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# **STANDARD SIX MID-TERM 3 EXAMS**

## **2016 ENGLISH**

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TIME: 1 HR 40 MINS

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

Everything \_\_\_\_\_ 1 \_\_\_\_\_ park seemed well \_\_\_\_\_ 2 \_\_\_\_\_ and artistic. The children liked the landscape. \_\_\_\_\_ 3 \_\_\_\_\_ of the area \_\_\_\_\_ 4 \_\_\_\_\_ flat and grassy, but there were also some small \_\_\_\_\_ 5 \_\_\_\_\_ and hills with streams running \_\_\_\_\_ 6 \_\_\_\_\_ them and thorny trees \_\_\_\_\_ 7 \_\_\_\_\_ the river banks.

There was even a mountain in the \_\_\_\_\_ 8 \_\_\_\_\_. They were passing \_\_\_\_\_ 9 \_\_\_\_\_ through one of the valleys \_\_\_\_\_ 10 \_\_\_\_\_. Jared said, "Hey! \_\_\_\_\_ 11 \_\_\_\_\_ the lion, the king of the wild animals."

There, \_\_\_\_\_ 12 \_\_\_\_\_ the shade of a tree, was a \_\_\_\_\_ 13 \_\_\_\_\_ of lions resting \_\_\_\_\_ 14 \_\_\_\_\_ to a river. There was also a lioness playing with \_\_\_\_\_ 15 \_\_\_\_\_ cubs.

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| 1.  | at         | in the   | on the    | inside   |
| 2.  | designs    | design   | designing | designed |
| 3.  | Large      | Smaller  | Most      | Little   |
| 4.  | was        | were     | is        | are      |
| 5.  | vallies    | vallyies | valleys   | vallyes  |
| 6.  | inside     | through  | behind    | aside    |
| 7.  | infront    | over     | above     | along    |
| 8.  | background | far      | backward  | forward  |
| 9.  | slow       | fastly   | slowly    | past     |
| 10. | and        | when     | so        | there    |
| 11. | check      | look for | look at   | see at   |
| 12. | in         | under    | on        | over     |
| 13. | troupe     | troop    | proud     | pride    |
| 14. | near       | next     | front     | back     |
| 15. | her        | his      | its       | their    |

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**For questions 16 - 18, choose the best alternative to fill in the blank spaces.**

16. I visited my sister in the hospital but her condition was \_\_\_\_\_  
A. worsening                      B. increasing  
C. becoming low                  D. become bad
17. Juma and Ali \_\_\_\_\_ weeding the farm tomorrow.  
A. are                                  B. were  
C. will be                              D. would
18. \_\_\_\_\_ did he come to my house?  
A. Where                              B. When  
C. If                                      D. Who

**For questions 19 - 22, write the correct question tag.**

19. They would not have come today, \_\_\_\_\_?  
A. would they                      B. have they  
C. haven't they                      D. wouldn't they
20. My uncle drives a lorry, \_\_\_\_\_?  
A. does he                              B. didn't he  
C. did he                                D. doesn't they
21. I am not happy with you, \_\_\_\_\_?  
A. amn't he                              B. aren't I  
C. am I                                  D. are you
22. Take this cup to the kitchen, \_\_\_\_\_?  
A. can't you                              B. will you  
C. can you                                D. won't you

**For questions 23 - 25, choose the word that means the same as the underlined words(s)**

23. The Lion's killed several sheep, goat and cows  
A. Animals                              B. Domestic

C. Cattle                                  D. Tame

24. She was not allowed to go outside.  
A. permitted                          B. asked  
C. told                                    D. given
25. Mary did not reply my letter.  
A. write                                  B. answer  
C. check                                D. read

**For questions 26 - 27, choose the adverb of reason from the sentences given.**

26. John was sent back home since he was late.  
A. late                                    B. back  
C. home                                 D. since
27. His parents were admitted because their condition was very bad.  
A. condition                          B. very bad  
C. because                              D. admitted

**Arrange the sentences to make a sensible paragraph.**

28. i) It was getting dark  
ii) When she saw a man in front of her  
iii) Nekesa lost her way  
iv) She ran to ask for help  
A. iii, i, ii, iv                          B. i, iv, ii, iii  
C. ii, i, ii, iv                          D. iii, ii, iv, i

**For questions 29 and 30, choose the opposite of the underlined word.**

29. This torch is duller than the lamp.  
A. bright                                B. brightest  
C. dim                                    D. brighter
30. A leaf floats on water.  
A. sink                                    B. sinks  
C. sank                                   D. sinking

**Read the passage below and answer questions 31- 40.**

The African buffalo is a very clever animal. We have traditional stories which indicate that buffaloes can spot a person from a distance and hide, wait for that person to arrive where the buffalo is hiding and then attack.

There were times when people tried to run away from the buffalo. However, how you ran away was very important. If you ran uphill, you were dead meat. If you ran down hill, you were just delaying the inevitable.

Some stories say that some people tried to climb trees. But, when you climbed a tree, the buffalo would come and graze beneath the tree, waiting for you to climb down. If you took long, the buffalo would urinate on its tail and splash the urine on you. The urine, caused on itching effect on your body. Then you would scratch and scratch until you leave the branch and fall down from the tree to meet the buffalo. You could not escape from the buffalo.

