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ENGLISH
(Comprehension, Literary Appreciation and Grammar)
Time - 2½HOURS

INSTRUCTION TO CANDIDATES.

1. Write your name, admission number, date and signature in the spaces above.
2. Answer **ALL** the questions in this paper.
3. All answer must be written in English and in a black or blue pen.
4. **This paper has 12 printed pages**
5. **Candidates should check the question paper to ensure that all the pages are printed as indicated and that no questions are missing.**

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QUESTION	TESTED AREAS	TOTAL MARKS	CANDIDATE'S SCORE
1	COMPREHENSION	20	
2	EXCERPT	25	
3	POETRY	20	
4	GRAMMAR	15	
TOTAL		80	

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1. Read the passage below and answer the questions that follow. **(20 marks)**

On Sunday, Eliud Kipchoge made world headlines again when he smashed his own world record with a time of two hours, one minute, and nine seconds in the Berlin Marathon. With that, he sliced 30 seconds off his previous best mark of 02:01:39 on the same course in 2018.

Kipchoge had run so fast that he crossed the line four minutes and 49 seconds ahead of his compatriot Mark Korir, time that could have seen him have a rapid shower and dried himself just as Korir came home. But there he was, saying, "My legs and body still feel young, but the most important thing is my mind-and that also feels fresh and young." The man might bring this thing below two hours before he turns forty.

The spectacular success of Kipchoge and other distance stars from Ethiopia, Uganda, Morocco, and others, is an **allegory** of the possibility of national progress and African global competitiveness. He and his ilk have succeeded because they have taken natural resources and opportunity and turned them into world-bearing products. It is something Africa is very bad at. The Democratic Republic of Congo is said to be the most resource-rich country, but it has done bugger all with it. It is one of the poorest countries and remains mired in conflict. If you have that much natural wealth, you can buy a lot of peace and stability with it if you are smart in its use; ask the Saudis, Emiratis, and Qataris.

There have been plans to build a Grand Inga Dam on the Congo River. Its potential can provide up to 40 per cent of the continent's electricity needs. That would be more than twice the electricity generated by the most powerful dam in the world, The Three Gorges Dam in China. Nothing has happened. The Kipchoge treatment would have that dam up, and supplying power-cut plagued South Africa and Nigeria.

Until recently, Nigeria was Africa's largest exporter of oil. But due to corruption and sabotage, its now fourth, behind Angola, Algeria and Libya. Save for Algeria, all the other three import refined petroleum products. And Nigeria and Angola are **plagued** by fuel shortages at the fuel pump. If Nigeria had a Kipchoge touch, it would be one of the world's leading exporters of refined fuel products.

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Economists keep throwing figures about to show that Africa is de-industrialising. That could be because they are measuring the wrong thing. One of the biggest industries in Africa is whining and moaning about how Europeans, Americans, Chinese, the Gulf States, and everyone else is exploiting and rigging the global system against us.

Yes, global injustices and imperialist exploitation must be called out and resisted, but the payoff is in overcoming and bragging about it. Africa cannot continue blaming all its miseries on an evil world. Too many of us believe that it is possible to overcome the odds.

In 2019, Kipchoge demonstrated this in Vienna Ineos marathon challenge. He clocked 1:59:40:02, something that had been seen as an impossibility to run a marathon under two hours. However, the historic result didn't toward an official marathon record, because he ran it under controlled near-laboratory conditions. He was the only competitor and had 41 pacesetters, divided into nine teams. That meant for every four kilometres plus, he had a fresh set of pacesetters. But, **the point had been made**.
If we were all Kipchoges, we would say Africa will be a world superpower and richest continent and just do it.

Questions

a) According to paragraph one, what made Eliud Kipchoge to make world headlines?(1 mark)

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b) Why has Africa failed to develop, according to the passage? (2 marks)

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c) Pick a line from the passage to show that Kipchoge is of advanced age. (1 mark)

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d) Explain one instance of irony in the passage. (2 marks)

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e) Nothing has happened. Rewrite the sentence, supplying a question tag. (1 mark)

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f) Why did Kipchoge's record of running under two hours in the Ineos 1:59 challenge fail to receive the marathon body's recognition? (2 marks)

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g) Which common problem affects Nigeria and South Africa? (1 mark)

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h) Comment on the language use in paragraph six. (2 marks)

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i) What is the author's attitude on how African countries perceive their problems? (3 marks)

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j) From the passage, what is the secret behind Kipchoge and other African athletes' success? (2marks)

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k) Explain the meaning of the following expressions as used in the passage. (3 marks)

i) Allegory.....

ii) Plagued.....

iii) The point had been made.....

