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INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

- * This paper consists of three sections; A, B and C
- * Answer **all** the questions in section A, **three** questions in section B and **two** questions from section C
- * Answers to all questions must be written in the answer booklet provided.

SECTION A : (25 Marks)
Answer all the questions in this section.

1. Name the pre-historic site in Kenya where the Kenyapithecus fossil was discovered. (1 mark)
2. Identify two original inhabitants that Agikuyu came across in central Kenya as they settled in the area. (2 marks)
3. Mention one landmark that show Portuguese presence in Kenya. (1 mark)
4. State two ways in which Seyyid Said contributed to the spread of christianity in Kenya. (2 marks)
5. Give two special interest groups that participated in the scramble of Kenya. (2 marks)
6. Name two Bantu communities in Kenya which offered mixed reaction against the British. (2 marks)
7. State the main reason which provoked the formation of Ukamba members association in 1938. (1 mark)
8. State one importance of the Devonshire White Paper in 1923 on Africans. (1 mark)
9. Identify the main feature of the system of education in Kenya during the colonial period. (1 mark)
10. Name two women who actively participated in Mau Mau war. (2 marks)
11. Give one importance of cultural activities in Kenya. (1 mark)
12. Define the term dual citizenship. (1 mark)
13. Mention one way in which Kenyans practice direct democracy. (1 mark)
14. Identify two conditions for one to be declared duly elected as president of the republic of Kenya. (2 marks)
15. Name the two houses parliament under the new constitution. (2 marks)
16. State two factors that enhance the rule of law in Kenya. (2 marks)
17. Name the body charged with exercising executive authority at the county level. (1 mark)

SECTION B : (45 Marks)
Answer any three questions from this section.

18. a) Give three social reasons for the migration of the Agikuyu. (3 marks)
- b) Describe the political organisation of the Mijikenda during the pre-colonial period. (12 marks)
19. a) Give three reasons why the Omani Arabs were unable to control East African coast immediately after they defeated the Portuguese. (3 marks)
- b) Explain six factors that contributed to growth of plantation Agriculture in East Africa during the Omani Arab rule. (12 marks)
20. a) State five social factors that led to the scramble and partition of East Africa in the 19th century. (5 marks)
- b) Explain the effects of indirect rule in Kenya. (10 marks)
21. a) Identify five challenges facing industrial development in Kenya. (5 marks)
- b) Explain five functions of the National land commission in Kenya. (10 marks)

SECTION C : (30 Marks)
Answer any two questions from this section.

22. a) State five factors that can make a person be disqualified from being elected a member of a country assembly in Kenya. (5 marks)
- b) Discuss five reasons for the devolution of government in Kenya. (10 marks)
23. a) Identify five ways in which conflicts may have negative effects in Kenya. (5 marks)
- b) Explain five reasons that led to the renewal of multi-party democracy in Kenya in 1991. (10 marks)
24. a) Give three functions of the supreme court in Kenya. (3 marks)
- b) Explain the key changes in the new constitution of Kenya (2010) (12 marks)