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# **ZANZIBAR EXAMINATIONS COUNCIL**

## FORM ONE ENTRANCE EXAMINATION

132 ENGLISH

TIME: 2.00 HOURS TUESDAY 28<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER, 2019 A.M

# **INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES**

- 1. This paper consists of FOUR (4) sections A, B, C and D.
- 2. Answer ALL questions in section A and B. Choose ONE (1) question from section C and ONE (1) question from section D.
- 3. Write your examination number on each page.
- 4. Write all answers in the space provided.
- 5. Use a blue or black pen in writing. 6. Cellular phones and unauthorized materials are not allowed in the examination room.

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# SECTION A: (20 Marks) COMPREHENSION

Velan was a carpenter. He was living in a village. His mother died a long time back. His aged father, Kuppan, lived with Velan. Kuppan was very weak. He could not even walk well. It was because Velan did not give him enough food. He had given his father a small earthen plate. Even a small quantity of rice in the plate appeared to be much. Velan was a bad man. He was a drunkard also. After taking drinks, he abused his father badly.

Velan had a son. His name was Muthu. Muthu was just ten years old. He was a very good boy. He loved his grandfather. He had great respect for his grandfather. He did not like his father's attitude and character, because his father was treating his grandfather cruelly.

One day Kuppan was eating his food out of earthen plate that his son had given to him. The earthen plate fell down. The plate broke into pieces. The food also fell on the floor. Velan was working at the other end of the room. He saw the broken plate. He was very angry with his father and used very harsh words to abuse him. The old man felt bad about what happened. He was sorry for his mistake. Velan's words wounded him very deeply.

Velan's son, Muthu, saw this. He did not like his father. His father was ill-treating his grandfather. He was afraid to speak against his father. He was sad about his grandfather. But he was not powerful to stand in support of his grandfather.

The next day, Muthu took some of his father's carpentry tools and a piece of wood. He worked with the tools to make a wooden plate. His father saw him working. "What are you making, Muthu?" he asked. "I am making a wooden plate!" replied Muthu. "A wooden plate! What for?" asked his father. "I am making it for you, father. When you grow old, like my grandfather, you will need a plate for food. A plate made from earth may break very easily. Then I may scold you severely. So, I want to give you a wooden plate. It may not break so easily." The carpenter was shocked to hear this. Only now he realized his mistake. His father was kind to Velan. He had looked after Velan very well. Now, he was old. Velan was treating his father severely.

Velan was very sad about his own behavior. He realized his mistakes. He then became a different person. From that day, Velan treated his father with great respect. He gave up drinking too. Velan learnt a lesson from his own son. You should honor your parents at all times. It is your duty. It brings you their blessings.

# Questions

1. Choose the correct answer	from the given a	alternatives and	l put its lette	r in the space
provided.				

i. Velan lived in a villag	ge with his
A. Parents.	, <u> </u>
B. Mother.	
C. Father.	
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D. Wife. <b>Answer: C. Father</b> Reason: The story says Velan's mother had died a long time back, and his aged father Kuppan lived with him.
<ul> <li>ii. Kuppan was very weak because</li> <li>A. He did not get enough food.</li> <li>B. He was very old.</li> <li>C. His son was a drunkard.</li> <li>D. Muthu treated him badly.</li> <li>Answer: A. He did not get enough food</li> <li>Reason: The passage says directly that Kuppan could not walk well because Velan did not give him enough food.</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>iii. Muthu was</li> <li>A. Kuppan's son.</li> <li>B. Kuppan's nephew.</li> <li>C. Kuppan's grandson.</li> <li>D. Kuppan's grand nephew.</li> <li>Answer: C. Kuppan's grandson</li> <li>Reason: The passage says Velan had a son named Muthu, making him Kuppan's grandson.</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>iv. Velan became very angry because</li> <li>A. His father broke the plate.</li> <li>B. His son loved his father.</li> <li>C. The food fell in the room.</li> <li>D. He was working in the room.</li> <li>Answer: A. His father broke the plate</li> <li>Reason: The passage explains that Velan saw the earthen plate broken and became very angry with his father.</li> </ul>
v. Muthu did not like his father because he was A. Very harsh to him. B. Very harsh to his father. C. A carpenter. D. Drunkard. Answer: B. Very harsh to his father Reason: Muthu respected his grandfather and did not like the way his father treated him cruelly.
vi. Velan was A. Muthu's grandfather. B. Kuppan's son. C. Muthu's son. D. Kuppan's grandfather. Answer: B. Kuppan's son Reason: The story makes clear that Kuppan is Velan's father.
vii. Kuppan was eating food in A. The wooden plate. B. The earthen plate. C. The wooden bowl.

