**CHAMPIONS JET 2, EXAMINATION**

Kenya Certificate of Secondary Education

**101/2 Paper 2**

**ENGLISH**

**(Comprehension, Literary Appreciation and Grammar)**

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(c) Answer **all** the questions in this paper

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*1.Read thepassage below and then answer the questions that follow.(20 marks)*

In order to understand what is meant by high blood pressure or hypertension, we need first to learn a bit about how the heart and the blood vessels work.

The heart is basically just a muscular pump and its job is to push blood through the tubes –the blood vessels –that make up the circulatory system. The heart works by squeezing and relaxing. Each time it squeezes, it forces blood out of its chambers and pushes the blood forward through the tubes. Each time the heart relaxes it refills with more blood.

Special names are given to these two phases of the pumping cycle. The time when the heart is squeezing, and pushing blood forward through the blood vessels, is called systole. The time when the heart muscle is relaxing and the heart is refilling with blood is called diastole. Now, during systole, as the heart is forcing blood through the blood vessels, the pressure inside those blood vessels increases up to maximum. We call that maximum systolic pressure, because it is the pressure recorded during the heart’s systole, or squeezing. Then during diastole, as the heart muscle relaxes, the pressure inside the blood vessels falls back down to its resting level; we call this lower resting pressure inside the blood vessels the diastolic pressure, because it is the pressure recorded during the heart’s diastole, or relaxation.

So, blood pressure is a measure of the pressure that the blood exerts against the walls of the blood vessels. And since the heart’s pumping cycle has two phases-squeezing(systole)and relaxation(diastole)-the blood pressure has two components; a maximum when the pressure inside the bloodreaches a **peak**-the systolic pressure; and a low point, when the pressure drops to its resting level-the diastolic pressure.

When we measure a person’s blood pressure, we measure boththese pressures. So when we say your blood pressure is 130/90, it means that the systolic pressure-the pressure inside your blood vessels when the heart is squeezing is 130mm Hg. The diastolic pressure – the pressure inside your blood vessels when the heart muscle is resting is 90mm Hg.(mm of a column of mercury).The blood pressure, that we mention,130/90,is NOT ,by the way, a very high blood pressure. It indicates mainly that you have a **tendency** to get high blood pressure, so your blood pressure should be checked regularly, especially during attacks of headaches.

What can be the cause of an elevated blood pressure? First of all, nervousness, stress, excitement and pain can all cause the blood pressure to go up temporarily. That’s why doctors don’t rely on just one measurement of blood pressure to make a diagnosis of high blood pressure. It is only when there have been several measurements that all show an above normal pressure that the diagnosis of hypertension can be made. Once a person is found to have consistently high blood pressure, then it is important to look for the cause. A few cases of high blood pressure are caused by abnormalities in the kidneys or in body hormones, and these causes can be mostly ruled out by doing a few blood tests.

The vast majority of cases of high blood pressure, though, are what we call essential hypertension.

That means that we can’t find any specific reason for the high blood pressure; It’s just that it may be, because of heredity or for other reasons that we don’t yet understand.

What should you do about your blood pressure? As we said, if your pressure is not very high, it does not need aggressive medical treatment. You can think of this slight elevation of blood pressure as being like a red flag, warning you to take certain precautions in order to prevent more serious levels of hypertension. These precautions are: Watch your weight and don’t let yourself get overweight, do not smoke, be careful with salt-use as little as possible in food and have your blood pressure checked regularly (at least every six months.)

a) What according to paragraph one is a prerequisite to understanding hypertension?(2marks)

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b) Explain the use of symbolism in the second paragraph. (2marks)

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c) How would you describe the blood pressure reading of 130/90? (2marks)

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d) Why doesn’t a doctor rely on only one measurement of blood pressure to make a diagnosis? (3marks)

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e) Why is it necessary to do blood tests on people with high blood pressure?(2marks)

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f) In not more than fifty words summarize the causes of elevated blood pressure according to the passage.(4marks)

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g) What advice does the writer give to those whose blood pressure is slightly high? (2 marks)

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h) The heart works by squeezing and relaxing. (add a question tag) (1mark)

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(i) Explain the meaning of each of the following as used in the passage. (2marks)

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*2.Read the excerpt below and then answer then questions that follow. (25 marks)*

‘’Excellent. Keep that mobile phone on at all times, day and night, rain or sunshine. From now on, I will be calling you often, even unexpectedly, but only through this number. So always have the mobile phone on. Unlike your hotel phone, it is completely secure, which means I can talk to you on it freely.’’

‘’So, you will tell me your real name now?’’ Pastor Chiamaka asked.

‘’My real name, my real name-why? ’Shouted the caller, angry all of a sudden.

‘’Well, ‘why’ yourself, ’Pastor Chiamaka shouted back, also angrily, answering fire with fire.’’If I don’t have your real name, how can I even begin to ask for you were a need to do so to arise?’’

‘’Were a need to do so to arise, I would contact you, ’the caller told him.

‘’Ah,you can contact me, but I can’t contact you? What is the matter? Are you afraid I might surprise you?’’

‘’Shut your mouth!’’snapped the caller.

‘’What did you say?’’Pastor Chiamaka asked.

‘’You heard me. Now get this; I want you to obey me, not to argue with me.You will not talk back to me like this again,ever.Do you understand?’’

‘’R-r-right,’’ Pastor Chiamaka stammered, suddenly tamed.’’Y-y-yes,I do.’’

‘’**Splendid**. So, pastor Chiamaka,let me say what I was going to say if you had let me.’’Pleased by his quick victory, the caller was **inching** back towards polite speech.’’What I was going to say is...’’He stopped.

