



NERDS EXAMINATIONS BOARD

END OF TERM ONE EXAMINATIONS-2025

ENGLISH LANGUAGE

Time allowed: 2 hours 15minutes

Candidate's name:.....

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Read the following instructions carefully;

1. This paper has two sections: **A** and **B**.
Section **A** has 50 questions and section **B** has 5 questions.
2. Answer **all** questions. **All** the answers for both sections **A** and **B** must be shown in the spaces provided.
3. **All** working must be done using a **blue** or blackball point pen or ink. Any work done in pencil will **NOT** be marked except drawings and diagrams.
4. Unnecessary **changes** in your work and handwriting that cannot easily be read may lead to loss of marks.
5. Do not fill anything in the table indicated: "**For examiners' use only**" and the boxes inside the question paper.

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Qn. No.	MARKS	EXR'S No.
01-10		
11-20		
21-30		
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Section A: 50 Marks

Sub-Section I

Questions 1 – 5: Fill in the blank space with a suitable word.

1. The teacher spoke _____ as he explained the lesson.
2. My uncle is a farmer _____ rears cattle.
3. We always go to church _____ Sunday.
4. The girl was tired _____ sweeping the compound.
5. The bird flew _____ the tree.

Questions 6 – 15: Use the correct form of the word given in brackets to complete the sentence.

6. My younger brother is very _____. (active)
7. The school has a large number of _____. (attend)
8. The _____ of the story made us cry. (sad)
9. We should be _____ to our elders. (obey)
10. The girl is _____ than her sister. (tall)
11. The pupils are good at _____ English. (speak)
12. The man sells _____ in the market. (orange)
13. I enjoy _____ books in the library. (read)
14. The headmaster thanked the teachers for their _____.
(dedicate)
15. The baby slept _____. (peace)

Sub-Section II

Questions 16 and 17: Write the given short forms in full.

16. cm

17. can't

Questions 18 and 19: Arrange the given words in alphabetical order.

18. goat, sheep, cow, pig

19. shirt, trouser, sock, belt

Questions 20 and 21: Rewrite the sentence giving the opposite of the underlined word.

20. The bottle is full of water.

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21. The journey was short.

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Questions 22 and 23: Rearrange the given words to form correct sentences.

22. game football like they to play.

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23. you help can me please?

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Questions 24 and 25: Give the plural of the given word.

24. Lady.....

25. Foot.....

Questions 26 – 28: Rewrite the sentence giving one word for the underlined group of words.

26. The man who flies an airplane is my uncle

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27. A building where we study is very big.

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28. My mother went to the market to buy meat from a cow.

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Questions 29 and 30: Use each of the given words in a sentence to show that you know the difference in their meanings.

29. no.....

30. know.....

Sub-Section III

Questions 31 – 50: Rewrite the sentences as instructed in brackets.

31. A car is faster than a bicycle. (Rewrite the sentence using '_____ as _____ as')

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32. My father bought a book. It was interesting. (Rewrite as one sentence using 'which')

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33. As soon as the sun rose, the birds began to sing. (Rewrite the sentence using 'no sooner _____ than _____')

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34. The pupils went to the field after they had cleaned the classroom.
(Rewrite the sentence using 'before')

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35. John prefers playing to reading. (Rewrite the sentence using 'than')

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36. It is our duty to protect our environment. (Rewrite the sentence
using 'responsible')

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37. The teacher was marking books. The pupils were sweeping the
classroom. (Rewrite as one sentence beginning: 'While _____')

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38. My sister will not eat rice. My sister will not eat posho. (Rewrite as
one sentence using 'neither _____ nor _____')

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39. The doctor asked the patient, "Are you feeling better today?"
(Rewrite the sentence ending: ' _____?' the doctor asked the
patient.)

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40. The carpenter used a hammer to hit the nail. (Rewrite the sentence
beginning: 'The carpenter hit _____')

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41. The teacher did not give us homework. (Rewrite the sentence ending: '_____ by the teacher.')
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42. I last saw my friend three years ago. (Rewrite the sentence beginning: 'It is _____')
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43. The box was very heavy. I could not lift it. (Rewrite as one sentence using 'too _____ to _____')
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44. The man is very poor. He has many children. (Rewrite as one sentence beginning: 'Although _____')
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45. My mother paid eight thousand shillings for a kilo of sugar. (Rewrite the sentence using 'spent')
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46. The girl studied hard so that she could pass the exams. (Rewrite the sentence beginning: 'In order to _____')
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47. You must wear a mask or you will not enter the shop. (Rewrite the sentence beginning: 'If _____')
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48. Mary received a gift from her uncle, didn't she? (Rewrite the sentence ending: '_____, did she?')

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49. A book can give us information and so can a radio. (Rewrite the sentence beginning: 'Both _____')

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50. The woman who is cooking food is our neighbor. (Rewrite the sentence ending: '_____ to us.')

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Section B: 50 Marks

51. Read the passage below and then answer, in full sentences, the questions that follow.

Long ago, hare and tortoise were great friends. They used to do many things together. One day, hare challenged tortoise to a race. Tortoise was surprised because he knew that hare was very fast. On the day of the race, all the animals gathered to witness. Hare was very confident that he would win. When the race started, hare ran very fast and left tortoise far behind. He was so sure of winning that he decided to rest along the way. Meanwhile, tortoise continued moving slowly but steadily. When hare woke up from his rest, he ran as fast as he could, but it was too late. Tortoise had already reached the finishing line and won the race. Hare was very ashamed.

a) Who were great friends long ago?

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b) What did hare challenge tortoise to?

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c) Why was tortoise surprised?

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d) Who was confident of winning the race?

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e) What did hare do along the way?

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f) How did tortoise move?

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g) What happened when hare woke up?

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h) Who won the race?

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i) How did hare feel at the end of the race?

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j) Suggest a suitable title to the passage.

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52. Read the poem below and then answer, in full sentences, the questions that follow.

My School

My school is the best, I say,
Where I learn and also play.
Teachers teach us every day,
Guiding us along the way.
We read books and write with care,
Making knowledge everywhere.
Friends we make and share a smile,
Learning things that are worthwhile.
My school, my school, I love you so,
Growing smarter as I go.

- a) What does the speaker say about their school?
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- b) What do teachers do every day?
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- c) What activities do they do in school?
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- d) What do they make everywhere?
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- e) What do they share with friends?
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- f) What kind of things are they learning?
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- g) How does the speaker feel about their school?
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- h) What happens as the speaker goes to school?
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 - i) How many times is the word "school" mentioned in the poem?
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 - j) Suggest another suitable title for the poem.
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54. The table below shows the performance of pupils in different subjects in a school. Study it carefully and answer the questions that follow.

Subject	No. of pupils	Passed	Failed
ENGLISH	50	45	5
MATHEMATICS	50	40	10
SCIENCE	50	48	2
SOCIAL STUDIES	50	42	8

a) How many pupils are in P.7?

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b) Which subject had the highest pass rate?

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c) How many pupils failed Maths?

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d) How many pupils passed SST?

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e) In which subject did the least number of pupils fail?

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f) Give two causes of poor performance in schools.

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g) Give two ways through which academic performance can be improved

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h) Work out the pass rate in percentage for mathematics.

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55. You went to Riziki shop on 15th/03/2025 at 9:15am with a 50,000 note and bought the following items:

2kg of sugar at 4,000/= per kg, 3 loaves of bread at 3,000/= each, and 1 bar of soap at 2,500/=. Write a receipt for the transaction.

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