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Form 4

ENGLISH EXAMINATION

Paper 1 - Core

June 2008

TIME 2 HOURS

Plus 10 minutes for reading through the paper

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

This paper consists of **12** printed pages.
Count them now. Inform the invigilator if there is any missing.

PART ONE: 20 Grammar and Vocabulary **50 marks**

PART TWO: Reading Comprehension **30 marks**

PART THREE: Composition Writing **20 marks**

- Answer **ALL** questions in part 1 and 2
- Answer **one** questions in part 3
- All answers must be written on this paper in the spaces provided immediately after each question.
- Rough work can be done on page 2. This will **not** be marked
- No extra paper is allowed

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Part One Grammar and Vocabulary (50 marks)**A. Multiple Choice Questions (25 marks)**

Circle the choice that best completes each sentence.

1. The food was delicious that we asked for more
 - a) quite
 - b) too
 - c) so
 - d) very

2. I was very tired, I could not sleep
 - a) Although
 - b) As
 - c) Also
 - d) Because

3. Asha has been married a long time. She got married she was twenty-three years old.
 - a) because
 - b) as
 - c) when
 - d) since

4. The teacher was very with the pupils who had not done their homework.
 - a) sad
 - b) annoyed
 - c) disturbed
 - d) sorry

5. I will talk to your parents when they
 - a) have come to school
 - b) come to school
 - c) will come to school
 - d) are going to come to school

6. If I had a bigger suit case, I all my clothes.
 - a) will pack
 - b) would pack
 - c) would have packed
 - d) will have packed.

7. The policeman said,

- a) "we have not caught the thieves yet."
- b) "We have not caught the thieves yet."
- c) we have not caught the thieves yet
- d) "they had caught the thieves yet".

8. The lady shop was robbed works in a bank.

- a) who
- b) which
- c) whom
- d) whose

9. These children are so noisy. I just wish they quieter.

- a) were
- b) are
- c) have been
- d) will be

10. If you had arrived earlier, you a better seat.

- a) will get
- b) would get
- c) would have got
- d) should get.

11. There were books in the library so the majority of the students couldn't get what to read.

- a) a few
- b) very few
- c) little
- d) a little

12. It was beautiful spot that I visited four times

- a) such
- b) such a
- c) so
- d) so a

13. Halimo practised..... compositions before the exam.

- a) to write
- b) write
- c) writing
- d) for writing.

14. A fire broke out in the building, but fortunately everybody managed.....

- a) to escape
- b) escaping
- c) escape
- d) from escaping

15. We found the door open this morning. The watchmanit.

- a) would have locked
- b) should have locked
- c) might have locked
- d) could have locked.

16. When the bomb exploded smoke about 20 meters high over the building.

- a) raised
- b) arose
- c) risen
- d) rose

17. My Mother left a on the table before she went to the market.

- a) reminder
- b) souvenir
- c) memory
- d) remember

18. The player suffered a serious knee during the match.

- a) injured
- b) wound
- c) damage
- d) injury

19. Amina is my She is the youngest daughter of my sister.

- a) cousin
- b) nephew
- c) niece
- d) aunt

20. Ali was from his house because he didn't pay the rent for several months.

- a) evicted
- b) dismissed
- c) expelled
- d) fired

21. The firemen managed to the fire after four hours
- a) put down
 - b) put off
 - c) put out
 - d) put away.
22. The police caught the who has set fire to the building.
- a) a mugger
 - b) an arsonist
 - c) a burglar
 - d) a shoplifter
23. My grandfather, never tires of reading his book.
- a) black big old
 - b) black old big
 - c) big black old
 - d) big old black.
24. The story was not true. Fatima had made
- a) it up.
 - b) up it .
 - c) it over.
 - d) over it.
25. I offered him a job but he turned
- a) it away.
 - b) away it.
 - c) down it.
 - d) it down.

B. Word Formation (10 marks)

Complete these sentences with correct form of the words given in brackets.

1. Take off those high heeled shoes. They are not verywhen working on the farm.
(practice)
2. I work in a factory. The noise is(deaf)
3. The whole communication system in Somaliland has been in the last ten years (Modern).
4. The number of in town is increasing due to a lack of jobs. (beg).
5. The coach gave usefulto his players before the match (advise)

6.writing enlarges the students imagination (create).
7. The students expressed their..... by banging on their desks (annoy)
8. Some English teachers speak English with great..... (fluent)
9. If you are it means you can't read or write (literate).
10. The chair looked hard, but in fact it was very (comfort).

C. Choosing the Correct Tenses (15)

Tenses: Read this story and put verbs in brackets into the correct tense (15 marks).

As fashion conscious Suad Abdullahi left Harrods last Friday, she felt proud of her designer jeans that she..... (just buy). But when Suad(return) to the store the next day to do more shopping, she (bar) from entry because she(wear) the same jeans.

Once back home in Liverpool she explained what(happen).

