# **KCPE 2005**

# **SCIENCE**

Time: 1 hour 40 minutes

#### READ THESE INSTRUCTIONS CAREFULLY

- 1. You have been given this question booklet and a separate answer sheet. The question booklet contains 50 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 this question booklet.

# 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 Candidate's Number) in the grid near the top of the answer sheet.
- 7. Do not make any marks outside the boxes.
- 8. Keep the sheet as clean as possible and do not fold it.
- For each of the questions 1-50 four answers are given. The answers are lettered A, B, C and 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 chosen is written.

## Example

### In the Question Booklet.

- 4. Some curative drugs are also called
  - A. painkillers
  - B. vaccines
  - C. stimulants
  - D. antibiotics.

The correct answer is D.

# On the answer sheet:

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In the set of boxes numbered 4, the box with the letter D 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.

This Question Paper consists of 6 printed pages and 2 blank pages.

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TURN OVER

- 1. Which one of the following sources of energy is renewable?
  - A. Kerosene.
  - B. Biogas from cowdung.
  - C. Coal.
  - D. Cooking gas from crude oil.
- 2. Which one of the following is the MAIN reason why the inside of a solar drier is painted black?
  - A. To prevent rusting.
  - B. To make it last longer.
  - C. To make it absorb heat.
  - D. To decorate it.
- 3. The image formed in a pinhole camera is
  - A. upright and smaller than the object
  - B. upside down and formed on the screen
  - C. upside down and same size as the object
  - D. upright and formed on the screen.
- 4. In a box guitar high sound can be produced without changing the tension of the strings by
  - A. plucking the strings hard
  - B. increasing the lengths of the strings
  - C. using thinner strings
  - D. increasing the size of the box.
- Below is an energy transformation: Chemical → electrical → heat → light.

In which one of the following does the energy transformation shown take place when used to produce light?

- A. Geothermal.
- B. Car battery.
- C. Electric bulb.
- D. Bicycle dynamo.
- 6. Flowers P, Q, R and S have the following characteristics:
  - P: Large and loosely held anthers
  - O: Presence of nectar
  - R: Strong scent
  - S: Light pollen grains.

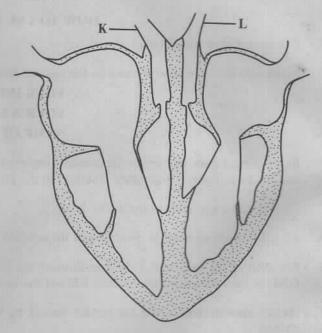
Which two flowers are wind pollinated?

- A. P and S.
- B. Q and R.
- C. P and R.
- D. Q and S.
- 7. A fish is able to move EASILY in water because it
  - A. has fins
  - B. has hard scales
  - C. is streamlined
  - D. has gills.

- **8.** Which one of the following plants stores food in the stem?
  - A. Carrot.
  - B. Irish potato.
  - C. Sweet potato.
  - D. Onion.
- A food chain in a grassland is shown below.
   Grass → Grasshoppers → Frogs → Snakes → Secretary birds.

Which one of the following would most likely happen immediately all snakes are killed?

- A. Frogs would decrease in number.
- B. Grasshoppers would increase in number.
- C. The amount of grass would increase.
- D. Secretary birds would decrease in number.
- The diagram below represents a section of a heart of a mammal.



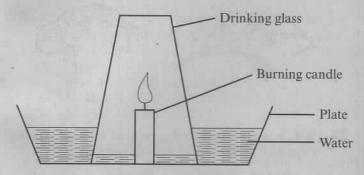
Which one of the following statements is TRUE?

- A. K carries blood into the heart whereas L takes it out.
- B. K has a thin wall whereas L has a thick wall.
- K carries deoxygenated blood whereas L carries oxygenated blood.
- D. K has valves whereas L has no valves.

- 11. The following are the activities which are carried out when comparing strengths of acids in fruit juices.
  - (i) Counting the number of drops of each fruit juice required to change the colour.
  - (ii) Adding the different fruit juices drop by drop in each of the bottle tops.
  - (iii) Adding equal amounts of indicator in each of the bottle tops.
  - (iv) Putting equal amounts of wood ash solution into different bottle tops.

Which one of the following is the **CORRECT** order of the activities?

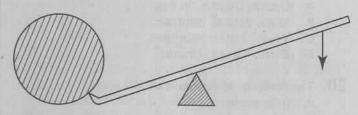
- A. (iv) (iii) (ii) (i).
- B. (iv) (ii) (iii) (i).
- C. (iii) (i) (iv) (ii).
- D. (ii) (iii) (i) (iv).
- 12. The diagram below represents a set up that can be used to demonstrate a certain property of air.



Which property of air is demonstrated by the set up?

