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Mock Examination for B.E.C.E Candidates

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ENGLISH LANGUAGE 2 & 1
(ESSAY AND OBJECTIVE TEST)

2 hours

Name: .....

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INSTRUCTIONS

Do not open this booklet until you are told to do so. While you are waiting, read and observe the following instructions carefully. Write your name and index number in ink in the spaces provided above.

This booklet consists of two papers. Answer Paper 2 which comes first, in your answer booklet and Paper 1 on your Objective Test answer sheet provided. Paper 2 will last 60 minutes after which the answer booklet will be collected. Do not start Paper 1 until you are told to do so. Paper 1 will last 60 minutes.

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PAPER 2

PART A

ESSAY: WRITING - [30 Marks]

*Answer **one** question only from this part.*

*Your composition should be about **250** words long.*

Credit will be given for clarity of expression and orderly presentation of material.

1. In an article for publication in your local newspaper, write on two effects of environmental pollution in your area and suggest two ways of controlling it.

00Write a letter to the Director of Health in your district, discussing **two** activities food sellers do that pose health issu es for the members of your community and suggest one solution.

2. You have been enstooled as chief of your community. Write a letter to your friend in another school telling him/her at least two things you intend doing to develop the community.

PART B

COMPREHENSION - [20 Marks]

3. ***Read the following passage carefully and answer all the questions that follow.***

After a hard day's work, man must relax. Relaxation helps us to regain energy used during hard work. It is in line with its **necessity** that people entertain themselves with television, computer games, sports, music and what have you. The mind and body become fresh and strong **respectively** for the task, hence the adage "all work and no play, makes Jack a dull boy." People before the late 70s knew this and had time for entertainment. Those people had different ways of relaxing.

I remember before and just after Ghana's independence, people in the communities came together at home and in the communities to enjoy folk music. It was during this time that the guitar, then called "*ahamaesia*" was introduced.

The other form of entertainment and perhaps more entertaining, was the Ananse stories. It was interesting to listen to those stories. People **yearned** to get the latest ones to be the first to tell their **audience**. Apart from the amusement it offered, folktales themselves increased the wisdom of the people, after listening to the **wits** of Kweku Ananse, the main character in the Ananse stories. People had to take precautions in their dealings with others. Education authorities knew this and gave it a place on the school timetable.

However, with man's historic conquer of the moon and the introduction of technology; this has become a thing of the past. In its place are the craze for money without much toll and the use of hard drugs among the youth. Truly, there is wisdom in the Ananse stories.

Answer the following questions.

a. Why is relaxation necessary?

b. Write **two** things folktales offered the people before the late 70s.

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c. Why was folktale given a place on the school timetable some time ago?

d. **i.** What negative effects has the introduction of technology brought to man?
ii. State any **two** forms of entertainment given by the writer.

e. Explain the following expressions in your own words.

i. *what have you*
ii. *gave it a place*
iii. *a thing of the past*

f. For each of the following words, give another word or phrase that means the same, and can fit into the passage.

i. necessity
ii. respectively
iii. yearned
iv. audience
v. wits

PART C

LITERATURE - [10 Marks]

Answer all this questions in this part

4. SACKEY J.K AND DARMANI L. (COMP):The cockcrow

B. AAKYE : The Colour of God

15 *And damask and aquamarine*
If you doubt me ……

a. Complete line 16 of the above poem.

LADE WORSUNU: Desert Rivers

5 *And winds that dry*
Roofed not by sky

b. What sound device can be identified in lines 5 and 6?

c. From the above extract, what literary device is dominant?

LAWRENCE DARMANI: Scribbler's Dream

When upon the shelf you gaze
5 *vacuum stares at you*
There is your quill and parchment
But heavy are your hands
Why?

d. '*quill and parchment'* as used by the poet refers to ……

e. Line 5 reveals that vacuum stares at the persona. What does it mean?

