

ENGLISH**PAPER 1****(Functional Skills)****JULY/AUGUST, 2009****TIME: 2 ½ HOURS.**

1. Imagine that you are the head prefect of your school. You are planning to have school career day later in the year. You intend to invite a guest speaker who is a renowned academician from one of the public universities.

- (a) Write an E-mail inviting the guest speaker to this function.. (8mks)
- (b) Imagine it is two weeks to the career day. Write a reminder note to the guest speaker. (7mks)
- (c) Assume that the day was a big success. Write a thank you note to the guest speaker.

2. **CLOZE TEST**

A church has disowned plans _____(1) erect a monument at the site where _____ (2) than 27 people were burnt to death during the poll _____(3)

The Kenya Assemblies of God Church, Kiambaa burial committee _____(4)

That there were no plans to build the _____ (5) at the site.

The change of tune comes barely a week _____(6) the funeral committee announced _____(7) intentions to erect the monument in _____(8) of those who lost their lives in the inferno.

“The burial on May 14 marked the end of a sad chapter in the history of our region. It is time to _____(9) the past and move forward in pursuit for genuine peace and reconciliation,” Said a statement read by the committee chairman Joseph Keriri.

The statement said only an all inclusive process will help in the realization of _____(10) and reconstruction.

3. (a) Identify the silent sound in each of the following words. (5mks)

- 1. Dumb
- 2. Castle
- 3. Rapport
- 4. Scheme
- 5. Coup

The earth is everybody's home and nobody likes living in a dirty home. Together, we can make the earth a cleaner, healthier and more pleasant place to live in.

QUESTIONS

1. How was the earth able to cope with air pollution in the past? (1mk)
2. Humans probably first experienced harm from air pollution when they made fire in poorly ventilated caves.(Re-write in the passive voice.) (1mk)
3. What factors had led to the spread of air pollution? (2mks)
4. In a paragraph of about 60 words summarize the effects of air pollution.(5mks)
5. You cannot escape air pollution, not even in your own house(Re-write beginning: Not even..... (5mks)
6. Make notes on ways of curbing air pollution. (5mks)
7. Give one word that can replace each of the following words in the passage.
 - (a) Primary
 - (b) Significant
 - (c) Hazard (3mks)
8. Explain the meaning of the following idiomatic expression as used in the Passage: - (1mk)
'The sword of Damocles'
9. The rest come from specific sources such as copying machines, electrical and telephone cables that emit air pollutants.

2. Give a phrasal verb starting with the verb 'give ' that means the same as emit

SET BOOK

Read the excerpt below and answer the questions that follow.

AN ENEMY OF THE PEOPLE

(DR. STOCKMANN”Living –room. The door into the dining – room is shut.
It is morning.MRS. STOCKMANN. With a sealed letter in her hand, comes in
from the dining – room. Goes to the door of the DOCTOR’S study, and peeps in.)

MRS. STOCKMANN: Are you there, Thomas?

DR.STOCKMANN: (From within his room): Yes, I have just come in.

(Comes into the room.)What is it dear?

MRS.STOCKMANN: A letter from you brother.

DR. STOCKMANN: Aha, let us see! (Opens the letter and reads :)”I return
herewith your manuscript” 9reads on in a low murmur.)H’m.....

MRS STOCKMANN: What does he say?

DR.STOCKMANN (Putting the papers in his pocket): Oh, he only
Says that he will come up here himself about midday.

MR.STOCKMANN: Well, remember to be at home this time.

DR.STOCKMANN: That will be all right; I have finindhed all my morning visits.

MRS.STOCKMANN:I am extremely curious to know how he takes it.

DR.STOCKMANN: He will like that fact that is I, and not he, that made the discovery

MRS.STOCKMANN: Aren’t you a little nervous about that?

DR.STOCKMANN: Oh, he really will be pleased enough, you know. But, at the same time, peter
hates the idea of someone doing any service to the town except himself.

MRS.STOCKMANN: I will tell you what, Thomas – you should be god natured, and share the credit
with him. Couldn’t you drop a hint that it was he who set you on the scent of this discovery?

DR.STOCKMANN: Iam quite willing. If only I can get the thing set right I.....

(**MORTEN KILL** puts his head in through the door leading from the hall, looks around in an
enquiring manner, and chuckles)

MORTEN KILL (slyly): Is it – is true?

MRS.STOCKMANN: (going to the door); father! – is it you?

DR.STOCKMANN: Ah, good morning, father – in law

MRS.STOCKMANN: But come along in.

