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SCHOOL BASED ASSESSMENT TEST

STANDARD 5- YEAR 2021

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ENGLISH:LANGUAGE

Time: 1hr 40minutes

READ THESE INSTRUCTIONS CAREFULLY

1. You have been given this question paper and a separate answer sheet. The question paper contains 50 questions.
2. Make sure that you have written on the answer sheet.

ti) Your name _____ (i) Name of your school _____

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Read the passage below carefully and fill in the blank spaces numbered 1-15 with the correct answer.

Once upon a **1** _____, in a very far-off country whose name has now been **2** _____
 I lived an old man **3** name was Jacabo. He was a **4** _____ witchdoctor who
 had magical powers. He had a child called Okabi, meaning **5** _____ only child. He was brave and
6 _____ . His father **7** _____ very proud **8** _____ him. He **9** _____ not want any harm
 to befall **10** _____ . He **11** _____ not send him far away **12** _____ he feared he might
 be **13** _____ . He always told him, " **14** _____ you to be the greatest witchdoctor."

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| 1. | A.time | B.day | C.year | D.ago |
| 2. | A.forgotten | B.foret | C.forgetten | D.forgot |
| 3. | A.their | B.they | C.there | D.them |
| 4. | A.whih | B.that | C.who's | D.whose |
| 5. | A.greet | B.grate | C.graet | D.great |
| 6. | A.an | B.a | C.the | D.some |
| 7. | A.beautiul | B.handsome | C.pretty | D.taller |
| 8. | A.was | B.is | C.had | D.were |
| 9. | A.of | B.off | C.wit | D.at |
| 10. | A. does | B. did | C.didn't | D.do |

11. A. it B. her C. him D. his
12. A. shall B. will C. should D. would
13. A. because B. and C. however D. then *e.*
14. A. attacking B. attacked C. attacks D. attack
15. A. wanted B. wants C. want D. wanting

For questions 16-18, choose the best preposition.

16. Her birthday is _____ 22nd June.
A. of _____ B. at
C. on _____ D. in
17. The cat jumped _____ the window.
A. along _____ B. through
C. on _____ D. in
18. I am afraid _____ snakes.
A. off _____ B. from
C. for _____ D. of

For questions 19-20, choose the adjective from the sentences given.

19. We saw a yellow bird.
A. yellow _____ B. saw
C. bird _____ D. we
20. The choir has sung a great song.
A. choir _____ B. sung
C. great _____ D. song

For questions 21 to 22, choose the best alternative to fill the blank spaces.

21. Dog is to kennel as _____ is to _____
A. temple _____ B. palace
C. igloo _____ D. tent
22. Man is to house as lion is to _____
A. den _____ B. cell
C. forest _____ D. park

For questions 23-25, choose the correct sound.

23. A horse _____
A. grunts _____ B. roars
C. neighs _____ D. crows
24. A snake _____
A. hums _____ B. quacks
C. sithers _____ D. hisses

25. A bull _____
A. bleats _____ B. bellows
C. trumpets _____ D. purrs

Read the passage below and then answer questions 26 to 38.

Once upon a time, Malonza, a hunter, lived in the savannah. One day, while hunting **y** the river, he saw a beautiful woman and wanted to marry her.

The woman refused but Malonza never ceased wooing her. She accepted after he promised to get her some kangas from the coast.

They were soon married and had plump beautiful children. In the seventh year of their marriage, the rains refused to come and the savannah became more arid.

The children cried because they were hungry and this made Malonza very sad. One day, Malonza's wife disclosed to him that she had a solution that would relieve the situation. However, she would only do so if Malonza pledged to keep secret what she was about to tell him. What do you think **ti** is secret

was?

The secret helped Malonza get some ivory. He went with the ivory to the Coast to trade and in exchange, he got a lot of food from the traders at the Coast. However, Malonza could not carry all the food by himself. He found porters who were willing to help him carry the food back home on condition that he would tell them the source of his ivory.

When they arrived at home, the porters asked Malonza to show them where he had got the ivory from. Unfortunately, Malonza could not share the secret because he had made a vow to his wife not to tell. The porters refused to leave Malonza's home. Malonza decided to persuade his wife to repeat the secret act that had brought forth the ivory so that they would get rid of the porters. She refused, but Malonza was adamant.

Later that night, while everyone else was asleep, Malonza's wife crept out of the house and disappeared never to be seen again as a human being.

