STD 8 MOCK EXAM 2018
KAKAMEGA COUNTY
ENGLISH

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

The ___1___ drug refers ___2___ substance used as medicine ___3___ used in medicine. Additionally, it also means ___4___ illegal substance that some people smoke, inject for physical and mental effect it ___5___ and herbal drugs are ___6___ and herbal clinics to ___7___ bodies from various ailments.

However, drugs abuse has become so widespread not only in Kenya ___8___ the world over. Drug abusers ___9___ harmful drugs. In the long term. When they are ___10___ they always crave for their harmful effect. Drug abuses is particularly serious ___11___ the youth ___12___ of the substance abuse include ___13___ bhang, heroin ___14___ and miraa. Majority of ___15___ people suffer from peer pressure and as a result they are negatively influenced to take wrong directions.

1. A verb
2. B adjective
3. C vowel
4. D term
5. from
6. or
7. a
8. have
9. medicinal
10. kill
11. but
12. drink
13. drunk
14. All
15. young
For question 16 and 17, choose the alternative that best complete the statement given.

16. You need to see a doctor ________?
   A. will you
   B. don't you
   C. isn't it
   D. do you

17. Everyone was present for the awarding ceremony ________?
   A. wasn't he
   B. were they
   C. didn't they
   D. weren't they

For question 18-90, choose the alternative which means the same as underlined words.

18. The records of meeting were read after praying
   A. agenda
   B. matters arising
   C. minutes
   D. secretary

19. The main ________ that he had stolen from his neighbour
   A. dinied
   B. refused
   C. complained
   D. admitted

For questions 20 and 21, choose the best word that fill the blank spaces.

20. It was not until the referee blew the whistle ________ the match begun
   A. when
   B. that
   C. then
   D. so

21. Immediately she _______ talking the children burst out laughing
   A. began
   B. begin
   C. begun
   D. had begun

For question 22 and 23m choose a sentence that means the same as the given sentence.

22. Wabwure asked, “Opiyo, is it a holiday tomorrow?”
   A. Wabwure asked if it was a holiday
   B. Wabwure asked Opiyo if it was a holiday tomorrow
   C. Wabwure asked Opiyo was it a holiday the following day
   D. Wabwure asked Opiyo if it would be a holiday the following day

23. My father feeds the cows every day.
   A. The cows are feeding every day
   B. The cows were fed every day
   C. My father can feed the cows every day
   D. The cows are fed every day

For question 24 and 25, choose the correct alternative to fill the blank spaces.

24. They talked to the shopkeeper _______ they bought the goods
   A. with whose
   B. from whom
   C. whom
   D. which

25. During our visit to Kisumu, we _______ at our uncle’s place
   A. put up
   B. put up with
   C. put in
   D. put
Read the passage below and answer questions 26 -30.

The news spread like fire in a dry grassland. Juma Balana had won not one but two million shillings competition! Two of the village men had clearly read his name in a newspaper. Before this time, Balana was regarded as just another villager in his remote neighbourhood. But now things were different. Balana had won two million shillings and so he had suddenly become a VIP, a very important person.

Most people in this village could not comprehend how much two million shillings was. The more knowledge ones two million was a colossal sum, uncountable, indescribable and more or less inexhaustible. So all of a sudden, Balana become a celebrity. He was the one person that everyone wanted to be a friend or a relative to.

People claimed all sorts of relationships to him. “We are very close,” Someone was overheard saying in a matatu. In fact we are like brothers.” To prove the closeness, he went on to claim that Balana’s great-grandfather was a cousin to his great-grandmother.

Others claimed friendship with Balana, “I am the friend of the brother-in-law of the friend of Balana’s best friend,” said Mwati, the village tailor. Such stories flooded the whole neighbourhood. According to the villagers, Balana had suddenly become incredibly rich. He could buy shambas, houses, cars and anything else that he wished for himself, his family and whole village, not only for that time but for generations to come.

The day came when Balana was expected to collect his two million, according to the newspaper report. Some people offered to escort him to the relevant office in their local town.

