INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES:

(a) Write your Name, Index Number and School in the spaces provided above.
(b) Sign and write the Date of Examination in the spaces provided above.
(c) Answer ALL questions in this question paper.
(d) All your answers must be written in the spaces provided in the question paper.
(e) Candidates must check the question paper to ascertain that all pages are printed as indicated and that no question are missing.

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FUNCTIONAL WRITING

Imagine that you have attended a meeting of the Writer's Club where the main items of agenda listed below were discussed. Write the minutes.

a) Treasurer's Report.
b) Publication of the School Magazine.
c) Tour of the New Kenya Newspaper Complex.
d) Any other Business.

(20mks)
2. CLOZE TEST

Fill in each blank space in the passage below with the most appropriate word.

Girls and their families may find little (1) ________ to attend school if they are (2) ________ that girls are of (3) ________ value than boys, or if they are tracked (4) ________ fields of study or low-paid occupations considered (5) ________ for women. Studies show that in Africa, Asia and the Middle East, women are (6) ________ portrayed as subordinates and passive (7) ________ men are shown as displaying intelligence, leadership and dominance. Many developing countries (8) ________ practice gender streaming in secondary schools, directing girls (9) ________ from Maths and Science. Teaching (10) ________ such as giving boys more opportunities to ask and answer questions may further discourage girls.

3. (i) Read the story below and then answer the questions that follow.

A long time ago, there lived Truth, Elephant, Greed, Water and Snake who were very close friends. They had one possession to their credit and that was a camel. Everything a member got was brought to be shared equally among all of them. But Greed did not share the good sentiments of his other friends because of his greediness. He attempted to make enmity among his friends so that the camel would be his after the friends killed each other. He thought of ways and devised means to divide friends.

He met with Snake secretly and told her, “Snake, Elephant is very big and can decide to kill us and take our camel for himself. So what will we do about this menace?” Snake did not know what to do because her heart was free from any ill-feelings. Greed told her, “Listen Snake, you have poison and I ask you to inject the poison into Elephant.” Snake did as she was instructed and Elephant died. Who remained? There remained Truth, Greed, Water, Fire, Snake and the camel they shared.

Greed did not stop at that. He went next to Fire and told him, “Fire, listen to me. Snake is the one who killed Elephant and could kill us also. So what shall we do about her?”

Fire did not know what could be done. Greed told him, “Snake will sleep at night and all you have to do is to encroach on her from all sides and burn her to death.” Fire did as he was told and Snake was burnt to death. Who remained? There remained Truth, Greed, Water, Fire and the camel they shared.

Greed, as usual did not stop at that and he went to Water and told him, “Water, listen. Fire killed Snake because he had killed Elephant and could kill us if he wanted. So, what shall we do about this threat?” Water did not know what action was to be taken. Greed told him, “All you have to do is to extinguish this threatening Fire.”

Water did it as he was told and Fire was extinguished to death. Who remained? There remained Truth, Greed, Water and the camel they shared.

Greed next went to Truth and said to him, “Listen, Truth. Water killed Fire who killed Snake. Snake had killed Elephant. So, what shall we do about this threatening menace?”

Truth who was known for is good character did not know what was to be done with Water. greed in his usual style, suggested another plot and exclaimed, “You know that Water cannot climb a hill and all we have to do is to climb the hill with our camel.”
Truth did as advised and they left Water on the plain while they climbed the hill. Who remained? There remained Greed, Truth and the camel they shared.

Greed still cherished in his heart the idea that one day the camel would be personally his. He thought very deeply on how to kill the Truth. He got this chance when they took the camel on the well to water it. When they reached the deep well Greed told Truth to go in the well so that he could fill the container with water, while he, Greed, pulled the container to the surface and watered the camel. After some time the camel was satisfied with drinking. When Truth asked Greed to drop him the big rope so that he might come out of the well, Greed laughed wickedly and left Truth in the well to die.

Truth remained in the well for a long time. He was very hungry and tired. He could have died if ghosts had not brought their animals to the well. The ghosts dropped the container into the well to get water. Truth held the rope firmly. The ghosts realized that there was something holding their rope. They shouted, “Who is holding our rope?” From the well’s depth Truth replied, “It is Truth, who has been left in the well to die by Greed.” They pulled the rope together and removed Truth from the well. When Truth saw the appearance of the ghosts, he was astonished at their ugliness and he exclaimed, “Andu billiri mika, bidya da ragir!” which means, “Allah protect me from devils.” Immediately he said that the ghosts disappeared leaving thousands of their animals. Truth assumed ownership of these animals. He took all these animals and started to drive them away.

While proceeding with his journey he met Greed with the camel. Greed was surprised to see Truth alive and with so many animals. He asked him how he had acquired them. Truth, known for his frankness, told Greed how he was removed from the well by ghosts and how they lied when he exclaimed, “Andu billiri mika, bidya da ragir!” Greed, tempted to own many animals, decided to go to the well and look for animals. He entrusted the camel with Truth. When Greed reached the well he went down to the bottom and waited for the ghosts. After sometime the ghosts arrived with other animals. They dropped their container into the well. Greed caught hold of the rope and held it firmly. The ghosts realized there was somebody holding their rope. They shouted down the well, “Who is holding our rope?” Greed replied, “It is Greed.” The ghosts told him, “So it was you who left Truth in this well. We will kill you.” They took a big stone and smashed Greed into pieces. Who remained now? There remained only Truth and his animals. Now that Greed did not come for his camel, which he had got by deceit, it became the property of Truth. And there our story ends.

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Questions

(a) What evidence is there in the first paragraph to show that Truth, Elephant, Greed, Water and Snake were close? (2mks)

(b) What can we infer about the camel in this society? (2mks)

(c) What can we conclude about Snake, Fire, Water and Truth? Illustrate your answer. (3mks)
(d) How does Greed convince the friends to kill each other? Give your answer in about 75 words. (5mks)

(e) Rewrite the following in indirect speech:
Greed told him, "All you have to do is to extinguish this threatening Fire." (1mk)

(f) What role do the ghosts play in the story? (3mks)

(g) Give any two lessons we can learn from this story. (4mks)

(ii) Grammar (10 marks)
To fill in the blank spaces, choose the correct alternative from the brackets.

(a) is not good for you. (Cake, A cake) (1mk)
(b) is expense these days. (Soda, A soda) (1mk)
(c) That was quite _______________ unique experience (a, an) (1mk)
(d) Do you have _______________ food to spare? (some, any) (1mk)
(e) I saw Jane you were talking about a while back. (a, the) (1mk)

Fill in the gaps with the correct preposition

(a) Women are inferior ______ men. (1mk)
(b) Their search ______ freedom was long and hard. (1mk)
(c) I hope your friend doesn't deal ______ stolen cars. (1mk)
(d) Mwema's conduct is ______ reproach. (1mk)
(e) Unfortunately, the airplane plunged ______ ocean. (1mk)