LIVESTOCK PRODUCTION V

(Poultry)

KCSE QUICK REVISION

Compilation of Possible Questions in Agriculture Likely to be Examined in KCSE.

A Special Analysis of Prediction Questions that may be Tested in KCSE from this Topic in Form 4.

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This topic entails the following:

- ✓ ***Identification of parts of an egg.***
- ✓ ***Selection of eggs for incubation***
- ✓ ***Identification of suitable sources for chicks.***
- ✓ ***Descriptions of broodiness***
- ✓ ***Description of condition for incubation***
- ✓ ***Description of rearing systems***
- ✓ ***Categories of poultry feds according to age-of birds***
- ✓ ***Stating causes of stress and vices in poultry and control measures.***
- ✓ ***Marketing of eggs and poultry meat.***
- ✓ ***Selection, sorting and grading of eggs.***

The following relevant questions and their answers in this topic will greatly motivate and help the user to comprehend and understand the required concepts and practices.

1. Give three methods of controlling cannibalism in a flock of layers in deep litter system.

2. List four factors that should be considered when grading eggs for marketing.

3. a) Describe the artificial rearing of layer chicks from day old up to the end of brooding.

b) Describe the characteristics of a poor layer, which should be considered during culling

4. Outline any four maintenance practices, which should be carried out in a deep litter poultry house. **(2mks)**

5. Give four conditions that reduce the quality of eggs for hatching. **(2mks)**

6. Give four measures that can control egg eating by hens in a deep litter system **(2mks)**

7. a) State four observations on the behaviour of chicks which would indicate that the temperature of a brooder is too high. **(4mks)**

b) Give four advantages of deep litter system of poultry keeping. **(4mks)**

8. List six qualities of eggs suitable for incubation **(3mks)**

9. Describe the steps to be taken in maintaining hygiene in a deep litter poultry house. **(5mks)**

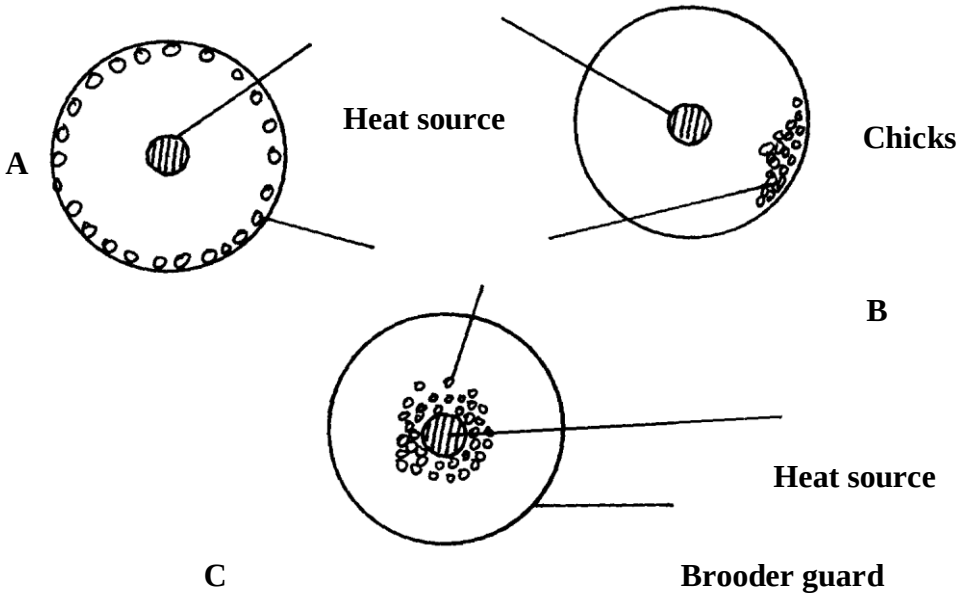
10. A deep little poultry house measures 9mx3m. Suppose the amount of space allowed for one bird is 0.27m^2.Calculate the number of birds that can be kept comfortably in the house. Show your working

11. Give **two** functions of isthmus in female bird

12. Give **four** features of a good laying nest

13. State **four** qualities of marketable eggs

14. Study the diagram showing the behaviour of chicks in a brooder and answer the questions that follow:-



(a) State the behaviour of chicks in **A, B** and **C**

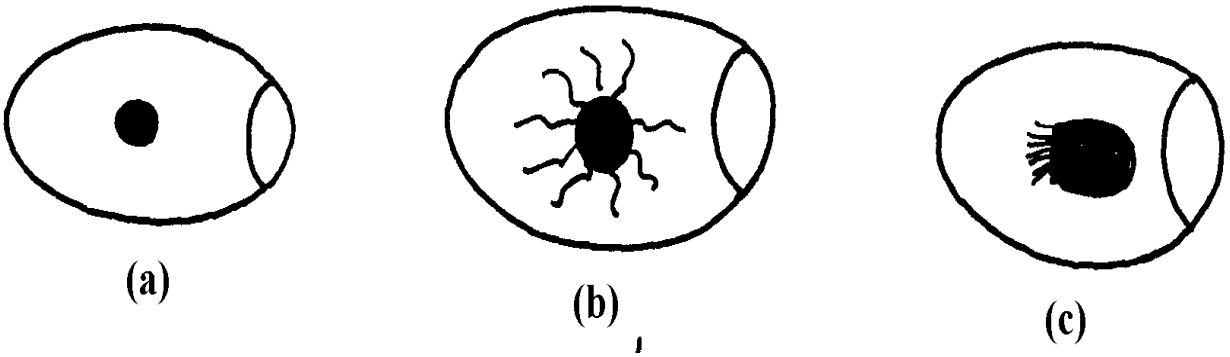
(b) Explain why the brooder guard is rounded as shown in the diagram

