.                    D. thief.
42. The word **jungle** as used in the passage means \_\_\_\_\_  
A. farm.                      B. location.  
C. country.                    D. forest.
43. Why did the animals assemble together?  
A. They had a common problem.  
B. They had a meeting.  
C. There were many problems.  
D. The king had called them.
44. How did they solve their problem?  
A. By meeting.  
B. By digging a well.  
C. By getting water.  
D. By buying water.
45. Who was supposed to dig the well?  
A. The hare.  
B. The cheetah, leopard, tortoise and hyena.  
C. The lion.  
D. All the animals.
46. After digging the well all the animals agreed that \_\_\_\_\_  
A. the Hare would guard the well.  
B. the Hare would not drink from the well.  
C. the Hare would drink from the well.  
D. the Hare would not guard the well.
47. Who was guarding the well on the day that Hare came laughing?  
A. The Tortoise.            B. The Hare.  
C. The Lion.                D. All the animals.
48. Why did the Tortoise accept to have a race with the Hare?  
A. To compete.  
B. To see who was fastest.  
C. To annoy the tortoise.  
D. To make fun of the tortoise.
49. Who won the race?  
A. None of them.        B. The Tortoise.  
C. The Hare.                D. Both of them.
50. What would happen in the end?  
A. Hare would be rewarded.  
B. Tortoise would be punished.  
C. Hare would be punished.  
D. Tortoise would be rewarded.