



Lined writing area consisting of approximately 30 horizontal dotted lines.

**B.ORAL SKILLS**

**(a) Read the poem below and answer the questions that follow. (8 marks)**

**FIRST SIGHT**

Lambs that learn to walk in snow  
When their bleating clouds the air  
Meet a vast unwelcome snow  
Nothing but a sunless glare  
Mainly stumbling to and fro  
All they find outside the fold  
Is a wretched width of cold.

**Phillip Larkin.**

a) Describe and explain the rhyme scheme of this poem (3mks)

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b) How would you say the last line of this poem? (2mks)

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c) Mention any three non verbal cues you would say if you were presenting this poem to your class (3mks)

d) For each of the following words, write another word pronounced in the same way(5mks)

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- f) i) bite \_\_\_\_\_
- g) ii) blew \_\_\_\_\_
- h) iii) cellar \_\_\_\_\_
- i) iv) groan \_\_\_\_\_
- j) v) hymn \_\_\_\_\_
- k) vi) lone \_\_\_\_\_
- l) vii) Queue \_\_\_\_\_
- m) viii) Some \_\_\_\_\_
- n) ix) wood \_\_\_\_\_
- o) x) aren't \_\_\_\_\_

p) Thomas was to attend an interview at a company in Nairobi. Being his first time in the city, he asked his friend John who lives in Nairobi for directions. It turned out that Thomas never reached his destination. Give possible reasons for this. (5mks)

f) Imagine you are a house prefect and there is a shortage of wardrobes in the cube. You are called to arbitrate the case, as a good negotiator what three aspects would you consider as you try to reach and agreement (3mks)

**Q6. The River and The Source:**

"I have always done my best to provide for you, my children. Of all the things I provide, the most important is education and so far I have been pleased with your efforts. However, I cannot force anyone to go to school, especially if such a person is a man, and Aoro here is obviously a man \_ it's his duty to provide for himself." The man in question hung his head in shame.

"Aoro, school is not necessary for a bright, strong fellow like you. School is only for those fools who still want to learn. Today I will give you food. Tomorrow you go out and earn it. I will also allow you to stay in this house for a place of your own." Mark stood up and left the room \_ his dumbfounded family staring after him. He had never troubled his head with vague theories about the supposed fragility of growing minds, and if he had he would have pointed out the fact that he had yet to father a fragile child. He woke up his son at dawn and ordered him out.

**Questions.**

1. Place this passage in its immediate context. (4mks)
2. Illustrate two aspect of Mark's character as shown in the passage. (4mks)
3. What is Elizabeth's reaction to the incident in the passage? What does it tell us about her character? (4mks)
4. "Of all things I provide, the most important is education." How true is this statement in relation to the novel? (4mks)
5. What is the effect of monologue used in the passage? (5mks)