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**ALLIANCE GIRLS HIGH SCHOOL
AGRICULTURE
PAPER 1
MARKING SCHEME**

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MARKING SCHEME

SECTION A (30MARKS)

1. a) Fragmentation
- Refers to a situation in which a farmer owns several pieces land located in different areas (1x ½ = ½ mk)
- b) causes of land fragmentation
 - i) Inheritance- where an individual inherits land from different ancestors
 - ii) People buying pieces of land elsewhere due to pressure on existing land
 - iii) Compensation – when the government takes part of one’s land for public use the owner may be compensated by giving him and the piece of land elsewhere (2x ½ =1mk)
2. 4 advantage of using organic matter for mulching
 - i) conserves soil moisture
 - ii) Reduces growth of weeds
 - iii) Regulates soil Temperature
 - iv controls soil erosion
 - v) Adds nutrients when it decomposes /Buffers soil PH
 - vi) Improves soil structure when it decomposes
 - vii) Increases water holding capacity after decomposition
 - viii) Increases microbial activity
 - ix) Improves water infiltration into the soil (4x ½ =2 mks)
3. 4 Reasons for crop Rotation
 - i) Maintains soil fertility
 - ii) controls pests / diseases
 - iii) Controls weeds
 - iv) Reduces chances of soil erosion
 - v) Makes maximum use of soil Nutrients (4x ½ =2mks)
4. Two disadvantages of growing one type of annual crop Continually on the piece of land
 - i) Build up of pests /Diseases
 - ii) Depletion of certain / some types of Nutrients
 - iii) Build up of weeds that are characteristic to that crop
 - iv) Destruction of soil structure
5. 4 Factors determining the number of cultivation When preparing land
 - i) Soil moisture
 - ii) Size of planting material
 - iii) Time available to carry out the operation before planting
 - iv) Type of machinery available
 - v) Cost of operation
 - vi) Gradient of land
 - vii) Cropping history of the land
 - viii) Skill of the operator
 - ix) Type of soil
6. 4 methods of improving Labour productivity
 - i) Training the Labour force
 - ii) Labour supervision
 - iii) Farm mechanization

- iv Giving incentives e.g. promotion, housing etc
- v) Assigning duties to workers according to their ability /interest (4x ½ =2mks)
- 7. a) Explaining the meaning:
 - i) Marginal Returns
The Extras Revenue /Output earned from each additional unit of input (1x ½ = ½ mk)
 - ii) Gross National product (G D P)
 - The sum total of all goods and services produced in a country in one yea (1x ½ = ½ mk)
 - iii) Opportunity cost
 - The return foregone when a resource factor is taken from to best alternative use (1x ½ = ½ mk)
 - iv) Per capital income
The income per person per year in a county (1x ½ = ½ mk)
- 8. 2ways in which soil PH affects crop production
 - i) Determines the type of soil micro-organisms present
 - ii) Determine the availability of certain nutrients in the soil
 - iii) Determine the presence of certain pests and diseases in the soil
 - iv) Determine the type of crop to growth
 - v) Determines the type of fertilizers to apply (2x ½ =1mk)
- 9. 2 mechanical methods of separating soil particle
According to size in soil analysis
 - i) Use of sieves
 - ii) Graduated cylinder / clear bottle and water
- 10. 4 factors affecting quality of Hay
 - i) Stage at which the grass is harvested
 - ii) Efficiency in preparation
 - iii) Storage conditions
 - iv) Species of crops used in making hay
 - v) Length of drying period
 - vi) Prevailing weather conditions when drying (4x ½ =2mk)
- 11. One cause of swellings on Beans
 - i) Nematode attack
 - ii) Root nodules (1x ½ = ½ mks)
- 12. 2 factors which influence soil productivity

1) Soil dept	4) water holding capacity	
2) Drainage	5) soil PH	(2x ½ =1mk)
3) Aeration		
- 13. 4 factors influence solifluction
 - i) The slope of land
 - ii) The nature of the material
 - iii) Climate
 - iv) Vegetation cover
 - v) Human activities
 - vi) Forces within the earth's crust

4x ½ =2mks
- 14. 4 factors affecting selectivity of herbicides
 - i) Stage of growth of plant
 - ii) Plant morphology and anatomy
 - iii) Mode of action

