



MBALE CITY EXAMINATIONS BOARD

PRIMARY LEAVING MOCK EXAMINATION

2025

ENGLISH

Time Allowed: 2 Hours 15 Minutes

RANDOM NO.						PERSONAL NO.		

Candidate's Name:

Candidate's Signature:

School Name:

READ THE FOLLOWING INSTRUCTIONS CAREFULLY:

1. Do not write your **school** or **name** anywhere on this paper
2. This paper has two sections: **A** and **B**.
Section **A** has **50** questions and Section **B** has **5** questions. The paper has **15 printed pages**.
3. Answer **all** questions. **All** answers to both sections **A** and **B** must be written in the spaces provided.
4. All answers **must** be written using a **blue** or **black** ball point pen or ink. any work written in pencil will **not** be marked.
5. Unnecessary **changes** in your work and handwriting that cannot be read easily may lead to **loss of marks**.
6. Do not fill anything in the table indicated: **"FOR EXAMINER'S USE ONLY"** and boxes inside the question paper.

FOR EXAMINERS' USE ONLY		
QN No.	MARKS	EXR'S NO.
1 - 10		
11 - 20		
21 - 30		
31 - 40		
41 - 50		
51		
52		
53		
54		
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TOTAL		

Turn over

SECTION A: 50 MARKS

Questions 1 to 50 carry one mark each.

Sub - Section I

In each of the questions 1 to 5, fill the blank space with a suitable word.

1. We travelled a bus as we went on tour during the holiday.
2. All the news about the World Gamesbeen read today.
3. Simama is such..... honest girl that everybody trusts her.
4. The sun in the east and sets in the west.
5. The tailor will hurt his thumb if he doesn't put on his

In each of the questions 6 to 15, use the correct form of the word given in brackets to complete the sentence.

6. Sultan is not a Somali but a (Sudan)
7. The cyclist rode so that he lost control of his bicycle.
(care)
8. Kuloba the word "slave" wrongly last term. (spell)
9. We look forward to PLE in November. (sit)
10. The president wrote a letter to the head teacher only
last term. (one) 
11. The teacher asked us if weremedial classes the previous
day. (attend)
12. Our grandmother arrivedthan we expected. (early)
13. The opposers raised very strong during the debate.
(argue)
14. goods are a source of bad luck. (steal)
15. Did you talk tofather about school fees? (he)

In each of the questions 16 and 17, arrange the given words in alphabetical order.

16. friend, church, shame, dust

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17. board, beard, broad, bless

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In each of the questions 18 and 19, use each of the given words in a sentence to show that you know the difference in their meaning.

18. nead

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19. knead

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In each of the questions 20 to 22, rewrite the sentence giving one word for the underlined group of words.

20. In spite of being an orphan, Mwambu paid school fees in time.

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21. The customer looked at the list showing available dishes before he placed his order.

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22. Children should be taught about their right to do anything without anyone stopping them.

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In each of the questions 23 and 24, write the short form of the given full form.

23. afternoon

24. Animal Behaviour Society.....

In each of the questions 25 and 26, rewrite the sentence giving the opposite of the underlined word.

25. The children cleaned the compound in the morning.

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26. My uncle always encourages me to work hard.

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In each of the questions 27 and 28, write the plural form of the given word.

27. the studio

28. bakery

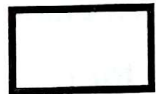
In each of the questions 29 and 30, rearrange the given words to form a correct sentence.

29. to likely am you a send gift I.

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30. my is footballer What brother skilful a!

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Sub-Section II

In each of the questions 31 to 50, rewrite the sentence as instructed in brackets.

31. The man's bicycle has been repaired. He is our cook.

(Rewrite as one sentence using:whose.....)

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32. Children like watching cartoons but not listening to music.

(Rewrite the sentence using:more interested)

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33. If the boy had written neatly, he wouldn't have lost marks.

(Rewrite as two separate sentences.)

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34. Kamuntu, as well as his wife, will visit us tonight.

(Rewrite the sentence beginning: Both)

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35. I am a hard -working learner, _____?

(Rewrite the sentence adding a suitable question tag.)

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36. Revise your notes or else you will perform poorly.

(Rewrite the sentence using: unless.....)

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37. "Can I borrow your DVD, Jessica? " asked the old man.

(Rewrite the sentence using: asked Jessica.....)

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38. Someone has broken my ruler.

(Rewrite the sentence beginning: My ruler)

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39. The bus reached Entebbe at exactly 4:00p.m.

(Rewrite the sentence using: arrived)

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40. It is a long way from the school to the hospital.

(Rewrite the sentence beginning: Is it)

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41. Juma works on UBC TV. Mary works on UBC TV.

(Rewrite as one sentence using: and so.....)

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42. Our father wants to watch the news. He comes back home early.

(Rewrite as one sentence using: so that)

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43. Do you have the right amount of firewood? Will it help you to boil the water?

(Rewrite as one sentence using: enough)

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44. The carpenter smoothed the table. The carpenter also varnished the table.

(Rewrite as one sentence beginning: Besides)

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45. It is not necessary for us to mistreat animals.

(Rewrite the sentence using: need not)

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46. When you behave very well, you get a lot of friends.