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PAPER 1(OBJECTIVE TEST)

Answer All Questions

Each question is followed by **four** *options lettered A to D. Find the correct option for each question and shade* **in pencil** *on your answer sheet the space which bears the same letter as the option you have chosen. Give only* **one** *answer to each question*

SECTION A: LEXIS AND STRUCTURE

From the alternatives lettered A to D, choose the one which suitably completes each sentence

1. If l were you, I ..... study hard for the examination.
A. will B. would C. will have D. would have

2. If I were the manager, I ..... satisfy my customers.
A. will B. shall C. would D. must

3. She ..... the scene before that accident occurred.
A. leaves B. has left C. left D. had left

4. The teacher wanted to know if all our homework.....submitted.
A. have been B. has been C. had been D. is being

5. People shouldn't drop litter on the pavement, ...?
A. don't they B. should they
C. shouldn't they D. can they

6. You don't speak Nzema. ……
A. do you? B. can you?
C. don't you? D. won't you?

7. Human beings will not live forever. ……..... ?
A. will they B. isn't it
C. does it D. shall they

8. After I went out, I suddenly realized.....
A. I would forget to lock the door.
B. I have to take my book with me
C. I will have finish my assignment
D. I had forgotten to take the key

9. He can't believe ..... he gave up smoking last week.
A. What B. when C. whether D. how

10. It seems .....he won't be able to catch the last bus to the terminal.
A. that B. why C. what D. as

11. There is a common belief throughout human history.....
A. where to live
B. that hell and heaven will be visited after death
C. the horse is the main vehicle for transport
D. the ancestor of all nations originated in Asia

12. What you all know about the case is .....I have forgotten to do this morning.
A. that B. what C. how D. when

13. There are eight chairs in your room …….?
A. Aren't they B. Aren't there
C. Are they D. Isn't it

14. I think I can stay ……... longer.
A. any B. much C. more D. very

15. ……..the holidays, we travelled to Kintampo.
A. In B. Throughout C. For D. During

16. They are anxious ……... the examination results.
A. about B. by C. at D. with

17. You can't play football ……..... these boots.
A. in B. on C. by D. with

18. The accused admitted ..... four previous armed robberies.
A. for B. in C. to D. at

19. Kwesi and….went through hard times in school.
A. her B. him C. I D. me

20. I prefer drinking..... eating.
A. than B. from C. to D. with

21. I have been busy thinking of the event .....you said it to me.
A. For B. since C. when D. until

22. It looks .....it is going to rain soon.
A. such as B. as though C. since D. as

23. I will not write you a letter anymore ..... I get one from you.
A. Then B. since C. until D. after

24. When we saw the dog running towards us, we ran away .....we could.
A. so soon as B. not slowly as
C. faster D. as fast as

25. ..... you are a guest in my house, I won't argue with you.
A. Although B. Then C. Now D. After

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SECTION B

Choose from the alternative from letter A to D the one which is ***nearest in meaning*** to the underlined word in each sentence.

26. The pupils were **jubilating** because they had passed their exams.
A. singing B. dancing C. shouting D. rejoicing

27. He advised us not to **emulate** his past.
A. follow B. abide C. copy D. denounce

28. Our **dependable** goalkeeper saved us from disgrace
A. reliable B. tall C. smart D. muscular

29. No one can claim to be **infallible**.
A. blameless B. incorrigible
C. sanctimonious D. incorruptible

30. Our headteacher invited many **prominent** people to our speech day.
A. well-known B. popular
C. distinguished D. good

SECTION C

In each of the following sentences a group of words has been underlined. Choose from the alternatives letter A to D the one that ***best explains*** the underlined group of words.

31. The rush for shopping during Christmas holidays has finally **died down**. This means that shopping has.....
A. lost B. decreased
C. worsened D. descended

32. The man's argument **added up**. This means the man's argument ……...
A. ended B. made sense
C. was worthless D. resulted in

33. The winning team **kept up** the pressure till the final whistle. This means the team ..... the pressure.
A. played B. pushed C. continued D. sustained

34. Although the situation at hand is a difficult one, we have to **bear with** him. This means we have to..... him.
A. tolerate B. praise C. avoid D. accept

35. It is high time political parties **ironed out** their differences for the sake of national.
A. kept up **B.** resolved **C**. kept **D.** finished

SECTION D

From the list of words lettered A to D choose the one that is mostly ***nearly opposite*** in meaning to the word underlined in each sentence.

36. The trader **agreed** to pay extra money to the council.
A. Tried B. refused C. wanted D. struggled

37. It is the fact that Emmanuella often gives **accurate** answers to questions.
A. Long B. silly C. wrong D. interesting

38. The boxer displayed a higher degree of **bravery** in the fight.
A. Speed B. cowardice C. alertness D. competence

39. The learners **rejected** the prefect chosen by the staff.
A. Admired B. adviced C. accepted D. relied on

40. The present-day youth still **indulges** in all kinds of drug abuse.
A. avoids B. increases
C. discourages D. disallows

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