Balana saw nothing wrong with fellow villagers joining him in his moment of joy and glory if they saw wished. In fact, he planned to throw a big party for the whole village. That is why he was not embarrassed to wear a suit that a fellow villager had lent him for his big day.

When they got to the right office, Balana walked in, ID cards in hand and in the company of two of his twenty escorts. The others were waiting outside, softly rehearsing praise songs for the lucky Balana. Still more waited at home, also dancing and singing. Balana handed in his ID to the cashier and beamed with expectations. Then came the terrible news. There was a mistake! A minor but serious spelling mistake. The winner, according to the competition organizer’s record was Juma Balana but not Juma Barana. The cashier apologized profusely, “Very very sad indeed.”

Balana’s two companions almost collapsed. Balana stood there, sweating and speechless, too shocked to hear whatever else the cashier was saying.

Balana started walking out in his borrowed suit, empty handed, dizzy with his head bowed. Just then, another man walked in handed his ID card to the cashier, “Juma Barana! the cashier called out. The winner has arrived.

26. How can we best describe the way the news spread?
A. Quite fast  B. Very fast  C. Lie lightening  D. Rather fast

27. We can say that before Balana ‘won’ the competition, he was regarded as
A. a commoner  B. a villager  C. another person  D. an ordinary person

28. Why do you think Balana became a celebrity among the villagers?
A. He has won an extremely large amount of money
B. His name appeared in all newspaper
C. Everyone wanted to be his friend or relative
D. Everyone regarded him as a VIP

29. What is funny about the sorts of relationships that the villagers claimed
A. They did not include blood relationships  B. Many of them were extremely far-fetched
C. They were mainly associated with in-law relationships  D. They concerned relationships with people who lived in ancient times only

30. Such stories flooded the whole neighbourhood. This means that
A. the relationship stories were present in large numbers  B. There was nothing in the neighbourhood except relationships stories
C. everybody in the neighbourhood wanted to tell a relationship story  D. people in the neighbourhood talked of nothing else at all except relationships
31. The villagers' view of what two million shillings could do was
A. somehow unrealistic
B. firmly inaccurate
C. rather well informed
D. very unrealistic

32. What one main reason could have made people start being nice to Balana?
A. So that they could be allowed to escort him collect the cheque
B. So that they could become famous like him
C. So that he could give them some money when he got it
D. So as to appear to be more important that the rest of the villagers

33. Why did Balana accept to have villagers escort him collect his cheque?
A. so that they could join in his happiness
B. Because they were related to him in one way of the other
C. Because they had shown him a lot of kindness
D. So that they could sing praise songs

34. The fact that Balana handed in the ID card beaming with expectations shows that
A. he wanted the people around to know who the winner was
B. he wanted the cashier to give him the cheque quickly
C. he was confident that he was able to receive the cheque
D. he was not too sure that he would get the cheque

35. The cashier apologized profusely suggested that the cashier apologized
A. relunctantly
B. in a pretending manner
C. very much
D. using many words

36. What do you think happened when Balana met the villagers who were dancing and singing his praise?
A. They started singing songs to criticize him
B. He joined them in dancing and singing so as to forget his misery
C. He gave them a talk on the danger of the misspelling names
D. He could not talk to them because of disappointment

37. Who or what do you think was probably to blame for the terrible mistake?
A. the villagers who do not keep information to themselves
B. The newspapers or person that misspelt the winners name
C. The organization of the competition who picked the wrong winner
D. The villagers who got over about the winner

38. A good title for the story can be
A. the competition winner
B. newspaper lies
C. the competitor loser
D. dashed hopes

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Read the passage below then answer questions 39 - 50

Surgery is a medical treatment carried out by performing an operation on the affected part of the body. The doctor who performs an operation is called a surgeon. The doctor gives a dose of chloroform to patients before an operation. After that, parts of the patients body may be unconscious.

A youth scottish doctor called James Simpson found out that surgery was very necessary to the medical profession. However, the procedure was very painful and sometimes patients died due to pain. Other patient feared the pain and preferred suffering from serious disease than having a surgery. In 1847, James Simpson, discovered chloroform.