26. According to the first paragraph Malonza was a
- A. farmer
 - B. hunter
 - C. wife
 - D. trader
27. What was Malnza doing when he saw a beautiful woman?
- A. Bathing in the river
 - B. Fishing in the river
 - C. Hunting by the river
 - D. Trading in ivory
28. Why did the woman accept Malonza's marriage proposal?
- A. She was a beautiful woman
 - B. He lived in the coast
 - C. She loved him
 - D. He promised her some kangas
29. How long was Malonza married when the rains refused to come?
- A. Six years
 - B. Seven years
 - C. Four years
 - D. Five years
30. The children cried because
- A. they were very thirsty
 - B. there was nothing to eat
 - C. they were very sad
 - D. there was no rain
31. The word **plump** as used in the passage means the same as
- A. thin
 - B. fat
 - C. fat
 - D. slim
33. What do you think was the secret to the solution of the family's problem?
- A. The ivory
 - B. The food
 - C. The coast
 - D. His wife
34. To tell a secret is to;
- A. keep your eggs in one bag
 - B. let the cat out of the bag
 - C. blow one's trumpet
 - D. show the other side of the coin
35. Why did the porters accept to help Malonza?
- A. In order to get paid
 - B. There was a lot of food
 - C. To be green the ivory
 - D. In order to know the source of the ivory
36. What happened when Malonza refused to share the secret?
- A. The porters left
 - B. The porters chased his wife away
 - C. The porters refused to leave
 - D. The wife left in broad-day light.
37. Did Malonza's wife reveal the secret?
- A. Yes, she did
 - B. Probably
 - C. No, she didn't
 - D. slim

D. slender

C. It's
most
likely she
did

D. No, she
didn't

32. Who had a solution to the problem that Malonza's family was facing

- A. Malonza
- B. Malonza's children
- C. The traders
- D. Malonza's wife

38. What would be the best title for the above passage?

- A. Malonza and his wife
- B. The great trader
- C. Famine in the land
- D. Malonza's children

Read the passage below and then answer questions 39 to 50.

When things are not going the way you want, do you complain too much? If the answer is yes, then you are what people call a cry-baby.

Kamene is a standard five pupil, in a boarding school. It is opening day and she has accompanied her mother to the supermarket for some back-to-school shopping. Her mother can only afford to buy the essential things for Kamene. But Kamene wants to fill the trolley with many things she can do without including biscuits, margarine and cakes. Her mother asks her to eat dry bread for a week.

Kamene immediately replaces her smile with a long face, in spite of her mother's gentle words. She starts complaining and accuses her mother of not planning her back-to-school in advance. To make matters worse, she remains behind a shelf to cry and her mother has to come back for her.

"But Kamene dear, I did not know we were going to get into financial problems. It caught me by surprise. Don't worry, I will get some money next week and bring you the rest of the things you need at school."

After much persuasion, Kamene gives in, but not before taking her helpless mother to hell and back. A cry-baby can also be called a whiner, complainer or grumbler. Please, do not be one.

39.

According to paragraph one, who is a cry-baby

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- A. one who cries a lot
- B. one who complains a lot
- C. one who is a baby
- D. one who always annoys others

40.

All the following statements are true except

41.

- A. Kamene is in standard five
 - B. Kamene is in a day school
 - C. Kamene accompanied her mother to the supermarket
 - D. Kamene and her mother went shopping
- Kamene's mother could only afford

42.

- A. cakes
- B. margarine
- C. essential things
- D. everything in the supermarket

The words '**Dry bread**' as used in the second paragraph means

- A. bread that has no water
- B. bread made of flour

- C. To pick more items
unh B. To help her mother
eallt C. To cry
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44. The expression '**financial problems**' means the same as:
A. money problems
B. domestic problems
C. personal problems
D. **family problems**
45. When did Kamene **finally** agree with her mother?
A. immediately
B. after a lot of persuasion
C. after little persuasion
D. **after being punished**
46. 'Kamene wants to fill the trolley.'
The **underlined** word is
A. a noun B. a verb
C. an adverb D. an adjective
47. According to the passage, a cry- baby can also be called the following names **except**
d
A. whiner B. complainer
C. grumbler D. **winer**
48. We can say Kamene was as greedy as a
A. dog B. sheep
C. hyena D. **monkey**
49. Kamene's mother would have taught Kamene that charity begins at
A. school B. **church**
C. home D. hospital
50. **What** would be the **best** title for the above passage?
A. Shopping at a supermarket
B. Kamene, the cry- baby
C. Kamene and her father
D. A helpless mother