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ORDINARY LEVEL

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MULTIPLE CHOICE QUESTIONS

Duration: One and a Half Hours

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Read the following instructions carefully before you start answering the questions in this paper. Make sure you have a soft HB pencil and an eraser for this paper.

1. USE A SOFT HB PENCIL THROUGHOUT THIS PAPER.
2. DO NOT OPEN THIS BOOKLET UNTIL YOU ARE TOLD TO DO SO.

Before the examination begins:

3. Check that this question booklet is headed "ORDINARY LEVEL – 0535 LITERATURE IN ENGLISH 1"
4. Fill in the information required in the spaces above.
5. Fill in the information required in the spaces provided on the answer sheet using your HB pencil:
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Take care that you do not crease or fold the answer sheet or make any marks on it other than those asked for in these instructions.

How to answer the questions in this paper

6. Answer ALL the 50 questions in this paper.. All questions carry equal marks.
7. Each question has FOUR suggested answers: A, B, C and D. Decide which answer is appropriate. Find the number of the question on the Answer Sheet and draw a horizontal line across the letter to join the square brackets for the answer you have chosen.

For example, if C is your correct answer, mark C as shown below:

[A] [B] ☒ [C] [D]

8. Mark only one answer for each question. If you mark more than one answer, you will score a zero for that question. If you change your mind about an answer, erase the first mark carefully, then mark your new answer.
9. Avoid spending too much time on any one question. If you find a question difficult, move on to the next question. You can come back to this question later.
10. At the end of the examination, the invigilator shall collect the answer sheet first and then the question booklet. DO NOT ATTEMPT TO LEAVE THE EXAMINATION HALL WITH IT.

Turn Over

SECTION A: DRAMA
WILLIAM SHAKESPEARE: MACBETH

1. Witches in *MACBETH* represent:
 - A evil and disorder
 - B deceit and betrayal
 - C prophesy and murder
 - D mystery and distrust

2. "Thane" in the play *MACBETH* means a:
 - A Brave military general
 - B Rebel army general
 - C Brave nobleman
 - D Title of European nobility

3. Before the three witches disappear, they agree to meet Macbeth:
 - A At the battle
 - B At Dunsinane
 - C Upon a heath
 - D At Duncan's castle

Questions 4 and 5 are based on the quotation below.

"Had he not resembled my father
 As he slept I had done 't."

4. The quotation above is made by:
 - A Lady Macduff
 - B Macbeth
 - C Lady Macbeth
 - D Banquo

5. "He" in the quotation above refers to:
 - A Macduff
 - B Duncan
 - C Macbeth
 - D Donalbain

6. When Duncan tells Macbeth:
 "O valiant Cousin! Worthy gentleman,"
 he is being:
 - A fearful
 - B pretentious
 - C appreciative
 - D boastful

7. Killing Duncan to become king shows that Macbeth is:
 - A careful
 - B patriotic
 - C ambitious
 - D courageous

8. To ease the murder of Duncan, Lady Macbeth suggests that they should:
 - A poison his food
 - B disguise Macbeth's soldiers to look like robbers
 - C drug the king's guards
 - D bribe the guards

9. When a character speaks to the audience in the absence of other characters, he/she uses a dramatic device called:
 - A Aside
 - B Soliloquy
 - C Monologue
 - D Parenthesis

10. As Macbeth moves towards the bed-chamber of Duncan with a dagger, he visualises a:
 - A Sword in the air
 - B Dagger in the air
 - C Knife in the air
 - D Cutlass in the air

11. "There is no art to find the mind's construction in the face." This phrase refers to:
 - A the Thane of Cawdor
 - B Lady Macbeth
 - C the Thane of Glamis
 - D Banquo

12. The abnormal behaviour Lady Macbeth exhibits is:
 - A sleep walking and sleep talking
 - B weeping uncontrollably
 - C screaming at the servants
 - D pulling out her hair

13. "They have tied me to a stake. I cannot fly. But bear-like I must fight the course." This statement is made by:
 - A Macbeth
 - B Malcolm
 - C Macduff
 - D Siward

SECTION B. AFRICAN LITERATURE:
THE CROWN OF THORNS: LINUS.T. ASONG

14. Akeukeuor is said to be the god of the gods of the people of:
 - A Mkonoko small monge
 - B konoko small monje
 - C Nkokonoko small monje
 - D Nkokonoko Small Monje

15. The D. O. stumbles on Ntongntong just when he is to post the Chief's letter. This is an instance of:
 - A Coincidence
 - B Situational irony
 - C Coincidence and chance
 - D Suspense

16. When Achiebefuo discovers that he has been tricked by D. O, Martin into the theft and sale of , Akeukeuor, he decides to:
 - A tender an apology to the tribe
 - B commit suicide
 - C revenge on the D. O
 - D recover the stolen statue

17. The person who influences the elders to change Fuo- Ndee's will is:

A Ngangabe
B Beckongncho
C Ngobefuo
D The D.O

18. Chief Nchindia goes to collect Anyi's bride price at:

A Small Monje
B Likume
C Sowa
D The Coast

19. The Novel, The Crown Of Thorns opens with:

A a flashback
B conflict among the villagers
C the disappearance of Akeukeuor
D rhetorical questions

20. Antony is not crowned chief mainly because he:

A returns two days before his catching ceremony
B refuses to marry the bride chosen for him
C marries a Munchi girl
D is assimilated into the white man's culture

21. He intercepts the letters between Nchinda and Antony:

A Ntongtong
B Ngobefuo
C Martin
D Achiebefuo

22. "My brothers and the chief, you know that before a dog impregnated its mother, it all began like a joke." This statement is a/an:

A metaphor
B irony
C proverb
D hyperbole

Questions 23 and 24 are based on the quotation below.