"I (walk) through the swing and doors when suddenly I

.....(stop) by a large uniformed security guard. He

(pointed) at my knees, and said that my jeans.....(tear) so I couldn't enter the shop. I tried to tell him that I(buy)

them in Harrods the day before and that the torn bits were fashionable but he

.....(not listen). He told me to get out. By this time lots of

people.....(gather) round. I

(leave) immediately because I had never felt so embarrassed in my life.

PART TWO.

READING COMPREHENSION 1

(15 MARKS)

Read the following article and then answer the questions that follow.

Hurricane hits Central America - Thousand dead.

The worst hurricane in living memory has caused terrible damage and loss of life throughout Central American. In the large towns nearly three quarters of all buildings have been destroyed. In the countryside, whole villages in which hundreds of people lived have disappeared. Hundred of thousand are homeless and 10,000 are feared dead. The storm hit the area late on Tuesday evening, destroying everything in its path. Winds of over 240 kph demolished all the wooden houses and tore the roofs off others, including the country's main hospital. Cars and lorries were blown onto their sides. Whole banana plantations, on which thousands of people worked, were flattened. Electricity and telephone lines were cut and in the mountain areas heavy rain caused

flash floods and landslides with the result that roads and bridges along which all supplies used to come, were swept away.

Rivers of mud up to five meters deep, swept down the mountainsides, covering several villages.

On Wednesday afternoon the full extent of the damage became clear. Crowds of people stood around silently looking at the wrecks of the houses where they had lived. Many had lost their relatives, their homes and their jobs men. Women and children cried helplessly. Rescue teams started work as soon as they could, but they can do little for most of the people. There are no tents and few medical supplies. The only way to deliver them is by helicopter and the army only has two.

The hurricane is now moving toward the south coast of the USA, but is it getting weaker all the time.

1. Describe the two most serious results of the hurricane on the people (2 m)

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2. Name four things that were destroyed by hurricane. (4m)

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3. Name two things that caused the damage? (2m)

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4. Why can the rescue teams do little for most of people? Give two reasons. (2m)

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5. What do you think will happen when the hurricane reaches the USA? (2m)

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6. What help would you advise governments should send immediately to the areas most badly damaged? (3m)

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Comprehension 2 (15 marks)

Read this short passage and then answer the questions that follow.

When Jerry Siegel and Joseph Shuster were just teenagers, they invented that heroic character known as ‘Superman’. It was a clever idea to create a person who could travel faster than a speeding bullet and who was able to jump over very tall buildings in a single bound. Children everywhere were fascinated by superman and bought hundreds of thousands of comic books with stories of his exploits. Soon other products bearing the superman insignia hit the market, and it wasn’t long before the superhero was the star of his own television show.

Superman’s great popularity should have made **his originators** very rich, but it didn’t. Although Mr. Siegel and Mr. Shuster invented the superhero, and wrote the first stories about him, it was the company they worked for that actually made the money. The **genius of the creators was not rewarded**, and for most of their lives these two men made barely enough money to survive.

Mr. Single and Mr. Shuster remained very poor until, in their sixties, they finally took their case to court. They won their case against the company after 24 years and they were finally permitted to share in the earnings of the superhero they had created. There was justice for them but after a very long wait.

1. Siegel and Shuster were.
 - a) Wealthy inventors.
 - b) Successful publishers.
 - c) Superheroes
 - d) Poor for most of their lives.

2. Siegel and Shuster made
 - a) A lot of money for their company
 - b) No money at all for their company
 - c) Many children angry because of their stories
 - d) Different insignias and toys that looked like Superman.

3. 'his originators' Who are the originators?
 - a) Superman
 - b) the company
 - c) the children
 - d) Siegel and Shuster

4. '**genius of the creators was not rewarded**'. means
 - a) They did not get paid for their clever invention
 - b) They were rewarded for what they created
 - c) They created their own genius
 - d) The skills of the company were paid for the creators

5. A good news paper head line for this story would be:
 - a) Superman to rescue of company
 - b) Superman creators win their just rewards at last
 - c) Courts can solve anything in time
 - d) Flies faster than bullets jumps higher than buildings.

6. Siegel and Shuster went to court to.
 - a) Invent another character similar to superman
 - b) Pay back what they owed to the company that had invented superman
 - c) Obtain recognition that they had invented superman
 - d) Get paid properly for what they had originally invented.

7. Superman's lasted for
- a) Just a short time b) More than four decades
- c). Exactly 42 months d) An entire T.V show.
8. Explain what the court case concluded. (4 marks)

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9. Write about how the two men felt after they had won the case (4 marks).

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PART 4 WRITTEN COMPOSITION (20 MARKS). (150 words).

Either write a composition about thieves who broke into a house in your neighbourhood.
The story can be true or imaginary. You may include the following.

1. When did this happen? What was stolen?
2. How did the thieves get in? What did they do? Where were the usual occupants? Was any one hurt? Did any one see the thieves? Have police got any clues?.
3. How likely is it that the police will catch the thieves.

Or write about the importance of water in life include the following.

1. Why it is important? How much of the world is covered by water?
2. Sources of water in Somaliland. Uses of water.
3. Ways of wasting water and how to avoid them.

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