



BRIDGE MERIT

NATIONAL SERIES

006

STANDARD EIGHT - 2016

TIME: 1Hour 40Min

ENGLISH

READ THESE INSTRUCTIONS CAREFULLY

1. You have been given this question booklet and a separate answer sheet. The question booklet contains 90 questions
2. Do any necessary rough work in this booklet.
3. When you have chosen your answer mark it on the **ANSWER SHEET**, not in the question paper.

HOW TO USE THE ANSWER SHEET

4. Use an ordinary pencil only.
5. Make sure that you have written on the answer sheet:-
YOUR INDEX NUMBER
YOUR NAME
NAME OF YOUR SCHOOL
6. By drawing a **dark** line inside the correct numbered boxes mark your full Index Number (i.e.) School Code Number and the three - figure Candidates Number) in the grid near the top of (the answer sheet.
7. Do not make any marks outside the boxes.
8. Keep your answer sheet as clean as possible and **DO NOT FOLD IT**.
9. For each of the questions 1- 90 four answers are given. The answers are lettered A,B,C, D. In each case only **ONE** of the four answers is correct. Choose the correct answer.
10. On the answer sheet show the correct answer by drawing a **dark line** inside the box in which the letter you have chosen is written.

Example

In the Question Booklet:

17. When I opened the envelope, I _____ the letter inside it.

- A. Tear
- B. Tore
- C. Torn
- D. Tearing

The correct answer is B.

On the Answer Sheet:

15.

[A] [B] [C] [D] **16.** [A] [B] [C] [D] **17.** [A] ~~[B]~~ [C] [D] **18.** [A] [B] [C] [D]

In the set of boxes number 38, the box with letter B printed in it is marked.

11. Your dark line **MUST BE** within the box.

12. For each question **ONLY ONE** box is to be marked in each set of four boxes.

Candidates should check the question paper to ensure that all the pages are printed

TURN OVER

Read the passage below. It contains blank spaces numbered 1-15. For each blank space, choose the best answer from the choices given.

There are quite a number of people who declare their ___ 1 ___ to vie for seats ___ 2 ___ general elections. That is as it ___ 3 ___ be, for every Kenyan has a democratic right to vote and to be voted for ___ 4 ___ there is a very important issue that must be addressed.

___ 5 ___ the people who want to lead the country into realizing vision 2030 are people ___ 6 ___ have been in the political scene since the pre - independence days. ___ 7 ___ are the people who used to tell young Kenyans ___ 8 ___ after independence that they should take their studies seriously because they were the leaders of tomorrow. The same people are still leaders of today. Some of them have been in parliament since time ___ 9 ___ . Others are in ___ 10 ___ senate today and they want to be in the next senate.

Kenyans need visionary people who are going to take them to the next level. They need men and women who are in step, in tune or 11 but in touch with the current reality, aware of the political, social and ___ 12 ___ trends that are turning the world ___ 13 ___ a global village. People who ___ 14 ___ more open and ___ 15 ___ to society. The younger generation and people who are passionate about these things should be given a chance to lead Kenya.

- | | A | B | C | D |
|-----|------------------------|--------------------|----------------------|-------------------------|
| 1. | intention | need | goal | purpose |
| 2. | for | an | in | at |
| 3. | must | can | could | should |
| 4. | moreover | however | therefore | moreso |
| 5. | among | between | besides | despite |
| 6. | whom | which | who | they |
| 7. | their | these | those | that |
| 8. | immediately | promptly | abtruptly | suddenly |
| 9. | in memorial | ago | before | immemorial |
| 10. | some | the | a | any |
| 11. | or | but | since | and |
| 12. | economic | economy | economical | economically |
| 13. | to | in | around | into |
| 14. | some | are | another | the |