MORTEN KILL: If it is true, I will; if not, Iam off.

DR.STOCKMANN: If what is true?

MORTEN KILL: This queen tale about the water supply, is it true?

Dr.STOCKMANN: Certainly it is true, but how did you come to hear about it?

MORTEN KILL: (coming in): Petra looked in on her way to hear about it?

DR.STOCKMANN: Did she?

MORTEN KILL: Yes; and she declares that – I thought she was only making a fool of me –but it isn't like Petra to do that.

DR.STOCKMANN: Of course not. You sure don't imagine Petra would do a thing like that!

MORTEN KILL: Oh well, it is better never to trust anybody; you may find you have been fooled before you know where you are. **But is it really true all the same?**

DR. STOCKMANN: You can depend upon it that it is true. Won't you sit down?

(Settles him on ht couch.) Isn't it a real bit of lick for the town?

MORTEN KILL: (Suppressing his laughter): A bit of luck for the town?

DR.STOCKMANN: Yes, that I made the discovery in good time.

MORTEN KILL: Yes, yes, yes! – But I should never have thought you the sort of man to pull your own brother's leg like this!

DR.STOCKMANN: pull hi leg!

MRS.STOCKMANN: Really, father dear...

MORTEN KILL: (Resting His Hands and his chin on the handle of his stick and winking slyly at the DOCTOR): Let me see, what was the story? Some little creatures that had got into the water pipes, wasn't it?

DR.STOCKMANN: Bacteria –yes.

MORTEN KILL: And a lot of these creatures had got in, according to Petra – tremendous lot.

DR. STOCKMANN: Certainly; hundreds of thousand of them, probably.

MORTEN KILL: But no one can see them – isn't that so?

DR.STOCKMANN: Yes; you can't see them.

MORTEN KILL :(with a quiet chuckle): Damn – it's the finest story I have ever heard!

DR.STOCKMANN: What do you mean?

MORTEN KILL: But you will never get the Mayor to believe a thing like this.

DR.STOCKMANN: We shall see.

MORTEN KILL: Do you think he will be fool enough to..?

DR.STOCKMANN: I hope the whole town will be fools enough.

MORTEN KILL: The whole town! Well, it wouldn't be a bad thing. It would just serve them right, and teach them a lesson. They think themselves smarter than we old fellows. They hounded me out of the council; the did, I tell you – they hounded me out. Now they shall pay for it. You pull their legs too, Thomas!

DR.STOCKMANN: Really, I.....

MORTEN KILL: you pull their legs! (Get up) if you can work it so that the Mayor and his friends all swallow the same bait. I will give ten pounds to charity on the spot!

DR.STOCKMANN: That is very good of you.

MORTEN KILL: Yes,I haven't, got much money to throw away, I can tell you; but' if you can work this, I will give five pound to charity his Christmas.

(HOVSTAD comes in by the hall door)

HOVSTAD: Good morning!(stops) Oh, I beg your pardon.

DR.STOCKMANN: Not at all; come in, come in.

DR.STOCKMANN :(with another chuckle): Ohoo! – is he in this too?

HOVSTAD: What do you mean?

DR.STOCKMANN: Certainly he is.

MORTEN KILL: I Might Have Known It! It must get into the papers. You know how to do it, Thomas! Well you two do your damnest. Now I must go.

DR.STOCKMANN:Won't you stay a little while, father –in –law?

MORTEN KILL: No, I must be off now. You keep up this game for all it is worth ; you won't repent it, I promise you that!

(He goes out; MRS STOCKMANN follows him into the hall.)

DR.STOCKMANN: (laughing): Just imagine – the old cap doesn't believe a word about his water supply.

HOVSTAD: Oh that was it, then?

DR.STOCKMANN: Yes, we just talk about it. Perhaps it is the same thing that brings you here?

HOVSTAD: can you spare me a few minutes, doctor?

DR.STOCKMANN: As long as you like my dear fellow.

HOVSTAD: Have you heard from the Mayor yet?

DR.STOCKMANN: Not yet, but he should be here shortly.

HOVSTAD: I have given the matter a great deal of thought since lat night.

DR.STOCKMANN: Well?

HOVSTAD: As a doctor and aman of science, this affair of the water supply is an isolated matter. Imam, you do not realize that it is tied up with a lot of other things.

DR.STOCKMANN: In what way..? Let us sit down, my dear fellow. No, sit here on the couch.

