



EXAMINATION NO.: _____

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2019 MALAWI SCHOOL CERTIFICATE OF EDUCATION EXAMINATION

ENGLISH

Subject Number: M052/1

Monday, 24 June

Time Allowed: 1 h 45 mins
1:00 – 2:45 pm

PAPER I (70 marks)

Instructions

1. This paper contains 8 printed pages. Please check.
2. The paper has two sections, A and B.
 - Section A is Multiple Choice. Answer **all** questions by encircling the letter representing the right answer.
 - Section B is Composition. Answer **only one** question in the space provided on the question paper.
3. Write your **Examination Number** on all pages.
4. In the table provided on this page, tick against the question number you have answered.
5. At the end of the examination, hand in your paper to the invigilator.

Question Number	Tick if answered	Do not write in these columns		Marker's Name
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Section A (30 marks)

Answer **all** questions in this section by encircling the letter representing the right answer to each question.

Questions 1 – 18

In each of the following questions, choose the word(s) (A, B, C or D) that best complete(s) each of the sentences.

1. Let's begin now, _____?
A. shan't we
B. will we
C. won't we
D. shall we
2. They rarely take lunch at noon, _____?
A. don't they
B. haven't they
C. do they
D. have they
3. We travelled _____ bus when we went to the village last year.
A. on
B. by
C. in
D. with
4. You will be confined _____ your room if you continue to misbehave.
A. at
B. in
C. by
D. to
5. I didn't find any problem since I am acquainted _____ the latest development.
A. with
B. of
C. to
D. about
6. The twins' resemblance _____ each other amazed us.
A. with
B. to
C. over
D. for
7. Mphonongo digressed a little _____ what he was talking about.
A. in
B. at
C. to
D. from
8. The athlete persisted _____ finishing the race despite the injury.
A. to
B. at
C. on
D. in

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9. It is safer to hold a live snake _____ its tail.
A. by
B. at
C. on
D. with
10. The television series *Chikutumbwe* has produced over two hundred _____,
A. seasons
B. episodes
C. chapters
D. movies
11. Chimungulu offered a _____ to the boss in order to be offered the job.
A. corruption
B. fraud
C. bribe
D. theft
12. Mtumodzi suffered from diarrhea. He _____ it to the unripe mangoes he ate.
A. ascribed
B. referred
C. explained
D. informed
13. The man got out of the car, _____ round to the back and opened the boot.
A. walking
B. walk
C. walks
D. walked
14. I don't think the window _____ yet.
A. has repaired
B. was repaired
C. has been repaired
D. was being repaired
15. If you had informed Chimwemwe, she _____ on time.
A. would have come
B. would come
C. had come
D. is coming
16. The convict _____ from the prison.
A. broke away
B. broke down
C. broke out
D. broke off
17. Chifundo _____ my office yesterday.
A. called in
B. called off
C. called at
D. called out
18. How did you _____ this picture?
A. come with
B. come by
C. come on
D. come out

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Questions 19 to 22

In each of the following questions, choose the part of speech (A, B, C or D) that best describes each of the underlined words in the sentences.

19. She got strong credits in both English and Mathematics.
 A. verb
 B. adverb
 C. conjunction
 D. adjective
20. I cannot remember where he stays, I have been there only once.
 A. adjective
 B. adverb
 C. verb
 D. preposition
21. None brought any food despite making an order to the restaurant.
 A. pronoun
 B. noun
 C. conjunction
 D. preposition
22. Mr Phiri's family went for a walk along the sandy beach.
 A. adverb
 B. adjective
 C. verb
 D. noun

Questions 23 to 26

In each of the following questions, choose the order of adjectives (A, B, C or D) that best completes the sentences.

23. We saw a _____ knife at the museum.
 A. black Chewa pointed hunting
 B. pointed black Chewa hunting
 C. pointed hunting black Chewa
 D. black pointed hunting Chewa
24. Most women go for _____ pots.
 A. archaic round foreign aluminium
 B. round archaic aluminium foreign
 C. foreign archaic round aluminium
 D. archaic foreign aluminium round
25. Bengo owns _____ land.
 A. an arable vast square
 B. a vast square arable
 C. a vast arable square
 D. an arable square vast
26. She has married a _____ man.
 A. handsome youthful tall
 B. tall handsome youthful
 C. handsome tall youthful
 D. tall youthful handsome

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Questions 27 to 30

In each of the following questions, choose the option (A, B, C or D) that best describes and gives the function of the underlined phrase or clause.

27. The next step for the project team was to develop a work plan.
- A. adjective clause, qualifying 'step'
 - B. adjective phrase, qualifying 'step'
 - C. noun clause, complement of 'was'
 - D. noun phrase, complement of 'was'
28. Takondwa was influenced by a lady she admired.
- A. noun clause, complement of 'was'
 - B. adjective clause, qualifying 'lady'
 - C. noun clause, object of 'was influenced'
 - D. adverb clause, modifying 'was influenced'

29. So long as the weather is fair, we shall go.
- A. adverb phrase, modifying 'shall go'
 - B. adverb clause, modifying 'shall go'
 - C. noun clause, subject of 'shall go'
 - D. noun phrase, subject of 'shall go'
30. He writes better stories than I do.
- A. adverb clause, modifying 'writes'
 - B. noun clause, in apposition to 'stories'
 - C. noun clause, object of 'writes'
 - D. adjective clause, qualifying 'stories'

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SECTION B (40 Marks)

Answer **one** question only. Spend the first **10 minutes** reading the questions and planning your answer to the question chosen. Planning may include writing rough notes. **Cross out** your rough notes before you hand in your Answer Book.

Marks will be awarded for layout, language, content and creativity. Candidates will be **penalized** for committing mechanical errors and writing answers that are short and/or off-point.

You are expected to write between **350 and 500 words** for the question you have chosen in the space provided.

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31. Imagine that there is a problem of drug and alcohol abuse among the youths in your area and a meeting has been called by the Ward Councillor to address the problem. You have been asked to address your fellow youths during the meeting. Prepare a speech to be delivered during the meeting. **(40 marks)**

OR

32. Write an original story entitled "The Fall Out". **(40 marks)**

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