

NORTHERN EDUCATION DIVISION

2025 MOCK EXAMINATION

ENGLISH

PAPER II PROVISIONAL MARKING KEY

1. NOTE MAKING

ADVANTAGES OF USING ORGANIC FERTILISERS

1. Enhance structure of soil

- a. happens ∴ organic matter in fertilizers improves soil aeration, allows better H₂O infiltration & root growth
- b. crops can better absorb the nutrients needed to grow strong & healthy
- c. can't cause environmental damage that chemical fertilizers often do, e.g. H₂O contamination /soil degradation
- d. help preserve ecosystem by promoting balanced & natural approach to soil mgmt.

2. Providing slower and consistent release of nutrients over time

- a. organic fertilizers break down gradually & supply crops with (Ĉ) steady nutrients
 - i. ensures that plants have continuous nutrients needed to thrive
 - ii. prevents nutrient imbalances / deficiencies
- b. crops grown with organic fertilizers
 - i. tend to have stronger, more resilient growth

3. Encourage activity of beneficial microorganisms in soil

- a. microorganisms, e.g. earthworms, bacteria, & fungi
 - i. play vital role in breaking down organic matter & recycling nutrients
 - ii. improves biological health of soil & creates env. supporting plant growth
- b. helps maintain balanced soil ecosystem essential for sustainable farming practices
- c. (are) highly recommended for long-term agricultural success

4. Environmental friendly choice

- a. reduce reliance on harmful chemicals
- b. chemical fertilizers
 - i. often require using of fossil fuels for production & transportation
 - C increases carbon footprint on farming
- c. organic fertilisers
 - i. typically made from locally sourced materials
 - help reduce transportation emissions & support use of renewable resources
- d. imp. factor in mitigating climate change
 - $\therefore$ have lower environmental impact

Markings Allocation

Content: 8 marks, at least 16 points required ($\frac{1}{2}$ a mark for each supporting point)

Layout: title (2 marks), main points (4 marks), underlining (1 mark), consistent numbering (1 mark)

Style: (4 marks) use of sensible phrases (1 mark), use of at least 3 acceptable symbols (1 mark), use of at least 3 of any of these: short forms, abbreviations, contractions, acronyms (1 mark).

Brevity: 1 mark for the presence of the above three

2. COMPREHENSION

- a. two days (1 mark)
- b. She had promised to live with him upon completing her studies. (2 marks)
- c. She persuaded her to have an affair with a married man (2 marks)
- d. He denies impregnating Eliza (1 mark) and tells her he is a married man who should not be interfered (1 mark). (2 marks)
- e.
 - i. their leaking grass-thatched house
 - ii. Her mother sells vegetables.
 - iii. the hut without sleeping or living room (2 marks)
- f. She was afraid that she would die in the process. (2 marks)
- g.
 - i. persuaded, enticed, encouraged, coaxed (1 mark)
 - ii. problems, misery (1 mark)
 - iii. heavily, continuously (1 mark)
- h.
 - i. placed all the trust/ banked all expectations (2 marks)
 - ii. an obvious thing, a revealed thing, a known story 2 marks)
 - iii. support her/ comfort her/ console her/offer emotional support (2 marks)
- i. Eliza: irresponsible- indulging in sexual relationship
regretful- She feels bad her actions when she is pregnant. (2 marks)
- ii. Masuzgo: crooked/ deceptive, irresponsible- impregnates Eliza and denies responsibility (2 marks)
- j. She does not get impregnated despite having numerous boyfriends. (2 marks)
- k. to show them the one responsible for Eliza's death. (2 marks)

1. Eliza's misfortune / Eliza, the unfortunate girl/Eliza, the irresponsible girl/
Melina, the cunning girl/Melina, the evil girl / Eliza's untimely death
(2 marks)

m. possible points to include in the summary

- i. Eliza comes from a poor family.
- ii. She is a fourth year student at Chihame Nursing College.
- iii. Melina, her roommate, influences her to have sexual relationship.
- iv. She falls for Masuzgo and she gets impregnated.
- v. She confronts Masuzgo but he denies responsibility
- vi. Eliza blames Melina who advises her to abort.
- vii. Eliza takes the abortion pills and she dies.
- viii. Her family is heartbroken as she is laid to rest.
- ix. Masuzgo and Melina attend the burial ceremony.

6 marks for content. (at least 6 points should make up the summary)

2 marks for mechanical accuracy

2 marks for flow of language