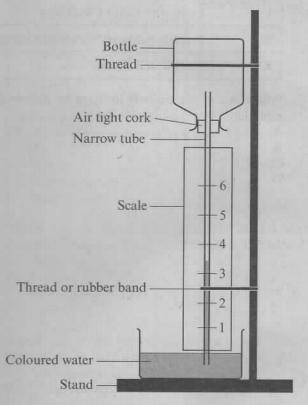
- A. Air exerts pressure in all directions.
- B. Air occupies space.
- C. Part of air is used in burning.
- D. Air expands when heated.
- 13. Which one of the following will pollute water ONLY?
  - A. Untreated sewage.
  - B. Used oil.
  - C. Farm chemicals.
  - D. Factory wastes.
- 14. The MAIN reason why the government conserves wildlife is to have
  - A. meat from wild animals
  - B. plant and animal products
  - C. a balance of nature
  - D. animals for export.
- 15. When an object is thrown up in the air it falls because it
  - A. is pulled by the earth
  - B. exerts pressure
  - C. is resisted by air
  - D. is as heavy as air.

**16.** The diagram below represents a simple machine in use.



The machine is an example of

- A. an inclined plane
- B. a wheel and axle
- C. a lever
- D. a pulley
- 17. The reason for using rollers when moving heavy objects on a floor is to
  - A. make objects lighter
  - B. avoid damaging the floor
  - C. increase speed of moving objects
  - D. reduce force that opposes movement.
- 18. The diagram below represents a weather instrument constructed by a group of pupils who made a mistake while constructing it.



The mistake made during the construction was

- A. closing the mouth of the bottle
- B. using little amount of coloured water
- C. having the container with coloured water open
- D. having the scale reading from the bottom.

- 19. Which of the following planets are in the second, fifth and eighth positions respectively from the Sun?
  - A. Uranus, Jupiter, Venus.
  - B. Mars, Saturn, Neptune.
  - C. Venus, Jupiter, Neptune.
  - D. Earth, Saturn, Uranus.
- 20. The function of plasma is to
  - A. fight germs
  - B. combine with oxygen
  - C. help in clotting of blood
  - D. transport food.
- **21.** Which pair of characteristics is common to lizard, toad, hawk and platypus?
  - A. Lay eggs, breathe by lungs.
  - B. Body temperature varies, breathe by lungs.
  - C. Have scales, lay eggs.
  - D. Body temperature varies, have scales.
- 22. The table below shows characteristics of four different fruits U, V, W and X.

Fruit	Characteristics	
U	Small and hairy	
V	Long with lines of weakness	
w	Brightly coloured with hard seed co	
X	Hollow and fibrous	

Which one of the fruits is likely to be dispersed by exploding?

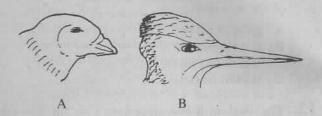
- A. U.
- B. V.
- C. W.
- D. X.

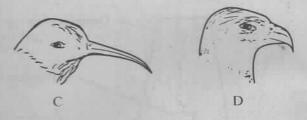
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23. The diagram below represents a foot of a certain bird.



Which one of the following diagrams of beaks belongs to the same bird?





24. Which one of the following parts of a flower is NOT CORRECTLY matched with its function?

	Part of a flower	Function
A.	Stigma	produces pollen
B.	Pollen grains	fertilize ovules
C.	Style	supports stigma
D.	Filament	supports anthers

- 25. A glass containing ice cubes was placed in the open.

  After some time the outer surface of the glass became wet. This shows that
  - A. air contains water vapour
  - B. ice melts to form water
  - C. air is a mixture of gases
  - D. air can be cooled.
- **26.** Which one of the following is **NOT** required when finding the density of a regular solid?
  - A. Spring balance.
  - B. Ruler.
  - C. Overflow can.
  - D. String.
- 27. Which one of the following statements about water is TRUE?
  - A. Water mixes with all liquids
  - B. Water has definite size
  - C. Water has definite shape
  - D. Water is a good conductor of heat.



