



ORION EXAMINATIONS BOARD

PRIMARY LEAVING EXAMINATIONS 2025

STANDARD EXMINATION SET-9-2025

ENGLISH
Time Allowed: 2 Hours : 15 Minutes

Random No.						Personal No.		

CANDIDATE'S NAME:

CANDIDATE'S SIGNATURE:.....

DISTRICT NAME:.....

Read the following instructions carefully:

1.This paper has **two** sections: **A** and **B**.
2.Section **A** has **50** questions (**50 Marks**)

3.Section **B** has **5** questions (**50 marks**)

4.Answer **all** questions. All answers to both sections **A** and **B** **must** be written in the spaces provided.

5.**All** answers must be written using a **blue** or **black ball** point **pen** or **ink**. Diagrams should be drawn in a pencil.

6. **Unnecessary** changes in your work may lead to **loss** of marks.

7. Any handwriting that **cannot** be easily read may lead to **loss** of marks.

8. **Do not** fill anything in the table indicated: "**FOR EXAMINERS' USE ONLY**" and boxes inside the question paper.

ONLY		
Qn. No	MARKS	EXR'S No.
1 – 10		
11 – 20		
21 – 30		
31 – 40		
41 – 43		
44 – 46		
47 – 49		
50 – 52		
53 – 55		
TOTAL		

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SECTION:A 40 marks

SUB-SECTION I

In each of the questions **1-5**, fill in the blank spaces with the **most suitable word**.

1. The farmer crops have been destroyed has just gone to police.
2. We look to passing our examinations highly.
3. The is presiding over the debate.
4. Okoboi nor Oboth was innocent according to the judge.
5. Fresh Kid has a very good song.

In questions **6-15**, use the correct form of the words given in the brackets to fill in the **blank spaces**.

6. Gabbie walked to her home last evening.(careless)
- 7.The of soil involves water,air,humus and other.(compose)
- 8.While Myrrh was her room, Amelia was busy sleeping.(tidy)
9. Of the two girls, Abba is the.....(industrious)
- 10.The suits we made us look smart on the party.(wear)
- 11.Through hard work, Kalama turned into a rich driver.(him)
12. All the killers were sentenced to yesterday.(die)
13. Having got the sand paper, I the wall.(smooth)
- 14.Most people in Uganda travel by.....to different destinations.(taxi)
15. Babalanda sang during the Leavers' party.(cheer)

In questions **16 to 17**, use the words in sentences to **show** that you know the **difference** in their meaning.

16. heir:.....
17. hair:.....

In each of the question **18** and **19**, arrange the given words on **alphabetical order**.

18. Gideon, Geoffrey, Gilbert, Godfrey

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19. Patel, Patricia, Paison, Patrick

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For questions **20-22**, re-write the given sentences giving the **plural form** of the underlined words.

20. The prisoner of war was set free by the magistrate.

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21. None of us knew the meaning of the word medium.

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22. The tailor has not yet taken our full measurement for the uniform.

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In each of the questions **23 - 24**, write the **full form** of the given abbreviations.

23. CID:

24. a.m.

In each of the questions **25-26**, give the **opposite** of the given words.

25. We were given the entrance at the Parliament of Uganda.



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26. Disciplined pupils are always liked by their teachers.

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In each of the questions **27-28**, rewrite the sentences **giving one word** for the underlined group of words.

27. We saw a long line of people withdrawing money from the Bank on Monday.

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27. Most people who sale goods along the roads in Kampala have been arrested.

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In questions **29 - 30**, re-arrange the given words to form a correct sentence.

29. child to has a Every education right.

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30. your abused Why you friend have ?

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SUB-SECTION II

In each of the questions **31-50**, rewrite the sentences as **instructed in brackets.**

31. She went to police. She wanted to report the cyber attack.

(Re-write the sentence beginning: In order)

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32. It wasn't good for Oloto to sit at the back of the animals.

(Re-write as one sentence using: needn't)

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33. "Have you received your pocket money?" asked the head teacher.

