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**English Paper 1**

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**INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES**

1. Write your name and admission number in the spaces provided at the top of the page.
2. Write the date of the examination in the spaces provided above.
3. Answer all the questions in the spaces provided.
4. The paper consists of 7 printed pages.
5. Students should check the question paper to ascertain that all the pages are printed as indicated and that no questions are missing.
6. Ensure your work is neat.

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| **QUESTION** | **MAXIMUM SCORE** | **STUDENT’S SCORE** |
| **FUNCTIONAL WRITING** | **20** |  |
| **CLOZE TEST** | **10** |  |
| **ORAL SKILLS** | **30** |  |
| **TOTAL** | **60** |  |

1. **FUNCTIONAL WRITING**

“You have read the play “Caucasian Chalk Circle” and have found it interesting and worth reading to your younger sibling. Write a book review suggesting to the sibling to read it. (20 marks)

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1. **CLOZE TEST**

**Complete the passage below with appropriate words. Use one word in each space.**

**(10 marks)**

“Mother, I have decided to seek the new religion which you have heard about. You know my life is a painful wound to me and much as I try my heart fills with bitterness- for me and for you”.

“ My child, …1…………………………………… not feel bitterness for me for I am an old woman who has …2……………………………. her life. As for …3…………………….. it is better that you seek this new 4…………………………... It might give you hope and …5……………………………… you from bitterness. Bitterness is poison to the spirit for it breeds …6…………………………… but vipers some of which might consume your …7………………………. self. Pain and sorrow all human being feel; but bitterness drops on the spirit …8………………………………… aloes- causing it to wither. I give you my blessing my child. If you are walking along and you find your path leading nowhere, then it is only wise to try some …9………………………….path.”

“ Thank you mother. I will bring you news as soon as I …10………………………. May Were protect you.”

1. **ORAL SKILLS**
2. **Read the poem below and then answer questions that follow.**

Listen-listen –

Listen to the palpable rhythm

Of the periodic pestle,

Plunging in proud perfection

Into the cardial cavity

Of maternal mortar

At each succeeding stroke

The grain darts, glad to be scattered

By the hard glint

Of the pestle’s passion.

1. Give two examples of alliteration in the poem. (2 marks)

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1. Explain how you would say line 8 of the poem if you were to recite it. (1 mark)

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1. If one reads the poem in stead of reciting, what paralinguistic features would be lost?

(2 marks)

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1. Write a word you pronounce in the same way as each of the following. (3 marks)
2. Team ………………………………………………………
3. Sweet ………………………………………………………
4. Review …………………………………………………..
5. You have attended a seminar whose theme is: “youth mentorship”. Mention **four** reasons you should listen to all the speakers. (4 marks)

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d) In a few hours time you are presenting your speech before a big crowd.. How are you going to deal with fear and panic? (4 marks)

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e) **Read the item below and then answer questions that follow.**

*Why did the bee get married? Because he found his honey.*

1. Classify this genre. (1 mark)

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1. Give the main feature of the item. (1 mark)

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1. Mention two functions of the item. (2 marks)

f) Underline the silent letter in each. (4 marks)

1. Debut
2. Parliament
3. Circuit
4. Apropos

(g) You are about to make your class teacher a phone call. Write down four tips you would display during the conversation. (4 marks)

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