



# K.C.P.E 2<sup>ND</sup> PREDICTION STANDARD EIGHT YEAR - 2022 ENGLISH

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Time: 1 hour 40 min

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATE (Please read these instructions carefully)

1. You have been given this question paper and a separate answer sheet. The question paper contains 50 questions.
2. Do any necessary rough work in this paper.
3. When you have chosen your answer, mark it on the ANSWER SHEET, not in this question paper.
4. Use an ordinary pencil only.
5. Make sure that 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 boxes.
8. Keep your answer sheet as clean as possible and **DO NOT FOLD IT**.
9. For each of the Questions 1-50 four choices are given. The choices are lettered A, B, C, D. In each case only **ONE** of the choices is correct. Choose the correct choice.
10. On the answer sheet show the correct answer by drawing a dark line inside the box in which the letter you have chosen is written.

### Example

Choose the best alternative that correctly completes the given sentence

18. Daniel's ignorance \_\_\_\_\_ the area made him suffer in the hands of robbers.  
A. for                      B. to                      C. with                      D. of

The correct answer is D

3. [A] [B] [C] [D]      5. [A] [B] [C] [D]      8. [A] [B] [C] [D]      18. [A] [B] [C] [D]

In the set of boxes numbered 18, the box with letter D printed in it is marked

11. Your dark line **MUST BE** within the box.
12. For each question **ONLY ONE** box is to be marked in each set of four boxes.

The passage below contains blank spaces numbered 1-15. For each blank space choose the best alternative to fill in the blank space.

Four members of one family died on Friday morning in Murang'a county after the vehicle they were travelling 1 rammed a 2 trailer. One person was taken to hospital in critical condition, police 3. Murang'a South sub county police commander Alexander Shikondi said that the 5am accident 4 at Mlima Swara along 5. "The family station wagon 6 from Sagana to Kenol direction 7, on reaching the area, it 8 the trailer that had stalled on the road," he said.

A female passenger was 9 from the wreckage unconscious and taken to Thika Level Five Hospital where she is in critical condition. The 10 were taken to General Kago Mortuary in Thika Town. They were aged 60 (two of them), a female aged 40 and a 11. The driver was among those who died on the spot. Police said the 12 of the accident hinted that they were travelling from Nyeri county and were headed to a funeral ceremony of their relative.

"She 13 before she 14 express herself... we were busy evacuating her as she spoke... details will be out after we get into contact with the next of Kin," he said.

The two vehicles were 15 to Makuyu Police Station awaiting inspection to ascertain their state at the time of the accident.

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|---------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| 1. A. with                | B. in                 | C. by                 | D. on                 |
| 2. A. stationary          | B. stagnant           | C. stationery         | D. moving             |
| 3. A. uttered             | B. retorted           | C. replied            | D. suggested          |
| 4. A. existed             | B. unfolded           | C. occurred           | D. formed             |
| 5. A. Kenol sagana road   | B. Kenol Sagana road  | C. kenol sagana road  | D. Kenol Sagana Road  |
| 6. A. is being driven     | B. was being driven   | C. was being drove    | D. has been driven    |
| 7. A. and                 | B. so                 | C. but                | D. because            |
| 8. A. encountered         | B. discovered         | C. saw                | D. found              |
| 9. A. trapped             | B. whisked            | C. rescued            | D. saved              |
| 10. A. survivors          | B. deceased           | C. injured            | D. passengers         |
| 11. A. nine teen year old | B. nineteen-years-old | C. nine teen-year old | D. nineteen-year -old |
| 12. A. on looker          | B. eye witness        | C. survivor           | D. driver             |
| 13. A. passed out         | B. passed over        | C. passed by          | D. passed off         |
| 14. A. would              | B. could              | C. should             | D. might              |
| 15. A. pushed             | B. carried            | C. towed              | D. repaired           |

**In questions 16 to 18, Choose the best alternative from the choices given to correctly complete the given sentence.**

16. None of the pupils failed, \_\_\_\_\_?  
A. did he  
B. didn't he  
C. didn't they  
D. did they
17. Let me give you this umbrella to prevent  
A. yourself from the rain  
B. you from getting rained on  
C. you from rain  
D. you to be rained on
18. If I had the time  
A. I would have visited my sister  
B. I could visit my sister  
C. I would visit my sister  
D. I will visit my sister

**In question 19 and 20, select the opposite in meaning of the underlined word**

19. Kamau was known to be a very cautious driver.  
A. inexperienced                      B. clumsy  
C. courteous                              D. reckless
20. The president received a cordial welcome on Mashujaa day.  
A. mild                                      B. friendly  
C. warm                                      D. cruel

**For questions 21 and 22, choose the alternative that means the same as the given sentence**

21. Not only did he come to school late but he also forgot his Science book at home.  
A. He either came to school late or forgot his Science book at home  
B. He came to school late because he forgot his Science book at home.  
C. He came to school late and forgot his Science book at home  
D. He came to school late although he also forgot his Science book at home

