FORM 3; CLOZE TEST REVISION

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Compilation of Possible Questions in English & Literature Likely to be examined in KCSE.

A Special Analysis of Prediction Questions that may be Tested in KCSE from this Topic in Form 3.

ENGLISH & LITERATURE

SERIES 1

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CLOZE TEST

1: There are (1)…… people who have never known the real value of ironing clothes before use. These people find ironing a (2)……. activity in the house and it continues daily without anybody ever giving it much thought. By wearing clothes (3)……. are well ironed, we look smart. There is definitely a great (4)…… between clothes that are not ironed and those that are well ironed. Ironing is one of the most important activities as (5)…… as promotion of personal hygiene is concerned. When clothes are hung (6)…… To dry, they are exposed to insects which could lay eggs or leave poisons that are (7)…….. To us. Ironing protects us (8)……. some diseases. (9)…… Clothes are not ironed before wearing, we are likely to (10)……. From various skin problems such as skin rashes and irritations.

2. Fill in the blank spaces with the most appropriate word (10mks)

Although (1) _____President and prime minister effectively (2) _____ a ceasefire (3) _____they (4)_____on the telephone (5) _____ Wednesday night and asked their lieutenants to cease hostility ___6relationship may not b e out of the woods (7) _____.The President (8) _____Prime Minister differed when Raila (9)_____ the suspension of (10)___William Ruto of Agriculture and Sam Ongeri of Education a week ago.

(*Adapted from The Standard Newspaper*)

3.**Read the passage below and fill in each blank space with an appropriate word.**

The (1)…… common way for germs to spread from one person to another or from animals to people is (2) …… drinking water.Drinking water from a tap is not possible for everybody (3) …….. wells and springs can be kept clean. Wells need a fence around them to prevent animals from falling (4) …….. People might not notice that there was a dead animal in the well. Then it would rot and every one would become (5) …… from the eater. (6) …….. can put germs into springs and water-holes with their feet and tongues if they drink from them. Springs and water-holes need a (7) …….. around them too. Best of all, drinking water sources should be covered and water taken (8) …… with a pump. People must not use the grass or

brushes near a source of drinking water as (9) …… The (10) …….. can easily be washed into the water by the rain.

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

By far the (1) _____ obstacle to success, in my view, is a poor understanding of people. Most careers (2) _____ working with other people. You can have great academic intelligence (3) _____ still lack social intelligence - the ability to be (4) _____ good listener, to be sensitive (5) _____ others, to give and take criticism well.

If people do not like you, they may help you fail. On the other hand, you can get (6) _____ with serious mistakes if you are socially intelligent. How are you when it comes to working with people? Are you genuine and authentic, or do you (7) _____ put up a front? Do you listen to (8) _____, or do you do most of the talking? Do you expect everyone else to confirm to your wishes, your schedule and your agenda, or do you look for ways to meet people on their (9) _____? If you haven't learnt to get along with people, you will always be fighting a battle to succeed. (10) _____, making people - skills a strength will take you farther than any other skill you develop.

5.Read the passage below and fill each blank space with the most appropriate word. (10 marks)

It is an indisputable fact that agriculture (1) _____ the backbone of the economy. It is therefore (2) _____ that we stop over-relying on the rain-fed agriculture. Israel is a classic (3) _____ of a country that has reclaimed its deserts and put them

(4) _____ use. Land which was (5) _____ 'useless' has been turned around and (6) _____ useful. Egypt which solely depends on (7) _____ River Nile is a leading exporter of fruits and cereals. For our country to (8) _____ self-sufficiency in food production and to get a (9) _____ for export, land should be utilized to the (10) _____. This is only possible with irrigation.

6.Stress, intonation and pronunciation are invaluable aspects of 1._____ for any fluent 2._____ of the English language. Any handicap 3._____ these

three areas adversely affects the 4._____ of one's speech. One 5._____ hope to achieve competence in both spoken and 6._____ English if one has not mastered stress, intonation 7._____ pronunciation. In this book, the 8._____ have endeavoured to guide the reader to see the possibilities of working 9._____ their effective use of the English language.
With the rising popularity and usage, the correct use of the English language has been 10._____ compromised.

7. Read the passage below and fill in the blanks with the most appropriate word.

The food we eat seems to have profound i]……..on our health. Although science has made enormous ii] ……..in making food more fit to eat, it has, at the same time, made mercy foods unfit to eat. Somme research had shown that perhaps 80% of all human illness are related to diet and 40% of cancer is related to the diet as iii] ……..especially cancer of the colon. Different culture are more prone to iv]…….certain illness because of the food that is characteristic in these cultures v]…….. food related to illness not a new discovery. In 1945, government researchers realized that nitrates and nitrites, commonly used to preserve colour cancer. Yet, these carcinogenic additives remain in our food and it becomes more difficult all the times to know which things on the packaging label of processed food are helpful or harmful. The additives which we eat, are not all so direct. Farmers often give penicillin to beef or poultry. And because of this, penicillin has been found in the milk of treated cows. Sometimes similar drugs are vi]…….to animals not for medicinal vii] ……. but for financial viii] ……. the farmers are simply trying to father the animal in order to ix]…….. a higher price on the market. Although the food and drug administration (FDA) tried repeatedly to control these procedures, the x]…….continue.