(Re-write the sentence beginning: The head teacher)

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34. The holiday was very short. I could not visit my aunt in Nakasongola.

(Re-write the sentence using: too to)

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35. You should respect your friend while in public.

(Re-write the sentence beginning: Never)

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36. I went back home and played volleyball.

(Re-write the sentence beginning: Having)

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37. Salim Saleh has a very good handwriting, hasn't he ?

(Re-write the sentence ending:has he ?

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38. The little boy is sad. His toy car has been stolen.

(Re-write as one sentence using: whose)

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39. Lucky Dube was a famous musician by he was shot dead by a local person.

(Re-write the sentence beginning: Much as)

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40. Having sex at an early stage can lead to unwanted pregnancies.

(Re-write the sentence using: likely to)

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41. I didn't buy him a watch because I didn't have enough money.

(Re-write the sentence beginning: Had I)

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42. It is not far from Kampala to Nsangi.

(Re-write the sentence using: a long way)

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43. I am absolutely sure I will pass my exams this year.

(Re-write the sentence using: pretty)

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44. A nuclear family consists of father, mother and their biological children.

(Re-write the sentence using: comprises)

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45. Ofede makes nice furniture.(Rewrite ending: by Ofede.)

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46. They watched prayers on screen. They watched prayers on phone.

(Re-write the sentence beginning: Not only)

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47. Animals need peace. Birds need peace.



(Re-write the sentence using: and so)

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48. Lutamaguzi likes fighting than making peace with friends.

(Re-write the sentence using: interested in)

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49. Mayombo will buy rabbits. Mayombo will buy sheep.

(Re-write the sentence using: either or)

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50. Judith prayed before going to bed.

(Re-write the sentence using: after)

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SECTION B: 50 MARKS

Questions **51** to **55** carry **ten** marks each.

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

Kaliisa was tired of watching his favourite programmes from his neighbour's home. He decided to buy a TV set for his home with the money he had **got** through his own hard work. He therefore visited The Cranes Electronics and found all types of TV sets on display. He admired all the types and in the end, he chose one. "How much power is needed to make this TV set active?" he asked the seller. "eighteen volts," the seller replied.

Kaliisa had some knowledge about electricity so, he knew what the seller meant by eighteen volts. He immediately paid the money which was on the price tag. It was three hundred ten thousand Uganda shillings. He was given a receipt. On his way back home, he stopped at Ms. Ikilai's shop and bought five pairs of dry cells equivalent to eighteen volts.

When he reached how, he got the TV and checked behind it unfortunately he could not see where to put the dry cells so, he decided to take the TV set back to the seller complaining that he was cheated. On his way back to the shop, he met his friend, Rapha. He told him how had been cheated. At first, Rapha laughed but later discovered that his friend did not know how a TV set works. Rapha told him that most TVs have no provision for dry cells and that he needed a strong battery. Kaliisa **went back** home when ashamed.

QUESTIONS:



- (a) What did Kaliisa want to buy ?

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(b) What was Kaliisa tired of ?

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(c) How did Kaliisa obtain the money ?

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(d) How much did Kaliisa buy the TV set ?

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(e) What was Kaliisa given after paying for the TV set ?

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(f) Why did he stop at Ms. Ikilai's shop ?

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(g) Whom did Kaliisa meet as he returned to the shop ?

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(h) Give another word or group of words with the same meaning as each of the underlined words in the passage.

(i) got:

