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INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

- * Write your name and index number in the spaces provided above.
- * Sign and write the date of examination in the spaces provided above.
- * Answer **ALL** the questions in this question paper.
- * All your answers must be written in the spaces provided in the question paper.
- * Candidates must answer all the questions in English.

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Question	Maximum score	Candidate's score
1	20	
2	25	
3	20	
4	15	
Total score	80	

I. Read the passage below and answer the questions that follow.

(20 marks)

Days after a building collapsed in Huruma, we can pick our minds soberly and see what joke housing has become in the country.

This comes just over a month after another four-storey building collapsed in Zimmerman, attracting similar headlines. Last year, buildings collapsed one after another, all a familiar script.

As corpses repose in the debris waiting for someone to discover their existence in Huruma, too many questions stand in the face of our Real Estate and construction industry. Most prominently, substandard reigns supreme again, and we have no idea whom to blame.

We have played cat and mouse games for too long. A majority of people in urban areas are clicking TV remotes on comfortable sofas, all housed in ticking time bombs that are their houses. Just like Huruma, they have no idea when the walls and roofs will fall on them.

As this happens, we have bodies that should provide checks, such as the National Construction Authority, Architects Association of Kenya, National Housing Corporation and County Governments.

So far, blame is being thrown all over but there is nobody specific taking any responsibility. Nairobi Deputy Governor Jonathan Mueke said over 70 percent of buildings in Nairobi had not been approved by the county government.

You cannot be sure whether yours is encapsulated in that bracket but if you look close, you can tell. Take a walk in Nairobi's Pipeline and Tassia areas in Embakasi, Magorofani in Imara Daima, Githurai, Roysambu, Umoja, Ruaka, Satelite, Ruaraka and more. In these areas, there are flats which from eye view, look like trouble.

More than once, you have seen on land that was desperately swampy and not fit for any form of construction, towering flats in less than six months. When people start moving into these flats, you hold your breath. You can tell they have a problem, but sadly, are among the most affordable.

They attract customers faster, because the rent rates fall within their income bracket. Then comes comments like that of Nairobi County's deputy governor saying the Huruma building was not approved by the county and you confirm your fears, the industry is just as rogue as it looks.

Last year, President Uhuru Kenyatta ordered an audit of city buildings after a series of tragedies. In the President's order, City Hall and the Land ministry were to conduct an audit of all buildings and submit a report within three months. Unless you work closely with these two authorities, you, like me, have not seen that report.

The only report I remember is an audit by Contract Service Associates Ltd in collaboration with the International Code Council last year. It said that between 80 and 90 percent of buildings in Nairobi are unsafe for human occupation and do not conform to building regulations and standards.

Daily Standard, May 2016)

Questions

a) Why do you think urban housing has become a big joke in the country? (2 marks)

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b) Explain how they have played the cat and mouse game for too long. (3 marks)

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c) Identify and explain two character traits of the urban poor people according to the passage. (2 marks)

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d) How have most urban houses become comfortable death traps ?

(2 marks)

e) In point form, give reasons for the recently collapsed buildings.

(4 marks)

f) How would you curb the rot in the construction industry ?

(3 marks)

g) Rewrite the following sentence beginning: "This comes hardly"

This comes just over a month after another four storey building collapsed in Zimmerman.

(1 mark)

h) Explain the meaning of the following words and expressions used in the passage : (3 marks)

i) Familiar script

ii) Time bomb

iii) Encapsulated

2. Read the excerpt below then answer the questions that follow.

(25 marks)

"Are you a sleep or something?" Aoro felt like retorting back - but the end was so near - so sweetly near. He didn't want anyone besmirching his clean record this late with some stupid remark like 'insubordinate', 'unco-operative' or something like that. So he pulled harder on the retractor to open the gaping incision further and kept his mouth shut. The resident started closing the womb. At least this guy was fast. Some were just foul mouthed but awkward in their surgery. By the time they finished it was almost three thirty and there were patients on the queue waiting to be attended to. He checked on the baby to see how it was doing. It was a big baby girl- too big for first-time mother. He noticed with satisfaction that though the score had been only one out of ten at birth - showing that only the baby's heart had been beating - it had risen to eight at five minutes and a perfect ten at ten minutes. As they bundled it off to nursery for observation - he hoped fervently that she would be OK. He still had some human feeling in him. He started attending to the other patients.