(HOVSTAD sits down on the couch, DR.STOCKMANN on a chair on the other side of the table)
Now then. You mean that..?

HOVSTAD: You said yesterday that the contamination of the water was due to impurities in the soil

DR. STOCKMANN: Yes, there is no doubt it is due to that poisonous morass up at Molledal

HOVSTAD: You will forgive me, Doctor, I fancy it is due to quite another morass altogether...

DR.STOCKMANN:-What morass?

HOVSAD: The morass that the whole society is built on and is rotting in.

1. Place the excerpt in its immediate context. (4mks)
2. Identify anyone theme from the excerpt above. (2mks)
3. Identify any one feature of style used in this excerpt. (2mks)
4. Compare and contrast the character of Morten Kill and Dr. stockman. (4mks)
5. In about 90 words summarize Morten Kell's reaction towards DR. STOCKMANN'S discovery. (7mks)
6. Aren't you a little nervous about that? Write this as appositive statement.
7. Peter hates the idea of someone doing any service to the town except himself. (Begin: Apart from himself...)
8. I have given the matter a great deal of thought since last night.(write in reported speech.)
9. Explain the meaning of the following idiom: Pull ones leg.
10. Write the homonym of the following words.
 - (a) Heard
 - (b) Dear
11. That is very good of you. (add a question tag)

3. POETRY

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

ONCE UPON A TIME

Once upon a time dear son

They used to laugh with their hearts

And laugh with their eyes; but not they only

Laugh with their teeth

While their ice – cold – block- eyes

Search behind my shadow.

There was a time indeed

They used to shake hands with the hearts

But that's gone son
Now they shake hands without hearts.
As their hands.
Search my empty pockets
"feel at home," come again
They say but when I come
Again and feel at home, once twice.
There will be no thrice
For then I find the doors shut on me.

So I have learned man things son
I have learned to wear many faces
Like dresses, home face, office face,
Cocktail face
'With all their conforming smiles.

Like a fixed portrait smile

And I have learned too
To laugh with only my teeth'
And shake hands without my heart
I have also learned to say 'Goodbye'
When I mean "Good riddance"

To say 'Glad to meet you'
Without being glad; and to say 'it has been
Nice talking to you' after being bored
But believe me son want to be what Fused to be when I was like you.

I want to unlearn these muting things
Most of all, I want to re-learn
How to laugh, show me how
I used to laugh and smile
Once upon a time when I was like you!

- a) Who is speaking in the poem? (2mks)
- b) What is the poem about? (4mks)
- c) Identify any three images that emphasize what the persona is saying.(3mks)
- d) Apart from the three images discuss any other two poetic devices used(4mks)
- e) Explain the following lines as used in the poem? (4mks)
- (i) 'Like fixed portrait smile
- (ii) 'I want to unlearn this muting things'
- f) What is the relationship between the persona and the son? (2mks)
- g) What is the tone of the poem/ (1mk)
- a) Rewrite the following sentences according to the instructions given (3mks)
- (i) The boys beat the drums and the girls sang the songs.(Rewrite the sentence in the passive voices)
- (ii) All the students passed the examination.begin: Non....
- (iii) Martin has scored an 'A' in the K.C.S.E examination. He should be admitted for medicine in Nairobi University.
(Begin: Having.....)
- b) Complete each of the following sentences by filling in each of the blank spaces with the correct preposition. (3mks)
- (i) The students share the book_____ the three of them.
- (ii) His story was consistent_____ - the newspaper report.
- (iii) Jane was carrying a book_____ her hand.
- c) Use the correct phrasal verb from the word given to complete each of the following sentences: (3mks)
- (i) Traditions are unwritten laws that have been _____ (pass) from one generation to another
- (ii) He _____ in the middle of his speech, since he was hurt.
(Break)
- (iii) My sister is one of the cadets of the _____ parade (pass)
- Explain the difference in meaning between these two sentences. (2mks)
- i) The policemen who arrested the thieves have been promoted.
- ii) The policemen, who arrested the thieves, have been promoted.

Underline the clauses in the following sentences as indicated in

the brackets

(3mks)

- i) I can still spare a moment for you even though I am tired (adverbial)
- ii) The thought that I had failed in my exam terrified me.(noun)
- iii) But for the referee's bias, we would have won the tournament (adjective)

Replace each of the underlined expressions in the following sentences with one word

(3mks)

- i) Joseph likes quarreling a lot.
- ii) Kariuki rarely had fare home because he was wasteful in spending.
- iii) Take care of the utensils they are easily broken.