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2. John Lara SAMARITAN.

Read the excerpt below and then answer the questions that follow. (25 marks)

Nicole: Tell me, Your Worship.
Mossi: (*standing up and pacing about the boardroom*) It is my Deputy! That irredeemable gossip and broker! As you know, he doubles up as our Municipal Secretary for the Department of Physical Infrastructure. He uses this position to ensure only his companies or those of his relatives win tenders for road construction in our Municipality. The same happens with regard to tenders for the construction of bridged, pavements, drains and watercourses. Sadly, they don't do any meaningful works! They simply misappropriate the funds!
Nicole: So, what does that have to do with the people?
Mossi: Doesn't it bother you that the people overwhelmingly voted for this kind of a person knowing very well he has never accomplished anything in his life other than **swindle** the people?
Nicole: Oh, did they know?
Mossi: of course, they did! There's hardly any person he has not conned in this town! You always find him leaning on the street poles in our town's backstreets, gazing vacantly into empty spaces like an evil spirit –waiting for fake title deeds for same plot, and then sells the same plot to ten different people. Yet the people glorify evil and mediocrity, and then turn and whine when it hurts them? And you know what?
Nicole: Tell me, Your Worship.
Mossi: If you look at him closely, you will find that he resembles the sloth. Have you seen a sloth? That godforsaken creature that gives you nausea the moment you see it! That's exactly him! Slow, ugly, dim-witted, and outright useless!
Nicole: He must be a disgrace!
Mossi: They all are! Take the so-called Hon. Ted King! I prefer calling him "the bat." He is our Municipal Secretary for the Department of Health and Environment. Recently he "ate" a whole hospital! No wonder he looks sickly.
Nicole: **Ate a whole hospital**? How?
Mossi: The Municipal Council invited bids for the construction of health centres. As the line Secretary, he ensured companies associated with his relatives and friends won the tenders. He conspired with them and stole all the money we had budgeted for the health centres. They only put up some site offices that look like cowsheds, and that was it.
Nicole: It is popularly held that he is your very close political **ally**.
Mossi: I wish you could listen first! You know what? He –that bat, as I said I prefer to call him – is a scandal! Certainly the worst scandal of them all in our municipality! He was once a deejay who spent the better part of his life in dingy nightclubs caged in small pigsties, like the swine he is! ***Do you know the evil type of men who operate in darkness?*** He has always been one of them. That is why I call him a bat, a sinister creature that can't see and sleeps upside down! Could there be a weirder creature that is blind and still prefers to operate at night? The man is undoubtedly under **Obeah**! As a deejay, he was for a long time responsible for the noise pollution from nightclubs over which we never ceased complaining. He earned his livelihood by pirating other people's music and making noise for everybody. And do you know what happened after being a pirate and nuisance to the public?
Nicole: I am very eager to know, Sir.

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Questions

(a) Place this excerpt in its immediate context. (4 marks: 2mks what happen before, 2mks what happen after)

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After: .....

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(b) Discuss **one character trait of Nicole** and **two of Mayor Mossi**. (6 marks :1mk for trait and 1mk illustration from excerpt)

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(c) **Highlight and illustrate** two themes evident in this passage. (4 marks)

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(d) **Identify and illustrate** two stylistic devices evident in this passage. (4marks)

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(e) (i) "Do you know the evil type of men who operate in darkness?" Mossi asked Nicole. (Write in reported speech) (1 mark)

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(ii) From your knowledge of the book, highlight and illustrate any other leader that Mayor Mossi accuses. (2mks)

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(f) Explain the meaning of the following words and expressions as used in the excerpt. (4 marks)

i. swindle.....

ii. Ate whole hospital.....

iii. ally.....

iv. obeah.....

3. ORAL LITERATURE **(20 marks)**

Read the narrative below and answer the questions that follow.

At one time, animals and people lived together peaceably and talked with each other. But when mankind began to multiply rapidly, the animals were crowded into forests and deserts. Man began to destroy animals wholesale for their skins and furs, not just for needed food. Animals became angry at such treatment by their former friends, resolving they must punish mankind.