Chloroform was highly accepted in the medical profession as it made operations pain less. However a few weeks after a successful operation, patients died. Doctors said that the deaths were caused by blood poisoning. A young doctor called Joseph Lister who worked in a Glasgow Hospital, he decided to find out what caused blood poisoning in the patients. After
many weeks of continuous observations, Lister discovered that blood poisoning was caused by germs. The germs survived in the air and water. The germs go into the wound causing them to become septic or infected. The poisonous matter then goes into the blood.

In 1865, Lister found out that no germs would live in carbolic acid. It was a strong antiseptic in fighting of swollen. Therefore carbolic acid was accepted and used to treat wounds after surgery.

One problem however remained a puzzle to the surgeons, it was difficult to know which disease needed surgical treatment. It was also difficult to know the exact spot that was to be operated. For example a bullet, burned deep in the body could hardly be spotted. This troubled the thought of German scientist. By applying scientific know how, Rontgen a German scientist, discovered the X-ray in 1895.

X-ray the powerful rays which can pass through solid substance which ordinary light cannot pass through unknown rays, Rontgen was awarded a Nobel Prize for physics in 1901.

Today, doctors all over the world use X-ray photographs to locate the exact position of a disease in the body. X-rays are also used in treating diseases located deep in the body. Treating disease by X-ray is referred to as radiotherapy.

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<td>39. According to the passage, which statement is true?</td>
<td>A. In surgery, most parts of the body must be cut off</td>
<td>B. In surgery, it is necessary to cut off some parts in the body</td>
<td>C. In surgery, you must be unconscious while the inner parts of the stomach is painfully out of</td>
<td>D. In surgery, it is not necessary to be unconscious</td>
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<td>41. In which century was chloroform discovered?</td>
<td>A. 19th</td>
<td>B. 17th</td>
<td>C. 16th</td>
<td>D. 20th</td>
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<td>42. Before the invention of chloroform why did patients die?</td>
<td>A. Blood poisoning</td>
<td>B. Bullets hit the inner parts in the body</td>
<td>C. Due to pain</td>
<td>D. Because they feared operation</td>
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<td>43. What caused blood poisoning according to the passage?</td>
<td>A. poison put in the body by bad doctors</td>
<td>B. germs from air and water</td>
<td>C. septic wounds</td>
<td>D. poison matter which gets into the blood from rotten hands</td>
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<td>44. Antiseptic is harmful only when</td>
<td>A. taken orally</td>
<td>B. put in wound</td>
<td>C. not used by doctors</td>
<td>D. poisonous matter which gets into the blood from rotten wounds</td>
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<td>45. Which is the best order of the inventories</td>
<td>A. antiseptic - x-ray - chloroform</td>
<td>B. Chloroform - x-ray - chloroform</td>
<td>C. Chloroform - X-ray - chloroform</td>
<td>D. Chloroform - X-ray - antiseptic</td>
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<td>46. Lister is known for the discovery of</td>
<td>A. use of carbolic acid as antiseptic</td>
<td>B germs in air and water</td>
<td>C. X-ray</td>
<td>D. chloroform</td>
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<td>47. X-rays were so called because the rays</td>
<td>A. passed through the solid matter</td>
<td>B. could locate bullets deep in the body</td>
<td>C. were unknown</td>
<td>D. were like ordinary photo graph</td>
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<td>48. Radiotherapy is</td>
<td>A. treating diseases disease using X ray</td>
<td>B. taking X-ray</td>
<td>C. giving people chloroform</td>
<td>D. treating a disease through surgery</td>
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<td>49. Why do doctors all over the world use X-ray?</td>
<td>A. To locate the exact position of a disease in the body</td>
<td>B. To lessen the pain</td>
<td>C. To save time during surgery</td>
<td>D. it made operation less risky</td>
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<td>50. The best title for the passage is</td>
<td>A. A man discovers antiseptics</td>
<td>B. Important inventions of medicine</td>
<td>C. Discovery of X-ray</td>
<td>D. A man discovered chloroform</td>
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