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D. The plastic plate. <b>Answer: B. The earthen plate</b> Reason: Velan gave his father a small earthen plate to eat from.
viii. Kuppan used to treat Velan A. Kindly. B. Severely. C. Badly. D. Cruelly. Answer: A. Kindly Reason: The passage says Kuppan had looked after Velan very well when he was young.
ix. Velan's bad behavior was changed by A. His son. B. His father. C. His mother. D. His parents. Answer: A. His son Reason: When Muthu made a wooden plate, Velan realized his mistakes and changed.
x. Now, Velan treats his father A. Harshly. B. Kindly. C. Brutally. D. Severely.  Answer: B. Kindly  Reason: After realizing his mistake, Velan began treating his father with great respect.
2. Write True (T) if the statement is correct and False (F) if the statement is incorrect. Put your answer in the space provided.
i. Velan's job was to make furniture Answer: T Reason: Velan was a carpenter, and carpenters make furniture.
ii. Kuppan was so weak because he did not like food <b>Answer: F</b> Reason: Kuppan was weak because Velan did not give him enough food, not because he disliked food.
iii. According to the story Kuppan was a drunkard man Answer: F Reason: It was Velan who was a drunkard, not Kuppan.
iv. Muthu's age was above ten years  Answer: F  Reason: The passage clearly says Muthu was just ten years old, not above ten

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v. Muthu disliked his father's attitude <b>Answer: T</b> Reason: Muthu loved his grandfather and did not like his father's cruel attitude towards him.
vi. When the plate had broken, the food remained in it  Answer: F  Reason: The passage says the plate broke into pieces and the food also fell on the floor.
vii. Muthu was ill treating his father Answer: F Reason: It was Velan who ill-treated his father; Muthu respected his grandfather and behaved kindly.
viii. The wooden plate was made by Muthu Answer: T Reason: Muthu used his father's carpentry tools and made a wooden plate.
ix. At the end, Velan realized his mistakes and changed his behavior  Answer: T  Reason: After seeing Muthu's action, Velan regretted and began treating his father with respect.
x. In order to be blessed we should honor our parents  Answer: T  Reason: The story concludes by saying it is our duty to honor parents and it brings blessings.
3. Mr. Hassan is a polite and friendly shopkeeper. Naima visited Mr. Hassan's shop. Complete the dialogue below between Naima and Mr. Hassan.
Naima: Good morning Mr. Hassan.
Mr. Hassan: Good morning Naima, how are you today?
Naima: I'm fine thank you. Do you have tomatoes and cheese?
Mr. Hassan: Yes, I have both tomatoes and cheese. How many kilograms of tomatoes do you want?
Naima: How much is one kilogram of tomatoes?
Mr. Hassan: One kilogram of tomatoes costs two thousand shillings.
Naima: Please, give me four kilograms of tomatoes.
Mr. Hassan: Sure, here are your four kilograms of tomatoes.
Naima: Excuse me! What is the price of cheese?

Mr. Hassan: You are most welcome Naima, have a nice day!

Mr. Hassan: Cheese costs five thousand shillings per packet.

Naima: I'm sorry; I don't have enough money for cheese.

Mr. Hassan: That is fine Naima, you can buy it another time.

Naima: Thank you Mr. Hassan bye bye!

# 4. Match the phrases from List A with those from List B to make meaningful sentences. Put your answer in the box below.

#### List A

- i. My mother prefers mangoes
- ii. My watch shows
- iii. The pedestrians should pass
- iv. A house is more expensive
- v. Excuse me!

#### List B

- a. it is half past eleven.
- b. may I have one orange please?
- c. to paw paws.
- d. across the zebra crossing.
- e. than a bus.

### **ANSWERS**

- i c
- ii a
- iii d
- iv e
- v b
- 5. Consider the family tree below and answer the questions that follow.
- i. Muhsin is Naima's Father (Muhsin and Asha are Naima's parents).
- ii. Ali is Naifat's Paternal Uncle (Ali is Hashim's brother; Hashim is Naifat's father).
- iii. Hashim is Rahma's Brother (Both are children of Muhsin and Asha).
- iv. Halila is Naima's Niece (Halila is the daughter of Rahma, who is Naima's sister).
- v. Asha is Zuwena's Paternal Grandmother (Asha is the mother of Hashim, who is Zuwena's father)
- 6. Study the picture of Mr. Haidhuru and make five (5) sentences to describe him in terms of his features and economic status.
- i. Mr. Haidhuru appears to be elderly and perhaps frail, as he is sitting outside his home.
- ii. His clothing looks simple and worn, consisting of a light shirt and trousers, suggesting a low economic status.
- iii. He is sitting on a low stool or a small pile of materials near his hut, indicating a lack of comfortable furnishings.
- iv. His shelter is a simple, dilapidated hut constructed from woven materials and sticks, which signifies poverty or very limited means.