8.Read the passage below and fill in each space with an appropriate word

We are on the verge 1……..an economic renewal if we consider the recent 2 ……of mineral resources in several parts of the country. There have been discoveries of titanium in

Kwale, oil and water in Turkana,3 coal in Kitui. Kenya has joined the 4 of other countries in Africa endowed with natural resources.
These discoveries should provoke 5 to consider 6 questions: How well are the resources 7 to be managed? What mechanisms are we putting in place to promote accountability and transparency in the 8 of these resources? Given ourtrack 9 in managing public funds, how 10 we assure the citizens of accountability by properly managing the natural resources?

9.Fill in the blank spaces in the following passage with the most appropriate word. (10mks)

The devolved system of government that Kenya 1……after the March 2013 general elections holds a lot of 2……to unlock the country's economic, social and political fortunes 3……have been stifled 4……..a centralized system of government since independence. Devolution will result in 5……development in all parts of Kenya. The central system of government that was in place 6……fifty years resulted in serious 7……..of large parts of the country 8……..Northern Kenya. Devolution has in the last two years delivered encouraging 9……in many counties.10……..include purchase of ambulances, road construction equipment, availing medicine in hospitals among others.

10.Fill in the blank space with the most appropriate words.

A new research title "Underage Drinking in Kenya" has (1) _____ that nearly one third of form four students aged below 18 years take alcohol (2) _____. As our society ponders this sad (3) _____, the urgent message to children who are taking alcohol
(4) _____, do not drink another sip. Advice to those children is to strongly say "no."
(5) _____ irresponsible behavior to alcoholism, there are many (6) _____ effects of alcohol. It is wrong and illegal for children to drink alcohol.
The report also states that 46 percent of the children receive (7) _____ first pint from friends and (8) _____ .Do you offer alcohol to child? As a parent or guardian, do you nurture (9) _____ ? How much time do you

spend with them? Notably, (10) _____ of guidance and supervision are stimuli to underage drinking.

11. Fill in the blanks with the most suitable word.

The purchasing of a motor vehicle or (1) _____ a driving licence is a satisfying achievement for most Kenyans. Few, however, (2) _____ that their achievement can, and (3) _____ does, amount to a passport to prison. A driver in prison? Yes, an individual can be (4) _____ to jail even when he is not driving.

To curb the increasing (5) _____ of accidents in the country, the courts are taking a very (6) _____view and as a result sentences are being (7) _____ including imprisonment.

Under the (8) _____ Act, any person who causes the death of another, be it a passenger in the driver's car or a(9) _____ crossing the road, or another motorist, by reckless driving or speeding or even leaving any vehicle on a road in such a position as to be dangerous can be (10) _____ for the offence of causing death.

12.Read the passage below and fill in each blank space with an appropriate word

Alcohol impacts people and societies in different (1)_____ and is determined by the (2) _____ of alcohol consumed, the pattern of drinking, and, on rare occasions, the quality of alcohol (3)_____. Alcohol is a psychoactive substance and its harmful use is known (4) _____ have dependence - producing properties and cause (5) _____ than 200 diseases among drinkers as well as devastating effects to innocent victims such as unborn children.

Drinking alcohol (6)_____ pregnancy can lead to miscarriage, preterm birth, still birth, spontaneous abortion, and contribute to a range of disabilities known (7) _____ foetal alcohol spectrum disorders (FASD). FASD is an umbrella term (8) _____ to an array of conditions involving impairments of the growth and development of the central (9)_____ system caused by (10) _____ intake during pregnancy.

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There is this bizarre preoccupation with 1…… class among us such 2…….. what happened at Langa'ta was bound to happen. Our greed 3…… wealth and standing considers nothing sacred, nothing immoral, nothing offensive to everyone, which is why some people were wondering why the children were protesting 4…… they were supposed to be in class! Our preoccupation with private academies for our children is partly what made the "private developer" target public school 5……., only that for the "developer'", the police who came to secure the interests of one against many used tear gas on children.

If most of us decided to 6…….. our children to public schools and worked collectively to make them better, chances are this particular "private developer" and many 7…….. would avoid school land for fear of reaction. But many of us have 8…….. to this mess by avoiding public facilities— schools, hospitals 9…….. even parks — because using them does not speak 10……..of our social standing.

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