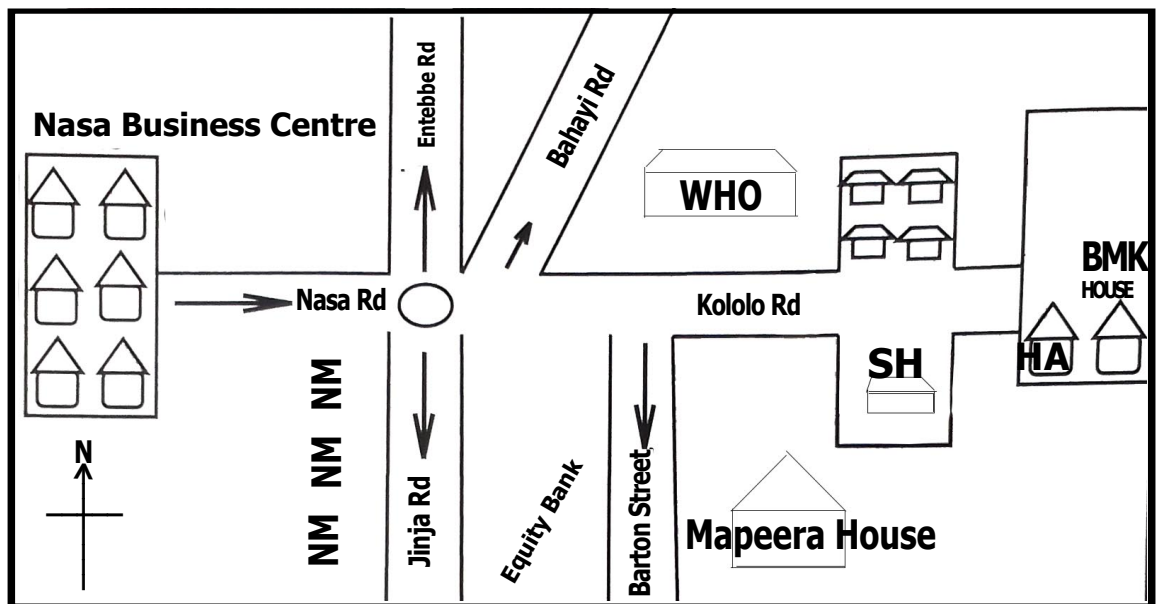
(ii) went back:

(i) Suggest a suitable title to the passage above.

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52. Study the map about Erina's journey to Kampala City of her shopping at Nakasero Market. Use it carefully to answer the questions that follow in full sentences.



KEY:

SH - Sheraton Hotel

NM - Nakasero Market

WHO - World Health Organization

HA - Hotel Afrikana



QUESTIONS:

- (a) Whose journey is shown on the map above ?

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- (b) Where was Erina going ?

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- (c) Where does she usually shop items from ?

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- (d) In which direction is Nakasero Market ?

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(e) What does Erina cross before reaching Jinja Road ?

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(f) In which city do we find Nakasero Market ?

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(g) Which services are offered at the building between Jinja Road and Barton Street ?

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(h) On which road is Mapeera House located ?

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(i) Why do you think Erina often goes to Sheraton Hotel ?

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(j) Which feature is opposite Nakasero Nakasero ?

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53. The Notice below was pinned on the Notice Board of Nango Primary School on 20th Nov, 2024. Read it carefully and answer the questions that follow in full sentences.

INTER SCHOOL QUIZ COMPETITIONS

DATE: 27th Nov, 2024

SCHOOLS: All Village Schools

TIME: 11:00am. - 4:30p.m.

CHIEF GUEST: Ms. Jalia Mutesi - DIS

NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS PER SCHOOL: Five from each class(P.4,P.5,P.6 & P.7)

By the D.E.O
Mayuge District

QUESTIONS:

(a) What was the above notice about ?

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(b) When was the notice above pinned on the notice board ?

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(c) If you wanted to know more about this notice, where would you find it ?

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(d) Where were the quiz competitions conducted ?

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(e) How long did the quiz competitions take ?

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(f) How many participants in these competitions if there were six schools in the village ?

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(g) Where is Nango Primary School found ?

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(h) Who was the chief guest on these competitions ?

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(i) Who wrote the above notice ?