22. He threw cold water on my idea means that he  
A. discouraged me  
B. tried to persuade me  
C. claimed that my idea was his  
D. told me I was joking

**In question 23, choose the sentence that is correctly written**

23. A. Nyambura prefers football than volley ball.  
B. Kabaka was congratulated for winning the election.  
C. Mathenge was punished for repeating the same mistake again.  
D. If I were you I would work hard

**In question 24 choose the correct arrangement of the given sentences to make a sensible paragraph.**

24. i) Since those names can be used even after the owner's die it means they are actors even in death.  
ii) there isn't any specific retirement age for actors  
iii) actors are valued at whatever age they are  
iv) some of them choose names that can be used even after their death.  
A. iii, iv, i, ii  
B. ii, iv, i, iii  
C. iii, ii, i, iv  
D. ii, iii, iv, i

**Remove one letter from the word given in question 25 then select a word which means the same as the new word formed.**

25. BROUGHT  
A. Purchased  
B. Smooth  
C. Bring  
D. Tough

Read the passage below and answer question 26 to 38

As the Inkalimera approached the hole where he lived, his children ran towards him. "What have you brought us today?" they asked eagerly.

The excitement that glowed uncontrollably inside their small eyes seemed to flash back memories of how his plans fell flat. He was too ashamed to face his family empty-handed.

Just then his wife emerged out of the house. "Any luck?" she asked.

He bent his head in a way to say no. His wife vividly understood that his husband's efforts had gone awry. She was so disappointed in him that she was overcome with anger. She even thought of strangling him.

Due to her frustration, his wife thought of committing suicide if he failed to bring any food along with him the next time.

All confused, the poor Inkalimera walked out. The hot sun burnt furiously over across the Sahara scorching his dark gray fur which made him exhausted to the last bone as he made a visit to the wizard. His journey was quite unbearable to him and the desert seemed to stretch for a thousand miles.

After he had walked for what seemed like eternity, he halted at the great wizard Karoo burrow. The great Karoo had lived for ages and he seemed to be amused by his declining years. His burrow was filled with horrific charms. *The charms very much seemed to open shutters upon deep and violent things that had long been closed to his typical words.*

He filled the wizard on what had happened with a sparkling hope that he would find a solution for his problem. The wizard looked deep into his eyes and said: "You have to quit stealing and toil hard." Devastated by this comment, he stormed out and went back to where the animals stored their food. The hare stood by the door eyeing the food closely not knowing the danger lurking behind him. The hare spotted him and whistled. From the blues, all the animals sprouted from a sundune a hundred yards away.

He was perplexed and couldn't move. All the animals grasped him and taught him a lesson. They showered him with mighty blows and kicks.

He later confessed that he would never steal again. He was bracing himself for a new beginning, he said to himself. Looking like a drenched rat, he walked lazily to his home. The incident had dropped a bombshell in his life but it served him right for those were the bitter fruits of his conduct. Surely, once bitten twice shy.

26. According to the first paragraph it is correct to say that
- the inkalimera did not have a family
  - the inkalimera returned home late in the evening
  - the Inkalimera used to come back home with goodies for his children
  - there was severe famine
27. Why was the Inkalimera ashamed?
- He did not have an answer to the question his children asked
  - He didn't know what to tell his family because his plans were unsuccessful
  - He couldn't withstand his children's curiosity
  - his children's small eyes had painful memories
28. Which of the following is true about Inkalimera's wife?
- She was very understanding
  - She was proud of her husband.
  - She was hot-tempered
  - She used to help her husband fend for the family
29. In the event of a repeat of coming home with nothing Inkalimera's wife threatened to
- divorce her husband
  - strangle her husband
  - take her own life
  - teach her husband a lesson
30. The word 'exhausted' is underlined in the passage. It means the same as
- finished
  - ashamed
  - hungry
  - tired
31. Why did Inkalimera seek the help of Karoo?
- Karoo had lived for many years and was very famous
  - He was too ashamed to face his family
  - He was overwhelmed with misfortunes
  - The scorching sun was unbearable
32. What amused Karoo according to the passage?
- The state Inkalimera was in
  - His advanced age
  - His dwindling years
  - Inkalimera's declining years
33. From the passage Inkalimera
- was optimistic that the great wizard will solve his problem
  - did not mind going back home empty-handed
  - could not endure the hot sun that burnt furiously across the Sahara
  - was satisfied with the solution the great wizard gave him.
34. How did Karoo know that Inkalimera was a thief?
- He had received reports from the other animals
  - He used guess work
  - Inkalimera looked suspicious
  - He used his magical powers
35. The Inkalimera stormed out of the great wizard Karoo's burrow. This implies that he
- left in a huff
  - left contented
  - had high expectations
  - was very delighted
36. Which of the following is not true about the hare?
- He was left behind to guard the food
  - He was oblivious of what was happening behind his back
  - He tricked the Inkalimera
  - He raised the alarm when he saw the Inkalimera
37. Had Inkalimera heeded Karoo's advice
- he would not have made the long journey to his burrow
  - his family would not have suffered
  - he would not have become a victim of mob justice
  - his wife would not have thought of committing suicide
38. Which of the following is the best title for the passage?
- The angry animals
  - Karoo the great wizard
  - A journey of a thousand miles
  - The return of Inkalimera

**Read the passage below and answer question 39 to 50**

At a well-attended annual national trade fair in Nairobi late last year, something new was on exhibition. Aloe vera seems to have taken the place of neem (mwarubaini) as the herb of choice for most Kenyans. The craze was again on as showgoers milled around the herbal stands to witness yet another addition to the herbal family.