(Rewrite the sentence beginning: The..... the,)

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47. Joseline has not cleaned the compound. I have not cleaned the compound.

(Rewrite as one sentence beginning: Neither nor)

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48. To respect elders is good manners.

(Rewrite the sentence beginning: It is)

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49. Immediately I arrived at school, it started raining.

(Rewrite the sentence using: barely)

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50. There are three light boxes. The green one is very light.

(Rewrite as one sentence beginning: The green)

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SECTION B : 50 MARKS

Questions 51 to 55 carry ten marks each.

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

The Primary Leaving Examination results are finally out. This was the headline in the two o'clock news in Kiswahili on Radio Bugisu. The good news was read by the usual Wednesday presenter Miss Nasike.

She said that the results had been released by the Minister of National Examinations, Hon. Euku Nomo. In his speech, he thanked the candidates for the wonderful performance in Maths. It was the best done of the four subjects. He advised the teachers of English to find better methods of revision in the new year.

The parents were told to collect the results from the schools the following day. Finally, he wished the candidates success as they joined senior one the next year 2024.

Kakumu, the son to Mr. and Mrs. Kato was among the best candidates. He had scored aggregate four. The family was full of joy, their son's name appeared in the weekly paper of the success. The editor of the paper promised to pay the young man's school fees for four years.

As a way of thanking Kakumu, Mr. Kato took him to Kimere Restaurant for lunch. This was after they had picked the results. Kakumu felt great. When they reached the reception, a young waitress gave him a ripe banana free of charge. Then she showed him where to sit. He picked the menu and ordered chicken and chips.

It was a wonderful time. Kakumu ate the delicious food, he also took a two litre bottle of Coca-Cola. He could not finish it, he took some of it at home.

Questions:

(a) Where was the news about the Primary Leaving Examination results broadcast?

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(b) According to the passage, who released the results?

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(c) What did Hon. Euku Nomo tell the teachers of English?

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(d) On which day of the week did the parents receive the results?

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(e) For which year were these results?

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(f) How is the editor of the paper likely to appreciate Kakumu?

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(g) What happened after Kakumu had picked his results?

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(h) Give a word or a group of words to mean the same as each of the underlined ones in the passage:

(i) full of joy

(ii) ordered

(i) Suggest a suitable title to the passage.

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52. The sentences below are in a wrong order. Rearrange them correctly to make a meaningful composition.

- (a) The two people trust Musiime very much.
- (b) He is very careful when it comes to shopping.
- (c) When Musiime takes the items home after shopping, no one complains.
- (d) He lives with his mother and his sister.
- (e) The process makes the work of the shopkeeper easy.
- (f) This is because of one reason.
- (g) The list has all the items he wants to buy.
- (h) Every time he goes shopping, he makes a shopping list.
- (i) He also puts the prices of each item.
- (j) Musiime is a young boy in Bantu Village.

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

It is your responsibility
You child in our community
To be hard- working and respectful
This brings a smile
On the faces of your father and mother.

Respect your parents and elders
For they have taken care of you
From childhood up to where you are
Protecting you against other evil people
Who don't wish you a lovely future.

Have a special time for your teachers
Who spare time to give you knowledge
That will make you a great person
In the time after now
And you will shine as a beautiful star.

My fellow primary school children
Love your country and people
Keep law and order
Be a friend to all
Report all criminals for discipline.

Wandebea Pius

Questions

(a) What is the responsibility of the child in the poem?

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(b) How can you make your father smile according to the poem?

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(c) Why do you think children should respect their parents?

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(d) How does the teacher's knowledge help a child?

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(e) Mention **one** way you can show love to your country according to the poem.

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(f) How many verses are in the poem?

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(g) Who is talking in the poem?

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(h) Write another word or a group of words to mean the same as the underlined ones in the poem.

- i) father and mother
- ii) criminals

(i) Suggest a suitable title to the poem.



54. The message below was found in the primary six classroom at Bungokho Junior School. Study it and use it to answer the questions that follow in full sentences.

Pancakes! Pancakes! Pancakes!

The only ones at a lower price. Made from special ingredients from Nsamba Sub-county. Prepared by the youngest bakers you know. The young men and women who understand recipes, as they bake with care.

Where: Bagezi Young Bakers corner, Mugaati Street.

When: Open from Monday to Sunday .

Time : 7:00a.m.- 6:00p.m. daily

Prices: Friendly to the young and the old.

So? Come with a friend and enjoy three big pancakes free of charge.

Mrs. Rose Nafuna

Manager

5/2/2025

Questions

(a) In which school was the information above found?

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(b) What is the information about?

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(c) Why are these items special?

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(d) Where are the ingredients bought?

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(e) What shows that the bakers understood the recipes?

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(f) On which day doesn't the bakery operate?

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(g) For how long is the bakery open each day?

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(h) Why do you think everyone can buy these pancakes?

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(i) Who put up the above information?

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(j) In which month of the year was the message written?

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55. Imagine you are Sumayah, a pupil at Nyondo Primary School, PO BOX 21, Mbale. You forgot to wash the utensils that your mother gave to you, you were doing homework with a friend. Write a letter to her and explain what happened, promise that you will not do such a thing again. Request her to accept your apology. Use your school address.

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