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v. The surrounding environment, with sparse vegetation and rough construction, further suggests that Mr. Haidhuru belongs to a low-income or disadvantaged community.

# SECTION C: (20 Marks) TRANSLATION Choose one (1) question from this section

# 7. Rewrite the following paragraph in Kiswahili.

Once upon a time, there was a boy who used to steal chicken. One day he was caught stealing a big chicken from an old woman's hut. The woman lived by herself. The boy was badly beaten by the villagers before being taken to the police station. One of the policemen told the thief that, he was lucky that day and if he didn't change his behavior, he will be burnt alive. The boy said, "I know that but I can't stop immediately." In the past I used to steal one chicken a week. From tomorrow I will steal one chicken a month. Therefore, by the next year I will have stopped being a thief. The policemen were surprised to hear that statement.

#### Answer:

Hapo zamani za kale, palikuwa na mvulana aliyekuwa akiiba kuku. Siku moja alikamatwa akiiba kuku mkubwa kutoka kwenye kibanda cha mwanamke mzee. Mwanamke huyo aliishi peke yake. Mvulana alichapwa vibaya na wanakijiji kabla ya kupelekwa kituo cha polisi. Mmoja wa polisi alimwambia yule mwizi kwamba amepata bahati siku hiyo, na kama hatabadilika ataunguzwa moto akiwa hai. Mvulana akasema, "Najua hilo lakini siwezi kuacha mara moja." Zamani nilikuwa nikiiba kuku mmoja kwa wiki. Kuanzia kesho nitaiba kuku mmoja kwa mwezi. Kwa hiyo kufikia mwaka ujao nitakuwa nimeacha kabisa kuiba. Polisi walishangazwa sana na kauli hiyo.

# 8. Translate the following paragraph in English.

Katikakijijichetuwatuwengihufanyauharibifuwamazingira.

Baadhiyawatuhukatamitimingikwamatumizimbalimbali. Kitendohikikinasababishaukosefuwamvua. Mitindiochanzokikubwa cha mvua. Kukiwahakunamvuamitinawanyamahufariki.

Mvuapiahuwapatiawatumajiambayonimuhimukatikamaisha.

Mbalinakukatamitipiabaadhiyawatuhuchomamotomisitu. Unapoichomamisituunauwawadudu, wanyamanamimeambalimbali. Kuna

umuhimumkubwakwaSerikalikutoaelimuyamazingirakatikakijijichetu.

# Answer:

In our village many people destroy the environment. Some people cut down trees for different uses. This act causes lack of rainfall. Trees are the main source of rain. If there are no trees, animals die. Rain also provides people with water which is very important in life. In addition to cutting trees, some people burn down the forests. When you burn the forests, you kill insects, animals, and different plants. It is very important for the Government to provide environmental education in our village.

SECTION D: (20 Marks)
WRITING
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9. Imagine your class has visited Mikumi National Park to see different animals. Write a composition about one hundred and fifty (150) words about the journey.

#### Answer:

Last month, our class visited Mikumi National Park to see different animals. The journey started very early in the morning. We travelled by school bus, and everyone was excited and happy. Along the way, we sang songs and shared snacks until we arrived at the park at around ten o'clock.

When we entered the park, we saw many wild animals such as elephants, giraffes, lions, zebras, buffaloes, and antelopes. The tour guide explained to us about the behavior of each animal, their food, and how they live together in the wild. We were very amazed when we saw a group of elephants drinking water at the river and giraffes stretching their long necks to eat leaves from tall trees.

After some hours, we had lunch together in the park before continuing with the tour. In the evening we returned home safely. The journey was wonderful and very educational. I learned that protecting animals is important for our environment and for future generations.

10. Write a friendly letter to your teacher, asking for one week permission to go to Dar-es-Salaam for medical checking. (Use your examination number instead of your name).

Answer:

Candidate's Examination Number: P.O. Box 737373737 Zanzibar 4th October, 2025

Dear Teacher,

I hope this letter finds you in good health. I am writing to kindly request for one week permission to travel to Dar-es-Salaam for medical checking. My doctor has advised me to undergo further treatment that cannot be done here in Zanzibar.

I would like to leave on Monday, 6th October, 2025 and return on Sunday, 12th October, 2025. I assure you that after coming back, I will work hard to cover all the lessons that I will miss during my absence.

I kindly request your understanding and support. Thank you very much for your guidance and care.

Yours faithfully, Candidate's Examination Number:

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