- iv) Environmental factors 4x ½ =2mks
15. 4 Benefits of Agroforestry
- i) Source of wood fuel
 - ii) Source of income
 - iii) Environmental benefits
 - iv) Labour savings
 - v) Aesthetic value
 - vi) Source of food
 - vii) Source of timber
 - ix) Medicinal value (4x ½ =2mks)
16. 2- Types of product –product Relationships
- i) Joint products e.g. milk and butter; pork and brustler, honey and wax, Grains and straws; Beef and hide
 - ii) Competitive product- Dairy and beef wheat and maize
 - iii) Supplementary product – poultry and vegetable
 - iv) complementary products – dairy and pigs, crops and livestock minor crop in the main crop interplanted e.g. beans and coffee, beans and maize 2x ½ =1mk
17. 4 activities carried out by young farmer club
- i) Organizing and participating in annual Y F C rallies and camp
 - ii) Participating and competing in A S K show activities e.g livestock judging, ploughing contests
 - iii) Planting trees
 - iv) Organizing agricultural field days for local communities
 - v) Participating in agricultural exchange program me but locally and internationally (4x ½ =2mks)
18. 4 deficiency symptoms of phosphorus
- i) Started growth
 - ii) Reduced branching in stems /roots
 - iii) Dormant lateral back
 - iv) Purple colouration of leave
 - v) Reduced formation and development of seeds flower, fruits and tubers in crops
 - vi) Weak stems
 - vii) Premature leaf fall (4x ½ =2 mk)
19. 2 characteristics of a Good Rootstock
- i) Healthy
 - ii) Compatible with different scions
 - iii) Resistant to soil borne diseases and pests
 - iv) iv) Adaptable to different soil conditions (2x ½ =1mk)

SECTION B (20 MARKS)

20. i) Identify-A-Weaver bird (1x ½ = ½ mk)
- ii) 2 ways – bird causes damage
- i) Eats grass
 - ii) Causes the grains to fall off
 - iii) Exposes maize cobs to rain leading to rotting
- iv) Strips the leaves (2x ½ 1mk)
- iii) 4 methods of control
- 1) Trapping
 - 2) Growing different crops on the same farms
 - 3) Scaring /Bombing

- 4) Poisoning
5) Destroying the nests
6) Killing
- 21 i) 2 practices not carried out
- Pruning
- Stacking (2x ½ =1mk)
ii) 2 problems of not carrying out the management practices
- Pest control would be difficult
- There would be low production
- Harvesting would be very difficult
- Disease control would be difficult
- fruits would be small in size
- Wastage of chemicals while spraying
- Fruits will be soiled (2x ½ =1mk)
22. i) Identify the weed
- Black jack /bidens pilosa (1x ½ = ½ mk)
ii) 2 reasons for controlling the weed
- Avoids competition for nutrients moisture light
- Black jack seeds contaminate some crops
- May be alternate host to some pests e.g. Aphida, white flies which attack crops like beans
- The seeds of the weed may prickle and irritate the workers 2X ½ =1MK
iii) One herbicide to control in maize plantation
-M C P A
-2, 4, D 1x ½ = ½ mk
iv) Stage of growth of maize to apply a pre-emergence herbicide
o Al 10-15cm High /2-5 leaf stage /2-4wks 1x2= ½ mk
- 23 i) cut- off drain
-An open trench with an embankment on the lower side (1x ½ = ½ mk)
ii) Procedure of constructing cut- off drain
- Measure and mark the layout
- Dig and remove the soil from the channel as heap it on the lower side of the drain (2x1=2mks)
- iii) Factor determines width & depth of the cut-off drain
o Expected volume of ran off
o Soil type 1x ½ = ½ mk

24. i) purchase order from Agro- vet shop to Lutonyi Farm

LOCAL PURCHASE ORDER		Lutonyi Farm Addressv p.o Box 1020 KIMILILI Date 10-1-2010v	
No.....v			
TO: Agro- vet shop (Address)v P.o. Box 400 BUNGOMA			
Please supply the following itemsv			
Items No v Quantityv	Particulars v	Unit v	

1	Dairy meal	70kg bag	20
2	Bran	70kg bag	16
3	D. S. P (Fertilizer)	50kg bag	18
✓			
4	Seed maize	2kg bag	
45			
5	shearing knife	medium size	
8	Ordered by _____ signature✓ Authorized by _____ signature✓ Farm Manager		

Guide to marking scheme

Mark any 8 correct points x ½ =4 marks

- ii) Value of each item purchased and Total value of the order
- a) Valued of items purchased
- 1) Dairy meal kshs 1,100x20 = kshs 22,000✓
- 2) Bran kshs 700 x 16 = kshs 11,200✓
- 3) D S P (fertilizer) kshs 1,500 x18 = kshs 27,000✓
- 4) Seed maize kshs 300 x45 = kshs 13,500✓
- 5) Knives Kshs 300 x8 = kshs 2,400✓
- b) Total value of order = kshs 76,100✓ (4x ½ =2mks)
25. i) Experiment Testing
- Capillarity in soil samples A,B and C (1x ½ = ½ mk)
- ii) 3 soil sample
- A- Sand✓
- B- Loam ✓ 3x ½ =1 ½
- C-Clay✓
- iii) characteristic Texture – soil samples A and C
- A- coarse/rough 1x ½ = ½ mk
- C- Smooth /sticky when wet 1x ½ = ½ mk
- iv) Improvement of soil structure A
- Add organic matters /manure 1x ½ = ½ mk