The bear tribe met in council presided over by Old White Bear, their Chief, after several bears had spoken against mankind for their bloodthirsty ways, war was unanimously agreed upon. But what kind of weapons should the bears use? Chief Old White Bear suggested that man's weapon, the bow and arrow, should be turned against him. All of the council agreed. While the bears worked and made bows and arrows, they wondered what to do about bowstrings. One of the bears sacrificed himself to provide the strings, while the others searched for good arrow-wood.

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When the first bow was completed and tried, the bear's claws could not release the strings to shoot the arrow. One bear offered to cut his claws, but Chief Old White Bear would not allow him to do that, because without claws he could not climb trees for food and safety. He might starve. The deer tribe called its council lead by Chief Little Deer. They decided that any Indian hunter who killed a deer without asking pardon in a suitable manner should be afflicted with painful rheumatism in their joints. After this decision, Chief Little Deer sent a messenger to their nearest neighbours, the Cherokee Indians.

"From now on, you hunters must first offer a prayer to the deer before killing him." Said the messenger. "You must ask his pardon, stating you are forced only by hunger needs of your tribe to kill the deer. Otherwise, a terrible disease will come to the hunter."

When a deer is slain by an Indian hunter, Chief Little Deer will run to the spot and ask the slain deer's spirit. "Did you hear the hunter's prayer for pardon?" If the reply is yes, then all is well and Chief Little Deer returns to his cave. But if the answer is no, then the Chief tracks the hunter to his lodge and strikes him with the terrible disease of rheumatism, making him a helpless cripple unable to hunt again.

All the fishes and reptiles then held a council and decided they would hunt those Cherokee Indians who tormented them, by telling them hideous dreams of serpents twining around them and eating them alive. The se snake and fish dreams occurred often among the Cherokees. To get relief, the Cherokees pleaded with their Shaman to banish their frightening dreams if they no longer tormented the snakes and fish.

Now when the friendly plants heard what the animals had decided against mankind, they planned a countermove of their own. Each tree, each shrub, herb, grass and moss agreed to furnish a cure for one of the diseases named by the animals and insects. Thereafter, when the Cherokee Indians visited their Shaman about their ailments and if the medicine man was in doubt, he communed with the spirits of the plants. They always suggested a proper remedy for mankind's disease.

This was the beginning of plant medicine from nature among the Cherokee Indian nation a long, long time ago.

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a) From the first paragraph, why do you think the animals feel betrayed? (2 marks)

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b) "But what kind of weapons should the bear use?" what is the significance of this rhetorical question? **(2 marks)**

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c) How can you describe the animals' attitude to man? **(2 marks)**

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d) Why did Chief Old Bear disallow the other bear from cutting its claws? Why did the bears abandon the idea of using bows and arrows? **(2 marks)**

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e) Why do you think the deer's insisted on a prayer before being killed? **(2 marks)**

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f) How did man emerge triumphant or victorious in this story? **(2 marks)**

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g) What features of narrative are evident in this narrative? **(6 marks)**

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h) Give one character trait of the Chief Old Bear. **(2 marks)**

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GRAMMAR (15 MARKS)

A. Rewrite the following sentences as instructed. Do not change the meaning. (3 marks)

i. Njoki did not know it was a dangerous vocation. (Rewrite using: ...how...)

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ii. Someone saw Kirimi leaving the plane in Khartoum. (Begin: Kirimi...)

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iii. She opened the window and a bat flew out. (End in: "...a bat.")

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B. Fill in the blanks with the correct form of the word given in brackets, (3 marks)

i. Living in the ..... (industry) part of the town can be very distressing.

ii. The student was punished for treating the old lady ..... . (respect)

iii. The mock examinations ..... (analyse) has been completed.

C. Use the correct order of the adjectives provided in brackets to complete the given sentences (3 marks)

i. I enjoyed carrying my ..... (metallic, heavy, rectangular) box every time we opened and closed school.

ii. Magoha married an ..... (intelligent, American, young) woman.

iii. Please buy me a reasonably ..... (cheap, big, purple) umbrella.

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D. Complete the following sentences with the appropriate collective noun. (3 marks)

i. The cargo arrived at the port in a .....of ships.

ii. The teacher talked to a .....of girls from class.

iii. A ..... of monkeys attacked the leopard.

E. Replace the phrasal verbs underlined with one word similar in meaning. (3 marks)

i. I will work hard to <u>make up for</u> the wasted time.

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ii. Kipkorir <u>takes after</u> his grandfather

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iii. The project has really <u>eaten into</u> my savings.

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