Aoro was an intern and internship is a period which is marked in every doctor's mind like a splash of white paint on a dark background. The edges are clear but the middle is hazy for much as they survive it, they never quite know where the remarkable reserves of energy come from. Time to oneself becomes a coveted possession and sleep a jealously guarded mistress. Food was eaten if and when time allowed. One's social life was almost guaranteed to disappear unless one's mate was determined, understanding and forgiving. To work for thirty SIX continuous hours was commonplace. The number of nights a week that one slept depended on the number of interns available. A fully free weekend was a prize beyond compare. If the person you loved was also an intern in a different hospital in another province, then the relationship had to be iron bound to survive.

Wandia was an intern at Machakos General Hospital which was two hours away by public transport, which was all the two had. There was no guarantee that when you got your few precious hours and rushed over, you would find the other person free to spend even a little time with you. He might be in theatre or in a ward round with his consultant breathing fire and brimstone down his neck, or he may be held up doing a procedure on a patient. In the last year, Wandia and Aoro had had only one such coinciding free day. He lived in constant fear that some fast talking Kamba doctor would take his girl away.

But all things come to an end and the two had two weeks to go before they were signed off from their respective hospitals. With that would automatically come the right to be registered as a medical practitioner in Kenya, freedom and a few other human rights, such as the right to ask a girl to marry you.

a) Place this excerpt in its immediate context.

(4 marks)

b) Describe the character of Aoro as brought out in this excerpt.

(4 marks)

c) He still had some human feelings in him. What does this statement suggest about doctors ? (2 marks)

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d) Comment on the life of an intern as brought out in this excerpt. (3 marks)

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e) Contrast the attitude Aoro and the resident doctor have towards each other. (4 marks)

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f) What is the main theme in excerpt ? (2 marks)

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g) Identify and comment on figurative use of language found in this excerpt. (3 marks)

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h) He feared that some fast talking Kamba doctor would take his girl away.
(Rewrite beginning : so) (1 mark)

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i) Explain meaning of the following words as used in the excerpt :

(2 marks)

a) Insubordinate

b) Besmirching

3. Read the below and then answer the questions that follow.

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Seated by the side window
I see London dwarfed
By the Nairobi-bound plane

I try to bring Wood Green
Into the whirlwind of my mind
But all I remember
Is the fateful day
Of sixth October in Tottenham
When black and white
Strangled each other
In the streets

Earphones
Cut through my head
As I nervously listen
To the foreign slipstream
'The people that you never get to love'
Repeatedly hitting at my conscience
While I thought of home

When
Will I shake hands
With the mother of my children ?

When
Will I hold my own images
In my winter-frozen hands?

But my thoughts are snapped
By the terrible noise
The noise of the propellers
Through the thick clouds
The shrill voice of the commentator
Through the chilly chambers
The rumble of flushing toilets
All in one reacting my clogged ears

Ten hours in the skies,
Belted on an 'unsafe' seat,
Thousands of feet above the ground
Hundreds of miles per hour,
I anxiously long for the landing -
By Prof. A.D. Amateshe

a) Who is the persona in the poem ?

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b) Briefly comment on the poem.

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c) Why do you think the speaker is leaving the country, give reasons for your answer ? (4 marks)

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d) Identify and explain the effect of one poetic device used in the poem.

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e) Why do you think the speaker refers to the seat as 'unsafe' ?

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f) What is the attitude of the speaker towards his hosts ?

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g) Identify and explain one character trait of the speaker.

(2 marks)

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h) Explain the meaning of the following words and phrases :

(2 marks)

i) Own images

ii) Cogged

4. GRAMMAR : (15 MARKS)

a) Rewrite the following sentences as instructed.

(4 marks)

i) In no way should he be admitted in the facility.
(Begin: Under)

ii) You should not despise the poor.
(Replace the underlined word with a phrasal verb starting with : Look ...)

iii) She was too tired to run. Rewrite using: So ...)

iv) If you do not work hard you will fail.
(Rewrite using : Unless)

b) Rewrite the following sentences filling the spaces with the correct word from the brackets.

(4 marks)

i) A dog uses (its/it's) sense of smell.

ii) (all over sudden / all of a sudden) hell broke loose.

iii) The president congratulated the (graduands / graduants)

iv) He locked them in (there / their) cave.

c) Rearrange the following adjectives in the correct order.

(3 marks)

i) He likes to drive (metallic, German, big) vehicles.

ii) Fort Jesus is a (big, magnificent, old) building in Mombasa.

iii) The winning peagant was a (young, tall, beautiful, Filipino) lady.

d) Use the correct form of the word in brackets in the sentences that follow.

(4 marks)

i) Alcohol is (injury) to our health.

ii) Her (expose) article won her an award.

iii) He is contesting in the (governor) election.

iv) Inspector Sang is an (corrupt) officer who is nationally celebrated.