15. Mention **six** characteristics of an egg selected for incubation

16. Describe the management of layers in deep litter system

17. State **four** reasons for egg breaking and drinking by layers in a deep litter rearing system

18. Below are diagram showing condition of eggs seven days after incubation study them and answer the questions

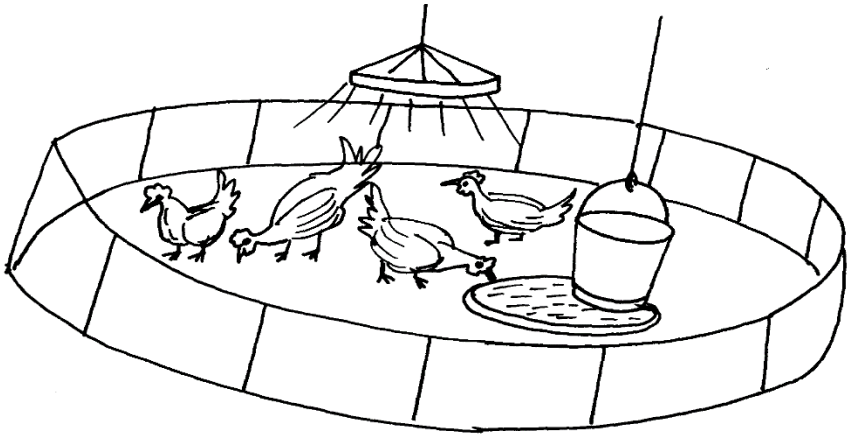


a) Identify the conditions of eggs

b) Identify the egg which suitable for incubation and give a reasons for your answer

c) Name the practice which used to determine the state of eggs above

19. The diagram **U** below illustrates an activity carried by a poultry farmer keeping layers. Study the diagram carefully and answer the questions that follow



a) Identify the activity carried out using the set up illustrated in diagram **U**

b) List down **four** preparations that should be carried out structure **U** before arrival of day old chicks

c) List down **one** behavioristic activity which would indicate that the chicks are under stress

20. Give **two** reasons for using litter in a poultry house

21. Give **two** reasons why it is important to castrate animals when they are still young

22. (a) Give **two** reasons why dehorning is carried out in farm animals

(b) State **four** methods of dehorning livestock

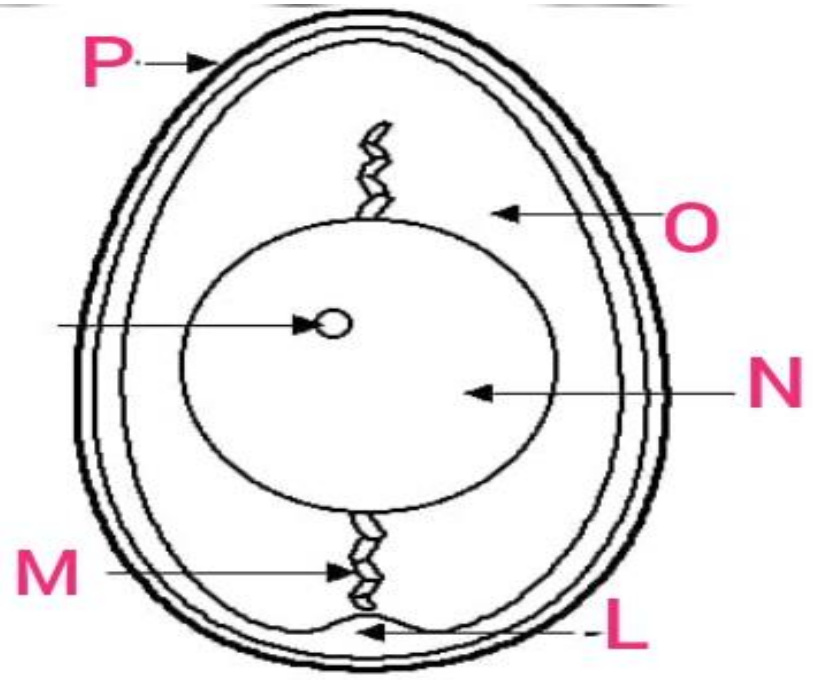
23. State **four** abnormalities of eggs that can be detected during egg candling.

24. Describe the management of day old chicks in a deep litter system from preparation of brooder up to eight (8)weeks old

25. a) Describe the management practices of a gilt from weaning to the time of furrowing

b) State **five** factors to consider in selecting a gilt for breeding stock.

26. Study the diagram of an egg be1ow and answer the questions that fol1ow:



i) Name the parts labeled **N, O** and **P**

ii) State the functions of the parts **M** and **L**

iii) Why should the egg be turned during incubation

27. State **three** reactions of chicks in a brooder which has higher temperature than normal.

28. Give **three** types of bedding material a poultry farmer may use in deep litter rearing of layers

29. Give **two** properties of good eggs for incubation

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