"There had always existed between the natives of Small Monje on the one hand and the government and Roman Catholic Church on the other hand, a great rift."

23. The above statement suggests a situation of:

A Conflict
B Disagreement
C Fight
D Misunderstanding

24. The word "rift" in the passage above means:

A Conflict
B Disagreement
C Fight
D Misunderstanding

25. "This is spittle which we have spat above our heads. One day it will fall back..." This statement is made by:

A The D.O
B Achiebefuo
C Ngobefuo
D Ngangabe

SECTION C. POETRY:

MODERN ANTHOLOGY OF POETRY: HANS BOKWE.

26. In the poem "When We Were Young" the poet Takwi is:

A Nostalgic
B Regretful
C Advisory
D Political

27. "If the ripest must fall first, as they say, how come the untimely fall of the green fruit..." The title of the poem from which the above lines have been taken is:

A "Transition"
B "The Solitary Reaper"
C "The Kola Nut Ritual"
D "Indifferent Nature"

28. In "Animals" animals are admired by the poet for being:

A greedy, self centred, rebellious
B calm, composed, self-satisfied
C obedient, disciplined, observant
D hardworking, loving, industrious

Questions 29 and 30 are based on this extract from the poem "Transition"

"When trees shake off leaves from their foliage?"

29. The quotation above is an example of:

A Hyperbole
B Personification
C Metaphor
D Simile

30. The author of the poem from which the excerpt is taken is:

A Focho Gladys
B Mathew Takwi
C Joshua Akemecha
D Edward Ayugbo

31. "Menchum Falls" is a poem written by:

A Mathew Takwi
B Hans Bokwe Itoe
C Albert Sama
D Shadrack Abanasom

32. From the poem "If It Is True", the phrase "the world" refers to:

A the spherical earth
B the creatures on earth
C humans on earth
D the ways of man

Turn Over

33. Jonathan Kariara's "Grass will Grow" is a:
 A prayer to God
 B wish for good tidings
 C desperate cry
 D hopeful dream

- A Roger
 B Sam
 C Simon
 D Jack

34. "To Celia" by Ben Johnson is an example of a/an:
 A Ballad
 B Sonnet
 C Elegy
 D Ode

35. The meaning of the expression "Salley Gardens" in the poem "Down by the Salley Gardens" can be referred to as:
 A beautiful garden
 B clean garden
 C romantic garden
 D lover's garden

36. Akemecha in "God's Tears" urges mankind to:
 A enjoy the sunshine from the east
 B enjoy the evening breeze like Eve did
 C change from his ways
 D pray for forgiveness

37. "If It Is True" is written by:
 A Kwesi Brew
 B Akem Henry
 C Njie Kale
 D Richard Ntiri

38. The maiden in the poem "The Solitary Reaper" sings about:
 A Battles
 B Wars
 C Problems
 D Crisis

SECTION D: PROSE:

LORD OF THE FLIES: WILLIAM GOLDING.

39. In order to be rescued, Ralph suggests that they should:
 A build a hut
 B vote for a leader
 C exploit the land
 D build a signal fire

Ralph asks Jack to be their leader though he is not voted. This portrays Ralph as:

- A peace-loving
 B cooperative
 C foolish
 D intelligent

41. Ralph's reaction when Piggy introduces himself Evokes:
 A satire
 B irony
 C pathos
 D humour

42. The character who stands as an antagonist to Ralph is:

43. The reasonable thing Ralph does at the very beginning is that he:
 A calls a meeting as suggested by Piggy
 B discovers the Conch
 C blows the Conch
 D accepts to be Chief

44. The naval officer who finally rescues the boys from total disaster in the Island could be seen as a symbol of:
 A godliness
 B British values
 C human kindness
 D refined morality

45. Ralph is elected leader:
 A after finding the conch
 B before finding the conch
 C during the search for the conch
 D years before the conch was found

46. The first two survivors to appear in the forest are:
 A Piggy and Simon
 B Roger and Jack
 C Ralph and Piggy
 D Simon and Ralph

47. Jack insists that they have rules but turns out to be ruthless. This is an example of:
 A Euphemism
 B Irony
 C Oxymoron
 D Simile

48. Jack Merridew challenges the leadership of Ralph in the following statement. "He isn't a proper Chief." This is because:
 A Ralph is a coward
 B Ralph is not a hunter
 C Jack is ambitious and envious of Ralph
 D Ralph just gives orders and expects others to obey for nothing

49. The phrase "proper chief" means:
 A Real leader
 B Rightful ruler
 C Legitimate ruler
 D Correct ruler

50. The Conch in Lord of the Flies symbolizes:
 A Solidarity
 B Freedom
 C Domination
 D Power

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