The plant and its various products were all over the place being touted as the farmer's lifeline out of poverty.

From neem tree to Vanilla and now aloe vera, the country's agriculture sector seems to be inundated by herbs.

Some years past, nearly every one knew about the Neem tree, dubbed arobaini (forty) because it cures 40 diseases and "village pharmacy" by Asians for the same reason.

But now excited farmers are clearing their gardens of neem and Vanilla to plant the new wonder crop. They also have to raise the money to buy the seed.

Two years down the road, the aloe vera bubble seems to have gone full circle. Meanwhile, the talk of a huge foreign market in Kenya and beyond continues.

Looking at the country's health sector where many rural centres cannot stock even the most basic, surely, most Kenyans need help from this wonder drugs of aloe vera and neem.

With the craze towards herbal products catching on in every sector of the country, schools are not being left behind and are craving for part of the action.

In schools, environmental clubs have taken up raising species of plants with medicinal value for use by their students while others see some commercial potential in the practice.

The aloe -internationally known for curing various ailments, has both medicinal and aromatic properties. It is also a hardy plant capable of surviving in harsh environments with little water and minerals.

With convectional drugs becoming increasingly expensive, herbs have become cheaper and easy alternatives. Learning this herbal knowledge will help us to use the products as well as become agents to the larger population.

Beyond the herbal benefits, such trees and plants will help control soil erosion, clean the air and provide shade, among other benefits.

Aloe gel is said to have a market worth US20 billion, most of it controlled by the United States of America. Aloe extracts are used in the manufacture of drugs, cosmetics and a health drink produced by Golden Products in Southern Africa (Golden Life Aloe Vera-plus). Aloe has been used throughout the ages to cure headaches, stomach upsets and many other ailments. Aloe varieties in Kenya are traditionally used for the treatment of burns and cuts, acne and skin disorder, stomach upsets, hair restoration and skin rejuvenation.

Aloe has become the new goddess of beauty and health but because of smuggling, it is impossible to estimate how much is produced in Kenya.

39. From the first sentence we can tell that the national trade fair
- did not have as many people as expected
  - happens once every year
  - usually has a new product on exhibition
  - was held in Nairobi in June the previous year
40. The writer says that Aloe vera has taken the place of neem. This means that Aloe vera is neem's
- replacement
  - complement
  - suppliment
  - alternative
41. What shows that showgoers loved herbs?
- They attended the trade fair in large numbers
  - They knew the names of all the herbs in the market
  - The plants and their products had a very high demand.
  - They thronged the herbal stands to welcome the new entrant
42. The name 'mwarubaini' was synonymous with
- the most preferred herb
  - curing forty different diseases
  - village pharmacy
  - Aloe vera and other forty herbs
43. Why are farmers clearing their garden of neem and vanilla plants?
- The two plants have lost their herbal value
  - To give room for plants with more products
  - To plant Aloe vera that is touted as a farmer's lifeline out of poverty.
  - For them to plant Aloe vera that excites showgoers.
44. Why are most Kenyans in need of Aloe vera and neem?
- They are the latest addition to the herbal family.
  - They are the latest huge foreign market in Kenya and beyond
  - To plant Aloe vera that is touted as a farmer's lifeline out of poverty.
  - Lack of basic medicine especially in rural areas.
45. How are schools involved in the herbal craze according to the writer?
- They attend the annual trade fair
  - They educate the community on modern methods of farming
  - They research on how herbal medicine can help the health sector
  - Formation of environmental clubs that raise species of medicinal plants
46. Which of the following is true about aloe vera?
- It's adapted to dry areas
  - It is the only herbal plant
  - Little is known about the plant
  - Its craze lasted less than two years
47. What makes herbs more likeable than conventional drugs?
- They can be consumed by anyone
  - They can cure more diseases than conventional drugs
  - They are more affordable and available
  - They produce a variety of products
48. Which of the following is not a benefit of aloe vera?
- It cures forty diseases
  - Cleaning the air
  - Providing shade
  - Controlling soil erosion
49. Aloe vera
- was discovered in the United States of America
  - has both medicinal and aromatic properties
  - cannot be smuggled out of Kenya
  - doesn't have a market in Kenya
50. Which of the following is the best title for the passage?
- Benefits of aloe vera.
  - Herbal products take Kenya by storm
  - The annual national trade fair in Nairobi
  - Aloe vera becomes the latest herbal craze.