Pastor Chiamaka waited.

‘’Iwas going to say that it’s best if I keep on initiating all communication between us,’’the caller added.

Pastor Chiamaka did not respond.

‘’Look. You and I are supposed to be working together,

We are on the same mission.’’

This time pastor Chiamaka responded.’’Then why won’t you tell me your real name?’’

‘’I won’t because our mission is still at a delicate stage.’’said the caller.’’For that reason,I’d rather you didn’t know who I really am yet.Until I tell you otherwise, just call me your guide. Needless to say, I won’t let you see my face either, but you will hear my voice. Is there anything else you would like to ask me?’’

‘’Why should I trust you?’’

‘’Ah, yes. Why should you trust me? well, go back to the letter from AGDA. It has the answer. Quote, you are not to have any less faith in him just because he identifies himself to you only by his alias of ‘your guide,’ Unquote.

The reference there is to me, pastor Chiamaka.That is why you should trust me.Okay?’’

Pastor Chiamaka did not answer.

‘’Was that all you were going to ask?’’

Again pastor Chiamaka did not answer.

‘’Fine, let’s go back to way Omega and path Alpha,then.As I said ,AGDA wants you to be fully familiar with both documents. Are you, pastor Chiamaka?’’

‘’Yes,sir.’’.The word ‘sir ‘had slipped out accidentally, but perhaps significantly, to show that pastor Chiamaka had climbed down and accepted a role subordinate to that of the caller.’’Yes,I am,” he added.

1. A part from the mobile phone pastor Chiamaka is using, what other items were contained in the briefcase mentioned before this excerpt? (3marks)

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1. From your knowledge of the text, who is the guide mentioned in this excerpt and what role will he play in The Summit?(2marks)

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1. From your knowledge and that of the text do you think a mobile phone is more secure than a hotel phone contrary to what is alleged by the guide. Explain your answer. (2marks)

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1. Describe the character traits of both the guide and Pastor Chiamaka as brought out in this excerpt. (4marks)

The guide

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Pastor Chiamaka

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1. ‘’Fine, let’s go back to Way Omega and path ‘Alpha.’ ’Briefly explain how Way Omega came about using your knowledge of the text. (2marks)

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1. Describe the tone the guide adopts when addressing Pastor Chiamaka. (3marks)

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1. Identify and explain two themes highlighted in this excerpt. (4marks)

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1. Briefly explain what happens immediately after the events in this excerpt(2marks)

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1. “Were a need to do so to arise, I would contact you’’the caller told him’(Rewrite in reported speech) (1mark)

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1. Explain the meaning of each of the following as used in the passage. (2marks)
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*3.Read the poem below and then answer the questions that follow.(20 marks)*

Kanyiriri village of Toil,

Village of unending work.

Like a never dying spring,

Old women dark and bent

Trudge along with their hoes

To plots of weedy maize.

Young wives with donkeys

From cockcrow to setting of the sun

Go about their timeless duties,

Their scraggy figures like bows set in a row,

Plod up and down the rolling village farms

With loads on their backs

And babies tied to their bellies.

In the fields all day they toil

Stirring up the soil with hands and knives

Like chicken looking for worms.

Nothing here seems to sit still.

Even the village church is like a favourite well

Where the ‘revivalist’ with their loudspeakers

Never cease calling people

To confess their sins and drink the water of life

At dawn, men ride away leaving the women folk

To fend for the bonny goats and the crying children.

a) Briefly explain what the poem is about. (3marks)

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b) Identify one instance of irony in the poem. (2marks)

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c) Apart from irony, identify and illustrate two other poetic devices. (4marks)

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d) With appropriate textual evidence, describe the economic status of Kanyariri. (2marks)

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e) What picture of womanhood is portrayed through the poem? (2marks)

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f) Describe the poet’s attitude towards the revivalist. (3mks)

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g) Why do you think the word revivalist has been put in quotes? (2marks)

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h) Explain the contrast in the last line of the poem. (2marks)

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4.a) Rewrite the following sentences according to the instructions given after each. (Do not change the meaning) (3marks)

1. The prices of land were very competitive and he only bought an acre. (Begin: So....)

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1. Kariuki has been transporting the sick and injured passengers to hospital. (Begin:The sick....)

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1. Ralph sings in the school choir. (Change into a question)

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b) Choose the correct words or phrases from the ones given in brackets to fill in the blank spaces. (3 marks)

(i) Uncle Jeff gave \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (my twin sister and I/me and my twin sister) mobile phones on our birthday.

(ii) She works harder than\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. (he/him)

(iii) (He/Him) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_being the eldest in the family, has to shoulder all the responsibility.

(c) Fill in the blank spaces using the correct article. (2marks)

(i) Maryline is good at playing\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_guitar.

(ii) An album like this is something of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_unicorn.

(d)Fill in the blank spaces using the correct form of the words in brackets.(2mks)

(i) The criminals\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_behavior in court appalled the judge (scandal)

(ii) The elections results were upheld because of the officers\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_(partial)

e) Replace the underlined with a suitable phrasal verb formed from the word given in brackets. (3marks)

(i) The bereaved families **accepted**their loss and moved on. (get)

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(ii) My mother asked me why I was so **angry.** (work)

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(ii) It was clear we had **invented**the whole story. (make)

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f) Explain the difference in meaning in the following two sentences.(2 marks)

i) The thief ran so fast that I could not catch up with him.

ii) The thief ran fast so that I could not catch up with him.

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