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| <p>31. The African buffalo is referred to as _____</p> <p>A. a funny animals.<br/>B. a dangerous animal.<br/>C. a clever animal.<br/>D. a hostile animal.</p> <p>32. It is true to say that _____</p> <p>A. a buffalo is not clever.<br/>B. a buffalo can spot a person from a distance.<br/>C. a buffalo cannot run very fast.<br/>D. a buffalo cannot run uphill.</p> <p>33. When people tried to run away from the buffalo, it was important _____</p> <p>A. how you ran away.<br/>B. to run very fast.<br/>C. you run uphill.<br/>D. to run and hide.</p> <p>34. "If you ran uphill, you were dead meat." This means</p> <p>A. The buffalo would die.<br/>B. The person running uphill would die.<br/>C. You would find some meat.<br/>D. The buffalo would easily catch you and kill you.</p> <p>35. The word <u>inevitable</u> is underlined. It can mean _____</p> <p>A. unavoidable                      B. very possible<br/>C. un easy                              D. impossible</p> | <p>36. Which one of the following statements is <b>true</b> according to the passage?</p> <p>A. Buffaloes can climb trees.<br/>B. Buffalo's urine causes itching effect.<br/>C. It is easy to run away from a buffalo.<br/>D. A buffalo grazes under big trees.</p> <p>37. Why would a buffalo graze beneath a tree where you have climbed?</p> <p>A. Because of hunger<br/>B. To rest under the tree.<br/>C. To wait for you to climb down.<br/>D. Buffaloes like eating under trees.</p> <p>38. Which type of buffalo is discussed in the passage?</p> <p>A. The buffalo                      B. The bull buffalo<br/>C. The Asian buffalo              D. The African buffalo</p> <p>39. If a buffalo can spot a person from afar distance this means it has a _____</p> <p>A. strong sense of sight and smell<br/>B. strong body<br/>C. strong sense of smell.<br/>D. strong hearing sense.</p> <p>40. Which word can replace the words "climb down"?</p> <p>A. Go up                              B. Drop<br/>C. Descend                          D. Ascend</p> |
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**Read the following passage carefully when answer questions 41 - 50.**

The journey to and from school took me one hour each day. At 3.30 p.m, the lower classes were released while the rest of the school stayed on until 4.30 p.m. I had started school late aged eight instead of six, because my father was not keen on taking me to school. My mother played a big role by convincing him that a little education did no harm. By this time, I was ten years old. I was the last born in a family of four. My brothers had finished their secondary education and were now working in the city.

On this particular day Batola's book was missing and I found her searching for it. Then she found one of our classmates under a tree copying notes from it. Without uttering a single word, she forcefully snatched it from him and waved at me to join her and we left for home.

On arriving home, I found my father with visitors and they were sipping traditional brew. Four were seated on his left side while one was on his right. They were discussing something unknown to me. Immediately, I went to fetch firewood. When I returned, I found my father's visitors gone and he was driving cows to the thorny enclosure. My mother looked sad and she did not say anything.

Before day break the following morning, my mother tapped me on the shoulder and whispered,

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"wake up". Your father had found you a suitor and he will come for you tomorrow. You have to run away. Run to the chief's camp!" She urged. "Go! Tell him you want to continue with your education but your father is against it."

It took me three hours to run from home to the chief's camp. He was still asleep when I arrived at 6 O' clock. I waited for thirty minutes until the guards opened the gate. When I entered the chief's house, I told him everything. After a few minutes of silence, he said "my child do not worry, I shall summon your father to my office later on in the day. " Have you taken breakfast my child?" " No" I said feebly. " Yago!" A policeman came running. He was instructed to take me to the chief's wife and ask her to give me food. From the way he was looking at me, you could see he was curious to know what I told the chief, but dared not to ask.

41. According to the first paragraph, the lower classes were released at \_\_\_\_\_  
A. a quarter to four.  
B. a half past three.  
C. a half past four.  
D. a quarter past three.
42. According to the writer, he was delayed starting school by \_\_\_\_\_ years.  
A. two  
B. six  
C. four  
D. eight
43. Why was the writer not taken to school at the expected age?  
A. She was small and young.  
B. Her mother wanted her to help at home.  
C. Her father was not keen on taking her to school.  
D. Her father loved and over-protected her.
44. What was the total number of members in the writer's family?  
A. Four  
B. Six  
C. Eight  
D. Five
45. Which one of the following statements is not true according to the passage?  
A. The writer went to fetch firewood on arriving home.  
B. Her father had five guests in their home.  
C. Batola's missing book was later found.  
D. Writer's mother looked very happy and cheerful.
46. In the passage, the word suitor is underlined. It can mean \_\_\_\_\_  
A. a man to get married to.  
B. a sponsor in her education.  
C. a friend of her father.  
D. a man to befriend.
47. Why did the mother urge her daughter to run to the chief's camp?  
A. She wanted her to hide in the chief's camp.  
B. She was advised to do so by her neighbours.  
C. She wanted her daughter to get protection and be able to continue with her education.  
D. She wanted her daughter get a permit from the chief to allow her marriage.
48. If the writer took three hours to run from their home to the chief's camp, at what time had she left home?  
A. two o'clock in the morning.  
B. four o'clock in the evening.  
C. three o'clock in the morning.  
D. mid - night.
49. After the chief received the report from the writer, he \_\_\_\_\_  
A. gave the writer some food.  
B. promised to sermon the father  
C. asked his solders to escort her  
D. sent the writer to bring her father.
50. Which one of the following statements is true according to the passage?  
A. The policeman asked the writer to tell him what brought her.  
B. The writer's mother did not help her to escape.  
C. The writer was the first born in the family.  
D. If it were not for the writer's mother, she would not have been taken to school.