# THE UNITED REPUBLIC OF TANZANIA NATIONAL EXAMINATION COUNCIL OF TANZANIA GRADE A TEACHERS' CERTIFICATE EXAMINATION

691 ENGLISH LANGUAGE LEARNING ACTIVITIES

Time: 3 Hours. Year: 2007

### **Instructions**

- 1. This paper consists of sections A, B and C.
- 2. Answer all questions in sections A and two (2) questions from each sections B and C.
- 3. Mobile phones and unauthorized materials are **not allowed** in the examination room.
- 4. Write your **Examination Number** on every page of your answer **booklet(s)**.



#### **SECTION A (40 Marks)**

#### Answer all questions from this section.

- 1. Identify four reasons why some children learn to write in English faster than they learn to speak it.
- 2. Explain four signs that a child understands an English lesson even if they do not speak during the lesson.
- 3. Describe four ways a teacher can adapt a lesson when half the class already knows the content and the other half does not.
- 4. Suggest four situations where rote learning might still be useful in English teaching.
- 5. Give four reasons why a teacher might choose to teach vocabulary in categories rather than as random words.
- 6. Identify four dangers of focusing only on correct pronunciation at the expense of fluency.
- 7. Explain four ways in which children's mistakes in English can be valuable for the teacher.
- 8. Describe four challenges a teacher might face when assessing a child's storytelling ability in English.
- 9. Suggest four ways of making children think critically about the words they use in English sentences.
- 10. Identify four advantages of letting children read silently before reading aloud.

## **SECTION B (30 Marks)**

# Answer any two questions from this section

- 11. Discuss five strategies for teaching English writing to children who cannot yet write in their mother tongue.
- 12. Evaluate five methods of teaching English vocabulary that also develop other skills such as thinking or cooperation.
- 13. Analyse five ways of using mistakes as a teaching tool without discouraging children.

# **SECTION C (30 Marks)**

Answer any two questions from this section

14. Examine five ways to teach children to infer meaning of new words from context.

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15. Suggest five benefits of letting children choose the topics for English speaking activities.

16. Explain five ways a teacher can integrate English learning into daily classroom routines.