

KAPSABET HIGH SCHOOL

101/2

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ENGLISH

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Paper 2

(Comprehension, Literary Appreciation and Grammar)

TIME: 2½ HOURS

101/2 MARKING SCHEME

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a. Why are good writing skills important? (3marks)

Good writing skills allow you to communicate your message with clarity and ease to a far larger audience than through face-to-face or telephone conversations.

b. What effect does poor writing skills have? (2mks)

Poor writing skills create poor first impressions and many readers will have an immediate negative reaction if they spot a spelling or grammatical mistake.

c. In a paragraph of not more than 50 words, summarize the steps involved in good writing. (5 marks)

Rough copy

...reread your work

Have your work proof read by someone else

Double check the spelling

Factor in your audience and medium of pub.....

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Final copy

Good writing requires us to reread our work just to be sure. Since our brain works faster than our hands it is therefore advisable for our work to be proof read by someone else. Double checking the spelling will also ensure that we avoid ambiguity brought by homophonic words. Factoring in our audience as well as the medium of publishing will also help us.

d. Explain the irony in paragraph three. (3 marks)

...it is ironical thatwhen anyone can be their own publisher, we see more and more examples of poor writing skills both in print and on the web.....

e. 'The good news is that writing is a skill which can be learned like any other.'

Rewrite beginning with a participle.

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Learned like any other, the good news is that writing is a skill.

- f. Mention four things, apart from grammar, spelling and punctuation that the writer advocates we should remember when writing. (2 marks).
- ✓ audience
 - ✓ Medium
 - ✓ Style /format of writing
 - ✓ Structure
- g. Explain the meaning of the following expressions as they are used in the passage. (4 marks)
- ✓ Counterfeit products -fake goods /unlawful products
 - ✓ Decipher -understand /comprehend
 - ✓ Phishing -obtaining fraudulently
 - ✓ Typographical errors-typing mistakes

2. Except

- a. Ole Kaelo sends Taiyo to call Resian for him. Resian feels hopeful and excited that she is being called to be informed about admission to the university. She thinks that it is her mother or sister who has talked to her father about the matter.
- b. It is ironical for Resian to think that her father is going to tell her about her dream wish of joining Egerton University but he has plans to marry her off to his friend Oloisudori. This is even as he says “your future is very important to me”
- c. He says this because he has plans to marry her to his friend Oloisudori. If this succeeds, his business would be saved because Oloisudori had helped him establish the business and even building his house in Nasila.
- d. Ignorant- she thinks that her father has good news about joining university which is not the case. She says, “That’s it!” She thought triumphantly. “Is it Yeiyo or Taiyo who spoke to you?”

Apprehensive. She replies to her father apprehensively.

Fearful- she is in fear of her father. She sits on a chair far from her father.

e. Determination/optimism. Resian is very much determined to join Egerton University. She thinks it is the reason why her father has called her. "Who between them spoke to you about our enrollment at the Egerton University."

f. After the excerpt, Ole Kaelo hesitates telling Resian what he wanted to tell her and tells her to go to the kitchen. He tells her to tell her mother to come.

g. She asked him who between them had spoken to him about their enrollment at the Egerton University.

h. Suspense. The reader is left in suspense wanting to know why Ole Kaelo had called his daughter.

Dialogue- there is dialogue between Resian and her father. It reveals the strained relationship between daughter and father.

- ✓ Nervously/worriedly/fearfully
- ✓ Sit far away
- ✓ Control herself
- ✓ Troubled/disturbed

3. Poetry

a) The speaker is an observer who explores through the life of prisoners/inmates 1 **1 mk**

b) The poem is talking about the life 1 in prison which is oppressive **2 mks**

c) -Irony 1 - nice fragrance of ammonia

- Rhyme 1 - consignment oppressive

- confinement offensive

- refinement

- Personification 1 - torturous bulb stare vacantly at him 1

- Alliteration 1 - torching, torturous

d) -The cold bites their bones and they chatter their teeth from the chill. 1

-The smell is offensive with fresh human dung. 1

- Vermins bite the inmates unsparingly 1 **3mks**

e) The inmate is in prison because of a certain consignment 1 that he either stole or got lost under his care. 2mks

f) Regretful 1 - he reflects about the consignment that landed him in the cells 1

Thoughtful - he (the fresh inmate) sits thoughtfully. 2mks

Agonizing - he agonises at the long time 1 that he will be in prison. The clock ticks too slowly.

g) i) That resulted/led to his confinement

ii) The inmates do everything including long calls in the cell. "The gent invites". **2mks**

h) The steel door suggests that the security was tight 1 and the inmates could not escape
2mks

4. Grammar

a) **Re write the following sentences according to the instructions given after each. Do not change the meaning. (3mks)**

i) We would not have succeeded if David had not helped us. (Begin: Were.....)

Were it not for David's help, we would have not succeeded.

ii) You should not leave your house unlocked at any time. (Begin: At.....)

At no time should you leave your house unlocked

The cow produces a lot of milk. (supply a question tag)

The cow produces a lot of milk, doesn't it?

b) **Join the following sentences using a relative pronoun. (2mks)**

Yesterday I met a very beautiful girl. I had never met her before

I yesterday I met a very beautiful girl whom I have never met before

ii) Mrs. Hart left her baby with her neighbor. She could rely on her.

Mrs Hart left her baby with a neighbor whom she could rely on

c.) Use the right form of words in brackets. (3mks)

- i) The modern world today has many **sophisticated** form of communication.
(Sophistication)
- ii) There are several factors which contribute to a health...**existence**(exist)
- iii) Victims of drug abuse become social...**misfits**(fit)

d) Use a dash (-) to punctuate the following sentences where necessary. (2mks)

- i) The river swept away her one year old child
The river swept away her one-year old baby
- ii) The fallen politician displayed a down to earth attitude to life
The fallen politician displayed a down-to-earth attitude to life

e) Complete the sentences below by filling in the correct prepositions.(3mks)

- i) Fulani is good ...**at**.....Mathematics.
- ii) I was congratulated**on**.....my graduation.
- iii) She did not reply**to**the manager's letter as required.

f) Explain the ambiguity in this sentence. (2mks)

We saw her duck.

We saw her bird-noun

We her dive down -verb