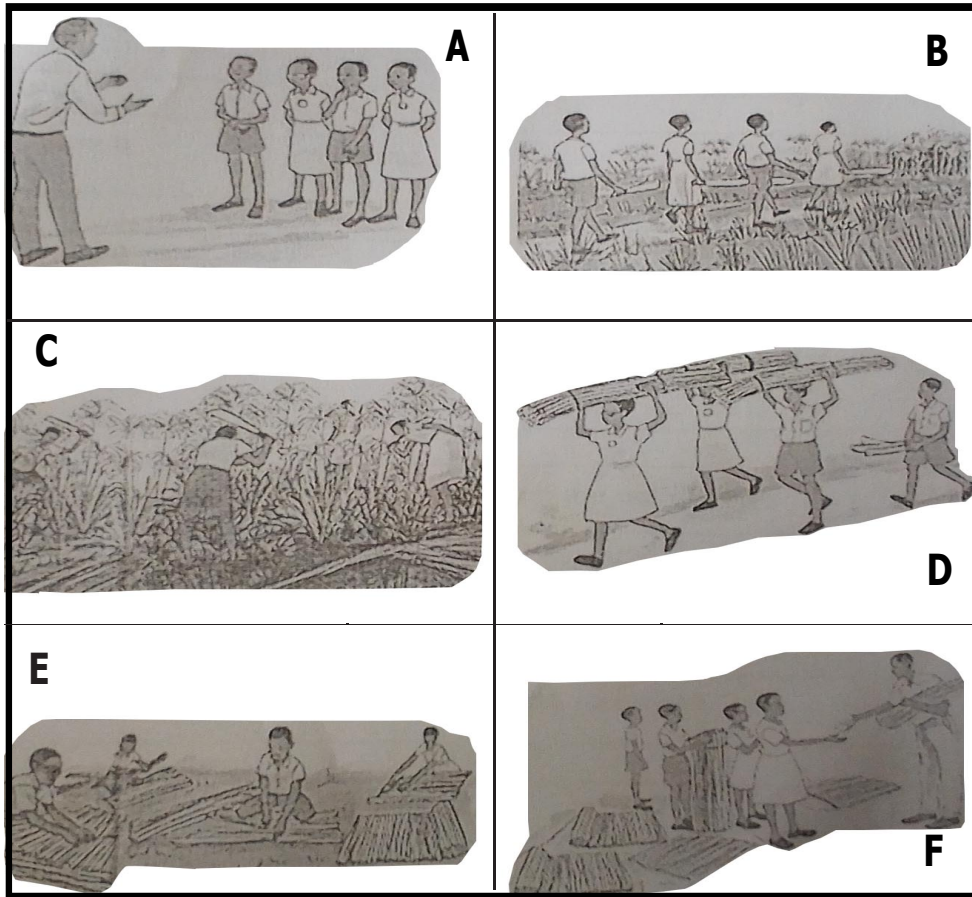
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(j) Write D.E.O in full.

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54. The pictures below tell us a story. Study them carefully and write one sentence about each describing what is happening. You can opt to use the given words in the box below:

making, pupils, selling, happy, cutting, addressing, pangas, papyrus, buying , mats, teacher, swamp



(a) Picture **A**:

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(b) Picture **B**:

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(c) Picture **C**:

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(d) Picture **D**:

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(e) Picture **E**:

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(f) Picture **F**:

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(a) How did the pupils know they would do the activity in **B** ?

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(b) What do you think pupils will do after picture **D** ?

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(c) Apart from Papyrus, what else to pupils use for making mats ?

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(d) Give a suitable title to the story above.

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55. Last Friday, Benjamin organized a birthday party for his young sister who was making fourteen years old. Below is Benjamin's speech. Complete it correctly by filling in the blank spaces with the given words in the box below it .

Good my beloved friend and family at large.
I am so to see you present at this mighty party.
Thanks for making a wonderful decision of joining us to my sister's birthday.

Today, my sister, Babirye has turned I can't believe how faster she is up.

It seems like it was yesterday when she could hold my skirt holding it while walking with me.

You can't believe that she can now reason maturely !



As her elder, I have decided to organize this event in order for us to have fun together.

Besides, we have made up our minds to counsel and guide her on how best she should behave because she is now a

Nevertheless, I would also like to appreciate our for financing this birthday party. I also appreciate my closed counterparts for responding to our and for all the amazing that you have brought for the birthday girl. I wish you well. May God award you with all you desire.

afternoon, teenager, growing, parents, fourteen, brother, gifts, happy, celebrate, invitation