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FORM IV
Paper 101/2
ENGLISH
PRE-MOCKS
Time: 2½ Hours

NATIONAL EXAMINATIONS COUNCIL

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INSTRUCTIONS TO THE CANDIDATES:-

- Write *your name* in the spaces provided.
- Answer *all* questions in this question paper.
- Answers to all questions *must* be written in the spaces provided in this booklet.

COMPREHENSION: (20 MARKS)

Read the passage below and answer the questions that follow.

Women have made great strides where their careers are concerned. However, they still face unique challenges. They work harder than their male counterparts to gain respect, get paid less for performing the same tasks, and are given less recognition. A lot of insight and skill is needed to navigate the work environment, but there are a few things you can do to ensure you do not lose touch of your career.

Putting yourself into the job market after an absence be it to attend to or to pursue other interest or to have and take care of children can be both exciting and intimidating. If going back to the same job, have a few people you trust in the office to keep you in the loop while you are away. This helps returning to work less stressful, and you feel more in control. If planning to find a new job, keep your skills current and brush up on your interview aptitude. If necessary, take up short course, which will give an idea of any development that may have come up in the industry. When you leave work to have children, keep a toe on the water. It is important to maintain your contacts; you might even want to consider working part-time.

Women in the same jobs or careers as men may earn less because the women before them earned less (vicious cycle), or because of other prejudices. These are biases, and they can be fought, but we have to be willing to fight them. Women need to stand up for themselves and their money. When you start receiving a smaller than necessary pay raise, all subsequent raises build on that small base. The result, we end up far behind the road. Negotiating does not mean being pushy. Getting what you want, as long as you have the conversation appropriately, is the right thing to do. Harboring resentment because you are not being paid your worth is far more dangerous. Negotiating is productive. The golden rule where negotiating is concerned; if you do not ask what you want, the answer will always be no. Whatever your aim for negotiating as long as you gather all your facts, build a solid case for yourself and visualize the result, you are halfway there.

Practice to devote full attention to just one priority at a time. If you truly honour the different aspects of your life work, family and relaxation, then you will be more fulfilled. If you skimp out on say, family time, then it is likely that the guilt you feel will intrude even on your work time. Likewise, if you do not task some time out to relax, it will affect your productivity and creativity. Organize your time efficiently, have a family calendar to avoid last minute panic. Do not allow yourself to feel guilty for saying no when you are too tired or have other personal obligation away from work. Remember you make time for what you want to make time for.

Be firm, not forceful. When asking a favour or making a request of someone, be clear, direct and prepared to listen to what the other person has to say. If responding to a request that you do not wish to agree to, a gentle but firm 'no' is sufficient. Try not to engage in further explanation or discussion, and even if you must, keep it brief and do NOT make excuses for declining.

Questions

a) What does the author want to communicate to the reader? (2mks)

b) What should a woman consider when she takes a leave? (1 mark)

c) Comment on the author's attitude towards women according to the passage. (1 mk)

d) What things should you do in preparation to rejoin the work force? (3marks)

e) In about 50 words summarize the things that show there is gender prejudice in the work place. (5marks)

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f) Rewrite the following sentence as indicated but do not change the meaning.

If you do not ask for what you want, the answer will always be no.

(Begin with "the answer.....")

g) What advice does the writer give to show his/her concern for the woman worker? (3marks)

h) Give the meaning of the following words and phrases. (4marks)

i. Aptitude _____

ii. Prejudices _____

iii. Keep a toe in the water _____

2. SEEN TEXT (25 MARKS)

“The complaint ObandaOwuor, also known as Akoko has convinced this tribunal that an injustice has been done. Therefore a contingent of askaris shall go to the village and forcibly remove the chief. He shall be made to return all that he has grabbed from his sister-in-law and his grandnephew. A council of elders shall forthwith rule the village until such time as the rightful heir comes of age. The council; may elect one man to be a custodian of the chief’s stool and their spokesman. The matter is ended. Next case”

Inspite of the DC’s decision, it was only a matter of time before the hereditary chiefdoms were done away with totally. It was a changing world.

Akoko returned to her village won more than a victory for her infant grandson. She had opened up new vistas for her family, which showed another word and the possibility of a different way. She talked about her journey to her daughter Nyabera, sat on a mat nursing her newborn daughter; she drank in her mother’s every word.

(“You know my child, human beings are all the same the world over, with good ones and bad ones. The bad ones serve to high — light the goodness of the good ones. To allow oneself to sink unresistingly into evil is a bad thing. Take those white people, they are not of my colour, or of my blood but they are just; but your uncle is ruled by his stomach and directed by his lions. He forgot everything that his brother had done for him and his greed turned into vindictive hatred. It would have been something if he had worked to support his appetites, but he is lazy. Laziness opens the door for evil to rule one’s mind and body. Work tirelessly my child. It is shame for an able bodied person to feed off the sweat of others. It becomes like a sickness of the blood which transmits itself to generations and becomes a curse forever.”

a) What happened before this extract? (3marks)

b) Make notes on the verdict of the tribunal set up by the DC. (5marks)

c) Explain any two themes seen in this extract. (4marks)

d) What two qualities of Akoko can be seen in this extract? (4marks)

e) You know my child, human beings are all the same the world over, with good ones and bad ones,
(Fill in the blank spaces with the most appropriate phrasal verb). (1mark)

f) She had opened up new vistas for her family which showed another world and the possibility of a
different way. Which new vistas/world or different way had been opened up by Akoko? (2marks)

g) But your uncle is ruled by his stomach and directed by his lions. Explain what this tells us about Otieno's
character (2marks)

h) Identify and explain any 2 aspects of style seen in this extract. (4marks)

3. POETRY (20 MARKS)

Read the poem below and answer the questions that follow.

Whititude

I envied his being Negro:
For there he was with his hardened face,
That told of night and her mystery,
Of age and varied experience.
In shame, in fear, in joy, his hue the same,
Unlike my baby skin that told of all I felt
And while I pitied him for being black,
I feared he had a depth unknown to me,
Which his darkness hid.

Questions

a) Identify the persona in this poem. (2marks)

4. GRAMMAR (15 MARKS)

a) Rewrite the following sentences according to the instructions given (2 marks)

i. Commissioners would not let her vote. (Rewrite to end with to vote.)

ii. "I am sorry, Sir," the students told the principal, "but I could not pay the fees".
(Rewrite using the word apologized)

b) Fill in the blank spaces provided with appropriate prepositions. (2marks)

i. The members of parliament could not agree _____ a common stand.

ii. My uncle is a trader who deals _____ imported sugar.

c) Rewrite the following sentences using the words provided. (3marks)

i. The only thing you can do is admitting that you were wrong. (Option)

ii. You can have ugali beef. You can have chicken rice.
(Join into one sentence using 'either or')

iii. There is a solution for every problem. (Use behind)

d) Combine the following sentences into one using connectors whose functions have been indicated in brackets. (3marks)

i. The priest in charge came. The mass did not take place. (Contrast)

ii. The music group spoke to their patron. They wanted permission to rehearse. (Reason)

iii. I will return your shoes. You must refund my money. (Condition)

e) Use the most suitable form of the word given to fill the blank spaces.

i. Peter is the _____ of the two boys.

ii. Mary is the most _____ person I've ever met. (deceive)

f) Re-arrange the adjectives in the brackets in the correct order to fill in the blanks.

i. The _____ (winding, tarred, long) road leads to the district hospital.

ii. He met _____ (grey, tall and handsome) old man along the road.

iii. We booked in a _____ (modem, big, luxurious) hotel.