

NANDI NORTH AND NANDI CENTRAL JOINT EVALUATION 2016**101/1****ENGLISH****PAPER 1****(FUNCTIONAL SKILLS)****JULY / AUGUST 2016****TIME: 2 HOURS****1. FUNCTIONAL WRITING**

(20mks)

You are the President of your School. It has come to your notice that some students make a lot of noise during morning preps. Write a memorandum to the students warning the noise makers against the habit. In your memorandum, remind the students of the importance of maintaining total silence at this time and the punishment for those who will fail to adhere to this expectation. Remember to send a copy of your memorandum to the principal.

2. CLOZE TEST

(10mks)

Read the passage below and fill in the gaps using the most appropriate words.

The way (1) _____ which you structure (2) _____ present your answer in easy writing is absolutely critical. A (3) _____ structured and clearly presented essay conveys exactly (4) _____ sort of impression that gets examiner (5) _____ your side straight away. In (6) _____, if he can see that your plan and structure is logical and he can easily pick (7) _____ the key points, or even just the key words, it may well be that he won't (8) _____ read the essay in detail. He'll just quickly (9) _____ the marks for the key points and then move on. He will have been able to see easily and quickly recognize that you know what you're doing so he can feel confident that he needn't (10) _____ time going through your answer with a fine toothed-comb.

3. ORAL SKILLS

(30mks)

(a) Read the Oral Narrative below and answer the questions that follow.

GIKUYU AND MUMBI

In the beginning, Ngai or the creator, made Gikuyu. He gave him wife called Mumbi. The two lived in a cave under a Mugumo tree at a place called Mukurwe wa Gathanga in Murang'a.

Ngai, the creator, lived on top of Kirinyaga from where he ruled the entire universe. One day, he lifted up Gikuyu to the top of the mountain from where he beheld a panorama of the beautiful land stretching from miles before him. He saw a land of Ravines, Rivers and ridges. It lay between the mountains of Kirinyaga, Kiandarua, Kihaji nd Kiambiruiru.

"Do you see all this beautiful land sprawling before your eyes?" Ngai asked. Yes I do" Gikuyu answered.

"Well then. All that land I give you. It is land flowing with milk and honey (Uki na ngorono). It belongs to you and to your descendants."

But Ngai also told Gikuyu to worship him also facing Kirinyaga and occasionally offer sacrifices of fat rams under the Mugumo tree.

Gikuyu and his wife, Mumbi lived together quite happily. They had nine daughters but no son. This worried Gikuyu so much as he didn't see how he could propagate his house. And he sacrificed to Ngai and made his fear known. But Ngai told him not to worry for he, Ngai would send him nine handsome young men who would marry Gikuyu's nine beautiful daughters.

And true to his word, Ngai sent him nine handsome young men who married Gikuyu's nine daughters. They brought forth children and each daughter started her own clan.

These are:-

Acera (Njeri)

Agachiku (Wanjiku)

Arimu (Wairimu)

Ambui (Wambui)

Ethaga (Wagathigia)

Aithrandu (Waithera)

Angari (Wangari)

This myth explains the origin of the Agikuyu and how they came to have nine clans. It also explains the link between the clans and the common female names found in the tribe.

QUESTIONS

- (i) Before telling this story to the audience, list down **three** things the narrator must do to capture the audience's attention. (3mks)
- (ii) "Do you see all this beautiful land sprawling before your eyes?" Ngai asked. (Line 7)
 "Yes I do," Gikuyu answered (Line 8)
 How would you perform the words of Ngai? (2mks)
- (iii) Which intonation would you use for Gikuyu's words? Explain your answer. (2mks)
- (iv) At the end of the performance of this oral narrative, signs of inattentiveness were noticed from the audience. List down **three** such signs. (3mks)
- (b) **Underline** stressed syllables in the following words:
 Sedimentation
 Noteworthy
 Conflagration
- (c) Identify the odd word out according to the pronunciation of the underlined sound. (2mks)
- (i) Said Head Paid Red
 (ii) Shepherd Philosophy Phase Surface
- (d) (i) Grusha patiently waited for Simon Shashava to return from the war. Explain the meaning of the sentence when the following words are stressed: (3mks)
 Grusha
 The war
 Simon
- (ii) You have been called on to speak to the youth of your church on the dangers of drugs and substance abuse. Introduce yourself to the audience. (2mks)
- (iii) Assume that you are the principal of Excel High School where the Head of State makes a visit. Introduce John Rashid (a medical doctor) who is a member of the Board of Management to the Head of State. (2mks)
- (e) Mike has been sent to a neighbouring school to participate in a group discussion. Suggest ways that will make him benefit from the group discussion. (8mks)