FINALPREPS ASSESMENTS AND EVALUATIONS

Mock Examination for B.E.C.E Candidates

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ENGLISH LANGUAGE 2 & 1
(ESSAY AND OBJECTIVE TEST)

2 hours

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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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MOCK 2 EXAMINATION – 2025/2026

ENGLISH LANGUAGE

INSTRUCTIONS: This paper is made up of three Sections – **A, B and C.** You are to answer **all** questions in Section **A,** any **ONE (1)** question from **Section B** ***(30 Marks)*** and **ALL** questions from **SECTION C (30 Marks)**. The total mark for this paper is **100**.

SECTION A (40 Marks): *Answer* ***all*** *questions in this Section. Shade the letter corresponding to the correct answer on the* ***objective answer sheet*** *provided. Each question carries* ***1 mark.***

PART A - 30 Marks

Choose only ***one (1)*** *from this section.*

Your Words must be ***at least 250.***

Credit will be given for clarity of expression and orderly representation of answers.

1. Write a letter to the Minister of Health suggesting **four (4)** ways of keeping your country tidy.

2. Write a letter to the Municipal Chief Executive suggesting at least **three (3)** ways of minimising examination malpractice.

3. Write an article for publication in the National newspaper on the adverse effects of environmental degradation and suggest any **four (4)** remedies to help curb it.

4. Write your view on the topic: *Parents must be held responsible for the unacceptable behaviour of their children.*

5. Write a story to illustrate the saying: *Monkeys play by their sizes.*

PART B

Comprehension (30 marks)

Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions that follow.

Give precise and direct answers.

Once, in a tin village,there lived a rich and a miserly woman. She was **so mean and so miserly** that she would not spend a penny of her money if she could help it. She had no friends because she trusted no one. “They are after my money” she would say to herself and turn away anyone who tried to be friends with her.

She had no family because they were **fed up** with her miserly ways, they had all moved away. So she lived all alone. The villagers would whisper about her **fabulous** wealth and wondered to whom it would go once she died, **for children she had none**.

One day a young man heard the villagers talking about the rich old woman and thought he could make the old woman leave all her money to him. He went to the old woman’s house and knocked at her door.

“Go away!” cried the woman.

“Aunt, don’t you recognize me?” asked the young man. “I am your long lost nephew”.

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The young man refused to go away. Instead, he made himself **indispensable** and did everything the old woman asked. But the old woman was very careful, and despite all the young man's effort, he could not find her money. The young man stayed with the old woman, helping her and **running her errands** for a very long time.

One day the old woman became very ill. She called the young man and said to him, "Son, my time has come. When I am gone this house and all it contains will be yours. But please when l am finally dead please burn me while I lay on my pillow for it will give me comfort, even in death".

The young man thought the old woman's request was a small condition to fulfil in return for her fortune, for he thought the money was buried somewhere in the house. Soon the old woman died and the young man did **her bidding.**

After her funeral rites, the young man began his search for the fortune. He turned out the cupboard, tore down the walls and ceilings, and dug up the floor, but he found no treasure. He went over every inch of the house again and again but **to no avail.** He kept asking himself where the treasure was. He became frustrated and cried, "Did she take it with her when she died?"

And of course she did in the pillow she had asked the young man to burn her with.

Now answer the following questions.

6. (a.) (i) What did the old woman think of everybody?
(ii) Why didn't the old woman have any family?

(b) Why did the villagers wonder about the fate of the old woman's fortune?

(c) What was the young man's plan to deceive the old woman?

(d) Why was the young man not suspicious of the old woman's request?

(e) Explain, in your own words, the following expressions as used in the passage:

(i) so mean and so miserly; (ii.) for children she had none ; (iii.) running her errands ;

(f) For **each** of the following words, give another word or a phrase that means **the Same,** and can fit into the passage:

(i.) fed up; (ii.) fabulous; (iii.) indispensable; (iv.) her bidding ; (v.) to no avail ;

PART C

LITERATURE [10 Marks]

Answer all the questions in this part.

SACKEY J.A and DARMANI L. (COMP.): The Cockcrow.

7. Read the following extract carefully and answer Questions 7(a) to 7(c).

MERRILL CORNEY: Debbie, Sandy and Pepe

"We'd better find its nest and put it back,"she said. (Page 7)

(a) Who is speaking? **b)** To whom is this addressed? **c)** Whose nest is being talked about?

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Read the following extract carefully and answer Questions 7(d) to 7(f).

JEAN WATSON: The Old Man and His Children

"The old man sat very still with his eyes closed. But he was not asleep or even at peace. How could he be at peace when the raised voices of his twin grandsons could be heard all over the compound? "
(Page 16)

(d.) "The old man" refers to ……

(e.) Why was the old man not at peace?

(f.) What literary device is contained in the underlined expression?

Read the following extract carefully and answer Questions 7(g) to 7(j).