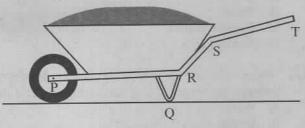
- 28. The BEST way of handling tin cans after using the contents is by
  - A. burying them deep in the soil
  - B. smelting and moulding them into other products
  - C. throwing them in the pit latrine
  - D. throwing them in the river.
- 29. Which one of the following pairs of levers has the position of load, fulcrum and effort as a forearm?
  - A. Fishing rod and pliers.
  - B. Spade and tongs.
  - C. Bottle top opener and nutcracker.
  - D. Scissors and claw hammer.
- **30.** Which one of the following statements about a windsock is TRUE? A windsock
  - A. measures speed of wind
  - B. shows direction wind is blowing from
  - C. shows strength of wind
  - D. works the same way as a windvane.
- 31. Which one of the following NEED NOT be the same when comparing capillarity in different types of soil?
  - A. Diameter of the tubes.
  - B. Amount of each type of soil.
  - C. Time allowed for the experiment.
  - D. Amount of water used.
- **32.** Which one of the following characteristics of sandy soil **DOES NOT** explain why water drains through it easily?
  - A. Rough texture.
  - B. Large particles.
  - C. Large air spaces.
  - D. Shiny particles.
- **33.** Which one of the following drugs has similar effects to *miraa* (khat) when abused?
  - A. Heroin.
  - B. Tobacco.
  - C. Mandrax.
  - D. Excessive alcohol.
- 34. Which one of the following correctly shows the path taken by urine from the kidneys?
  - A. Ureter → urethra → bladder.
  - B. Urethra → ureter → bladder.
  - C. Ureter → bladder → urethra.
  - D. Urethra → bladder → ureter.
- **35.** Which one of the following groups consists of only plants with fibrous roots?
  - A. Cowpeas, maize, wheat.
  - B. Rice, millet, maize.
  - C. Carrot, millet, wheat.
  - D. Cowpeas, rice, carrot.

- 36. The component of air used in making plant food is
  - A. 0.03%
  - B. 0.97%
  - C. 21%
  - D. 78%.
- **37.** Which one of the following lists consists of only drugs of abuse that are prohibited in Kenya?
  - A. Khat, tobacco, cocaine.
  - B. Cocaine, heroin, mandrax.
  - C. Bhang, beer, tobacco.
  - D. Cobblers' glue, khat, beer.
- **38.** Which two of the following processes involve loss of heat to the surroundings?
  - A. Melting and freezing.
  - B. Evaporation and condensation.
  - C. Freezing and condensation.
  - D. Melting and evaporation.
- 39. The leaf of a cactus plant
  - A. reduces water loss
  - B. makes plant food
  - C. stores water
  - D. allows gaseous exchange.
- **40.** Which one of the following **DOES NOT** affect floating and sinking of an object?
  - A. Size.
  - B. Shape.
  - C. Density.
  - D. Weight.
- 41. Which one of the following soil components is LEAST affected when soil in a container is heated?
  - A. Air.
  - B. Water.
  - C. Organic matter.
  - D. Mineral salts.
- **42.** Which one of the following insects **DOES NOT** undergo the stages of egg, larva, pupa and adult?
  - A. Wasp.
  - B. Locust.
  - C. Bee.
  - D. Moth.
- **43.** Which one of the following substances will form a salt and water only when mixed with an acid?
  - A. Ash solution.
  - B. Chalk powder.
  - C. Clover juice.
  - D. Magadi soda.
- 44. Which one of the following pairs of substances will give the same colour when mixed with flower extract?
  - A. Lemon juice and lime solution.
  - B. Aspirin solution and actal solution.
  - C. Lemon solution and aspirin solution.
  - D. Lime solution and actal solution.

- **45.** Sifting, picking and sieving are some methods of separating mixtures. Which one of the following mixtures can be separated by all the three methods?
  - A. Maize and beans.
  - B. Sand and rice.
  - C. Maize flour and small pieces of iron.
  - D. Sugar and tiny pieces of glass.
- **46.** Which one of the following is **NOT** a reason why drugs should be stored in their properly labelled container? To avoid
  - A. contamination
  - B. getting expired
  - C. getting spoiled
  - D. wrong usage.
- 47. Which one of the following materials is magnetic?
  - A. Aluminium plate.
  - B. Steel razor blade.
  - C. Silver coin.
  - D. Copper ring.
- **48.** The following are steps followed by pupils when making a certain tool.
  - (i) Flattening one end of a nail.
  - (ii) Fixing the flattened end into a piece of wood.
  - (iii) Cutting off the head of the nail.
  - (iv) Flattening and sharpening the exposed nail.

The tool is a

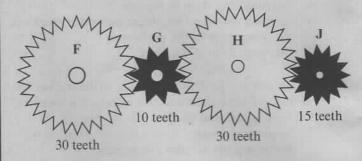
- A. hammer
- B. chisel
- C. drill
- D. saw
- 49. The diagram below represents a loaded wheelbarrow.



The effort needed to push the wheelbarrow can be reduced by increasing the length of the part between

- A. P and R
- B. Q and R
- C. R and S
- D. S and T.

**50.** The diagram below represents an arrangement of gear wheels.



When wheel H is rotated once in a clockwise direction,

- A. wheel G rotates three times anticlockwise and J twice anticlockwise
- B. wheel G rotates three times anticlockwise and J twice clockwise
- C. wheel F rotates once clockwise and G three times clockwise
- D. wheel F rotates once anticlockwise and J twice anticlockwise.