26. From the first paragraph we can conclude that _____
- A. feeling or exhaustion after working up is very normal.
 - B. many people wake up feeling fresh and drug themselves all day.
 - C. many people wake up feeling tired.
 - D. if you wake up feeling fresh some coffee will make you feel better.
27. If one feels tired all the time the problem may be
- A. sickness
 - B. over eating
 - C. poor diet
 - D. overworking
28. The following are stimulants according to the passage **except**
- A. tea
 - B. cigarette
 - C. coffee
 - D. samosa
29. Why do stimulants leave you feeling worse after their consumption?
- A. Because they leave you in pain.
 - B. They do not fuel your body,
 - C. Because they just satisfy your hunger.
 - D. Because they stimulate you.
30. What does the passage say about snacks?
- A. They are too light to keep you going for long
 - B. They should not be taken because they are easily used up.
 - C. They are refined and are good because they fuel the body.
 - D. They are the same as meals made up of complex food groups.
31. Good fat as used in the passage refers to
- A. elianto
 - B. available fat
 - C. daily products
 - D. vegetable fat
32. How does the liver congestion make one fatigued?
- A. The liver is so overworked that it does not detoxify.
 - B. The live is so idle that it does not detoxify.
 - C. The liver moves very slowly therefore slackens all the work in the body.
 - D. The liver is mal -functional
33. For the sake of your liver, which of the following should you do?
- A. Eat enough snacks to keep the liver less overworked.
 - B. Stimulants help the liver function better.
 - C. Plenty of water plain or herbal teas are important
 - D. Dairy products e.g milk and yoghurt should be taken.
34. According to the passage, lentils and beans belong to
- A. carbohydrates
 - B. proteins
 - C. starch
 - D. both carbohydrates and proteins
35. For one to feel less fatigues they are advised to eat?
- A. Stimulants and snacks
 - B. Daily products
 - C. Carbohydrates
 - D. Plenty of fruits
36. The writer discourages from eating _____ for a good night sleep.
- A. daily products.
 - B. plenty of drinks.
 - C. good fat.
 - D. plenty of water.
37. After a good night's sleep. They're back to their usual **chirpy** selves. Which word means the same as the underlined according to the passage?
- A. Cheerless
 - B. Sad
 - C. Cheerful
 - D. Gloomy
38. The best title for the above passage is
- A. Healthy eating
 - B. The liver
 - C. Fatigue
 - D. Sleeplessness

Read the passage below and answer questions 39 - 50.

Once upon a time, the monkey and the fox were great friends. However the monkey was hardworking while the fox was very lazy . Often, the monkey would go out in search of food while the fox slept . The monkey was very generous and would share out the food with his friend. Since he had food in surplus, the monkey did not mind the fox's lazy habits)

After sometime, a drought occurred and there was no rain . The animals hardly had any food to eat . The two friends then decided to go out in search of food but to no avail . It took a very long time before the fox saw a beehive hanging from a tree . " Monkey my friend, please climb and check if that hive has some honey in it then we can help ourselves with some , " said the fox.

On climbing the tree, the monkey found some honeycombs in the hive and told the fox to keep them in a sack as he dropped them from the tree . The fox being very hungry after many days without food, decided to use his mouth to catch the honeycombs. However , as honeycombs fell into his mouth, he swallowed them than ~~keep~~ them in a sack . On completing his task, the monkey came down the tree and was shocked to see an empty sack. "Why is the sack empty?" He asked. The fox, who was in pain after overfeeding , could hardly speak. Groaning in pain , he pointed his stomach to show where food was.

39. It is true to say that the monkey and the fox
A. were once friends , B. always friends.
C. never friends. ~~D. great friend.~~
40. Which among the two animals went searching for food?
~~A. The monkey only.~~
B. The fox and the monkey.
C. The fox only.
D. None of the above.
41. The word surplus as used in the passage means
~~A. everywhere~~ B. scare
C. plentiful D. rare
42. Which of the following statements is not true?
A. During the drought animals were almost starving.
B. There was no rain during drought.
~~C. It took a short time for animals to find food~~
D. Efforts to search for food were futile.
43. According to the passage who first saw the honeycomb?
A. The farmer
B. The fox
~~C. The monkey~~
D. The monkey and fox
44. Why was the fox in pain ?
~~A. He was stung by bees.~~
B. He was tired after climbing the tree.
C. He had been digging the whole day.
~~D. He swallowed many honeycombs.~~
45. What caused the monkey's anger?
~~A. The fox had swallowed all the honeycombs~~
B. He had too much work.
C. His children were lost.
D. The bees had stung him.
46. They saw a _____ of bees in the forest.
A. troop ~~B. group~~
C. stings D. hive
47. The author could have used _____ instead of generous.
A. enjoying B. kind
~~C. complaining~~ D. starving
48. The word : "could hardly speak" means
A. could talk alot.
~~B. had never talked throughout his life.~~
C. could barely speak.
D. was dumb.
49. From the story we can say that
A. fox remained a very faithful friend.
~~B. the relationship between monkey and fox become worse.~~
C. Fox was able to climb the tree.
D. Monkey was not affected by what fox did.
50. The best title for the story would be ?
~~A. The monkey and the deceitful fox.~~
B. Hunger among Turkanas.
C. The children of fox's children.
D. The naughty fox.