KAAKYIRE AKOSOMBO NYANTAKYI: Tell My Son to Hold On to His Gun

"But suddenly an unknown force pushed my finger against the bigger and

"Boom!" went a loud, deep sound from the gun." (Page 94)

(g.) What has been targeted?

(h.) The setting of the extract is ……..

(i.) "Boom" is an example of ……

(j.) Who did the action?

END OF ESSAY TEST

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SECTION A

(OBJECTIVE TEST) - 30 Marks

Choose from the alternatives, lettered A to D, the one which **most suitably** completes **each** sentence

1. Whenever a decision is taken it ___to be carried out.
(A.) had (B.) must
(C.) has (D.) should have

2. The workers were so tired ____ they decided to rest a little.
(A.) because (B.) that (C.) when (D.) then

3. At eighteen, Benewaa is ___ to take good care of her sisters.
(A.) old enough (B.) too old
(C.) older enough (D.) Enough old

4. I find it _____ comfortable to travel by air rather than by road.
(A.) Quite very much (B.) much more
(C.) quite much (D.) very much

5. After he ____ for some time without success he abandoned the whole project.
(A.) trying (B.) was tried
(C.) has tried (D.) had tried

6. Adowa said that going ____ an operation is not a pleasant experience.
A. through B. over C. in D. by

7. Do you remember that ____ some pencils?
(A.) I will promise you
(B.) I promise to you
(C.) I promise you
(D.) I promised them to you.

8. He knew ___ and so gave it to them.
(A.) that they wanted (B.) what they want
(C.) what they wanted (D.) as they want

9. The coach believes that he has a stronger team ____?
(A.) isn't (B.) doesn't he
(C.) does he (D.) don't he

10. One of the students staying far from the school ___ almost always coming to classes late.
(A.) have been (B.) are being
(C.) has been (D.) were being

11. _____ we shall go together.
(A.) If you had come early
(B.) If you came early
(C.) Although you come early
(D.) If you come early

12. I don't like my Maths teacher. Well, he doesn't like me ____.
(A.) too (B.) also (C.) quite (D.) either

13. Do you have any fruits in the box? Yes I have _____.
(A.) few (B.) a few
(C.) little (D.) a little

14. My mother had barely gone out _____ I fell sick.
(A.) when (B.) until
(C.) after (D.) than

15. Mr Ansah, with his secretary,____ to the U.K every two weeks.
(A.) go (B.) does go
(C.) has gone (D.) do go

Choose from the alternatives lettered A-D, the one that is ***nearest in meaning*** *to the underlined word in* ***each*** *sentence.*

16. The whole hospital is in **turmoil** because the nurses are on strike.
(A.) breakthrough (B.) excitement
(C.) confusion (D.) tranquillity

17. That journalist gave an **authentic** report about the Black Star's performance at Qatar.
(A.) sensitive (B.) exciting
(C.) lively (D.) accurate

18. I am very proud to speak before this **august** assembly.
(A) ignominious (B) dignified
(C) monthly (D) popular

19. The man tried to **entice** the young lady with a handsome sum of money.
(A.) force (B.) attract
(C.) control (D.) humiliate

20. The headmaster was **reluctant** to grant my request.

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(A.) disposed (B.) delighted
(C.) agreeable (D.) unwilling

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

21. After many days of hard work, the people now **see light at the end of the tunnel**
This means the people now___

(A.) have reached the end of the tunnel.
(B.) are going to have electricity
(C.) have some hope
(D.) have reached their destinations

22. The Politician told the villagers an incredible story which they **swallowed hook, line and sinker.** This means the people _____.
(A.) did not understand it
(B.) tried hard to accept it
(C.) did not believe a word of it
(D.) accepted the story completely

23. After trying many measures in vain to solve the problem, the administration **came to its wits end.** This means the administration was _____
(A.) telling a lie
(B.) worried and utterly
(C.) very hesitant
(D.) sure of its facts

24. In everything you do it is necessary **to look out.** This means you should___.
(A.) be patient (B.) examine
(C.) be careful (D.) understand it.

25. He has been walking along the streets and **nosing around.** This means that he has been ____.
(A.) sneezing (B.) complaining
(C.) idling (D.) spying

*In each of the following sentences a group of words has been underlined. Choose from the alternatives lettered A–D the one that is **most nearly opposite** in meaning to the underlined group of words.*

26. It is **imperative** for the judge to engage a secretary.
(A.) optional (B.) obligatory
(C.) flimsy (D.) order

27. It beats my imagination how Oduro can be so **carefree** in his ways.
(A.) eccentric (B.) easy-going
(C.) lovable (D.) cautious

28. The challenger was **crude** in his approach to the game.
(A.) great (B.) exposed
(C.) refined (D.) strong

29. Many of our nationals are living **impoverished** lives abroad.
(A.) affluent (B.) considerate
(C.) conservative (D.) ruined

30. This afternoon we are going to have a **practical** lesson with our Science Master.
(A.) factual (B.) real
(C.) popular (D.) theoretical

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