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ENGLISH

Theory

Paper 1

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2 hours



ASK INTEGRATED TEACHER'S EXAMINATIONS BUREAU LTD

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(Theory)

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INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES:

This paper consists of two sections; A and B. It has four items in all.

Section A is compulsory.

Answer one item from section B.

Answer three items in all.

*Answers to section A **must** be written in the spaces provided.*

*Answers to section B **must** be written in the answer booklets provided.*

Any additional item(s) answered will not be scored

Item 1.

Read the passage below:

Akello's First Day at Kina High School

Akello is a young and beautiful twelve-year-old girl from Kumi District. She is hard working, outgoing and intelligent. She was the best candidate in her school in the Primary Leaving Examinations in 2015. This earned her a scholarship to study at Kina High School, one of the best schools in the country.

The day Akello was to report to her new school, she woke up very excited and scared at the same time. She was not only joining a new school, but was also going to leave her home town for the very first time. Akello's mother packed her belongings in her metallic suitcase with **tear-filled** eyes.

Although she did not want to send Akello to a distant place, she could not deny her the right to quality education. So, with a heavy heart and amidst warnings about all the **distractions** in the city, Akello's mother sent her off to Kampala for an experience that was to **shape her future**.

Although Ninsiima and Aura seemed nice, it was a different story with Irene who stood **aloof**. Irene was very rude and selfish. She seemed to have hatred for Akello. As Akello was unpacking her belongings, Irene picked Akello's bed sheets from her suitcase and threw them in the trash can. No one in the dormitory tried to stop Irene's injustice, but all looked at her, with fear evident in their eyes. Clearly, Irene was a bully! She needed to be dealt with by the school authority. **Taken aback** by this cruel action, Akello remained **rooted to the spot** with mixed feelings before Ninsiima and Namusoke came to her rescue. They helped to pick her bed sheets from the trash can and washed them for her. These girls became Akello's closest friends and **treasured** her as a sister. In this way, school life became **bearable** and even interesting.

(Author: Irene Ninsiima)

Respond to the following tasks;

- a) If you were in that school, suggest the kind of information you would give Akello to help her.
- b) In about 60 words, tell a friend what the story is about.
- c) Suggest the steps you would take to give her this information clearly.
- d) Discuss how you can use this story to help students to behave well.
- e) Write two paragraphs advising your fellow students to behave well.
- f) Provide the meanings of the following words and make a sentence using each.
 - (a) tear-filled
 - (b) taken aback
 - (c) treasured
 - (d) distractions
 - (e) bearable
 - (f) shape her future

Item 2.

Read the poem below and answer the questions that follow.

The sweetest thing

There is in this world something
That surpasses all other things
In sweetness.
It is sweeter than honey
It is sweeter than sugar
Is it sweeter than all
Existing things.
This thing is sleep.

When you are conquered by sleep
Nothing can ever prevent you
Nothing can stop you from sleeping
When you are conquered by sleep
And numerous millions arrive
Millions arrive to disturb you
Millions will find you sleep.

Soussou

Respond to the following tasks;

1. What is the sweetest thing? (01 score)
2. What 3 things does the poet say that sleep is sweeter than? (03 scores)
3. Why does the speaker include salt that sleep is sweeter than? (03 scores)
4. What is the importance of sleep? (04 scores)

SECTION B. (09 scores)

You're planning a safari trip to Queen Elizabeth National Park and would like to get the information from Mweya Safari Tours and Travel for your family of four, including two children aged 10 and 12. Write an official letter to the manager of Mweya Safari Tours and Travel, either asking for information about a specific destination you would like to visit, or making a travel booking for a tour. Use appropriate and polite expressions.

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