SECTION C (40 MARKS)

26. a) sites for Agro-forestry trees
- i) Trees on boundaries – These are used as live fences
- ii) Homesteads - Trees grown around the homestead as wind breakers and for shade
- iii) River bank – Grown to protect against river bank erosion and catchment areas
- iv) Terraces - Trees stabilize the Terraces and provide organic when leaves decompose
- v) Slopes - farm the contour hedges which create barriers against soil creep
- Mention site – 1mk
- Explanation – 1mk 5x2=10mks
- b) 5 factors considered in choosing type of irrigation
- i) Capital availability – This determines the type of irrigation to be used Drip and overhead irrigation require high initial capital for installation and maintenance
- 2) Topography – surface irrigation require flat land
- 3) Water availability – surface irrigation require s large quantities of water while drip and overhead irrigation require little water

- 4) Type of soil – surface irrigation is best suited for clay soil because they hold water for a long time
 - 5) Type of crop- The crops to be irrigated should have high value to justify the irrigation cost
 - 6) Availability of clean water – Drip irrigation and overhead require clean water to avoid blockage (5x2=10mks)
27. a) Production of Tea use of pegging method
- 1) After the seedling has attained a height of 30cm
 - 2) Cut back the main stem to 15cm above the ground
 - 3) Allow lateral branches to grow to about 50- 70cm
 - 4) Then peg the branches at a slanting angle /30-45⁰
 - 5) Tip off the tips of pegged branches (5x2=10mks)
- b) Tomato growing under
- i) Transplanting
 - 1) Water the nursery thoroughly to lift the seedlings easily
 - 2) Select only healthy and vigorous seedlings
 - 3) Lift the seedlings with a lump of soil attached to the roots
 - 4) Add /spoonful of phosphoric fertilizer /handful of well rotten manure to the planting hole
 - 5) Place and mix well with the soil
 - 6) Place the seedling in the planting hole at the same depth as it were in the nursery
 - 7) Place and firm the soil around the base of seedlings
 - 8) Water the seedlings as appropriate
 - 9) Apply mulch /erect shade around the seedling
 - 10) Transplant on a cloudy day or Late in the evening when it is not too hot
 - 11) Transport the seedlings carefully
 - 12) Transplant the seedlings at 4-6 weeks /4-6 true leaves stage (10x1=10mks)
- 27 b) ii) Tomato diseases and the control measures
- i) Tomato blight
 - A fungal disease caused by a fungus
 - Phytophthora infestans
 - Control by spraying fungicides like ridomil, dithane m45
 - ii) Bacterial wilt
 - A bacteria disease caused by a bacterium pseudomonas solanacearum

CONTROL MEASURES:

- Uproot and burn infected plants (Rogueing)
 - Use certified seeds
 - Crop rotation
- iii) Blossom- end Rot
- This is a physiological disease caused by calcium deficiency in young stage, too much Nitrogen application in young stage, infrequent watering

Control measures

- Top dress with correct quantity of Nitrogen
 - Top dress with calcium Ammonium Nitrate,
 - Regular watering
 - Application of mulch
- iv) Control of vectors e.g. Tobacco white fly
- They transmit viral diseases

Control: - use suitable pesticides

v) Damping off disease

A fungal disease Attacks Tomato seedling in the Nursery

Control measures

i) Reduce shade

ii) Reduce frequency of watering

iii) Apply fungicides

1 mark for disease/ condition 5x1=5marks

1 mark for control measure 5x1=5 marks

Total =10marks

28

a) Marketing Functions

1) Buying and assembling from producers

2) Transporting and distributing to ware houses and consumers

3) Storage

4) Packing

5) Processing

6) Grading and standardization

7) Packaging

8) Collecting market information

9) Selling

10) Bearing risks and uncertainties

10X1=10MARKS

b) Various Land Tenure systems practised in Kenya

- Leasehold /Tenancy/Landlordism

This gives legal rights to an individual to own and use land at a payment for a specific period of time

- Company /concession

This is where a company and government enter an agreement on the use of land for a specific period of time

- Communal land Tenure

This is where the whole community has the right to the use of land

- Individual ownership /Individual owner operator/ True hold ownership

This is where land is owned by an individual farmer who either operates it or leases it to another person to operate

- State Land /Government ownership

Here the state /government controls land use

- Co-operative land Tenure

Here land is owned by a group of members who run it on cooperative basis

Awarding of marks

1 mark for Land Tenure system 5x1=5marks

1 mark for explanation 5x1=5marks

Total= 10mark