

**ADDIS ABABA CITY GOVERNMENT KOLFE KERANYO SUB CITY
EDUCATION OFFICE ENGLISH MODEL EXAMINATION FOR GRADE 8TH**

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TIME ALLOWED: 60 MINUTES

DIRECTIONS:

THIS EXAM BOOKLET CONTAIN A TOTAL OF 60 MULTIPLE CHOICE TYPE ITEMS, ALL ITEMS HAVE EQUAL MARKS. EACH QUESTION HAS FOUR ALTERNATIVES; FROM THESE ALTERNATIVES SELECT THE BEST ANSWER. THEN MARK YOUR CHOICE ON THE SEPARATE ANSWER SHEET YOU ARE PROVIDED. TO MARK YOUR ANSWER; BLACKEN THE RECTANGLE BELOW THE LETTER OF YOUR CHOICE WITH A PENCIL. IF YOU CHOOSE CHOICE “C” FOR EXAMPLE, MARK THE THIRD SPACE LIKE THE FOLLOWING:

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PART ONE: READING PASSAGE AND COMPREHENSION

Instruction: For questions 1 to 7, read the passage and answer the question that follows.

Reading Passage 1

Social media has become an **undeniable** force in our lives, fundamentally changing the way we connect, share information, and consume news. Platforms like Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram have created vast online communities where people can interact with friends, family, and even strangers who share similar interests. This unprecedented level of connection has empowered individuals and facilitated social movements, but it has also raised concerns about privacy, misinformation, and the potential for social isolation.

The rise of social media has coincided with the decline of traditional media outlets like newspapers and television. People increasingly rely on social media for their news updates, often encountering information curated by friends and algorithms rather than professional journalists. While this can provide a more diverse range of viewpoints, **it** also increases the risk of exposure to biased or inaccurate information.

Looking ahead, the future of social media is likely to involve a continued focus on personalization, with platforms tailoring content and experiences to individual users. There will also be ongoing efforts to address issues like cyber bullying and the spread of disinformation. As social media continues to evolve, it's crucial to develop responsible habits for interacting with these platforms to maximize their benefits while minimizing their potential downsides.

(Source: <https://www.pewresearch.org/topic/internet-technology/platforms-services/social-media/>)

1. What is one concern raised about social media in the passage?
 - A. The rise of video games
 - B. The spread of false information
 - C. The cost of internet access
 - D. The lack of online communities
2. Social media platforms like Facebook and Instagram allow users to connect with:
 - A. Only celebrities
 - B. Only family members
 - C. Friends, family, and people with similar interests
 - D. Only professional journalists
3. What is the MAIN IDEA of the passage?
 - A. Traditional media is making a comeback
 - B. Social media has no impact on our lives
 - C. Social media offers only benefits with no drawbacks
 - D. Social media has significantly changed how we connect and consume information.

PART FOUR: READING PASSAGE AND COMPREHENSION

Instruction: Read the following passage carefully and answer questions 17-22 according to the information given in the passage.

Reading Passage II

Once upon a time, there was a family who lived in a small village. They were not wealthy, but they always had enough to eat and a roof over their heads. One day, the father of the family came home from work with news that a neighbor down the street had fallen ill and could no longer work. The family didn't know what they could do to help.

As they sat around the dinner table that night, the mother suggested that they could donate some of their **surplus** food to the neighbor's family. The father thought that was a great idea, and so they put together a basket of rice, beans, vegetables, and some fruit from their garden. **They** also included a note wishing their neighbor a speedy recovery.

The next day, the family delivered the basket to their neighbor's doorstep. The neighbor was overwhelmed with gratitude and thanked the family for their kindness. Word quickly spread throughout the village about the family's act of **generosity**, and soon other families started food and providing support to this neighbor and others in need.

Through their simple act of kindness, this family sparked a movement of charity in their village. It just goes to show that charity truly does begin at home—by taking care of those closest to us, we can inspire others to do the same. And together, we can make a real difference in the world.

(<https://medium.com/>: by John Lucas)

17. What does the pronoun 'They' in paragraph 2 line 4 refers to?
A. The neighbor B. food items C. the father and the mother D. father
18. The word **surplus** paragraph 2 line 2 refers to:
A. delicious B. unique C. excess D. ordinary
19. How did the family support their neighbor?
A. donating some of their surplus food C. giving money
B. Providing medicine D. taking him to hospital
20. The word **generosity** in paragraph 3 line 3 refers to:
A. selfishness B. greediness C. stinginess D. kindness
21. What were the food items that were delivered to the neighbor?
A. ground nut, rice, beans and vegetables.
B. some fruits, rice, vegetables and beans.
C. vegetables, some fruits, barely and beans
D. rice, beans, vegetables and crops.
22. What is the best title for the above passage?
A. Importance of helping people C. Generosity and love
B. Social life D. Charity begins at home

PART FIVE: GRAMMAR

Instruction: For item 23-41, choose the one that best completes each sentence.

23. Water _____ most of the earth's surface.
A. covers B. is covered C. covered D. are covered
24. It is a big factory, five hundred people _____ there.
A. employ B. were employed C. employed D. are employed
25. My new apartment is _____ than my old one.
A. most wider B. more wider C. wider D. wider than
26. The Grand Canyon is one of the _____ natural wonders of the world.
A. wide B. more wide C. widest D. most wide
27. Your cold seems quite worse tonight. I think you _____ stay in bed tomorrow.
A. have B. must C. have better D. had better
28. Your friend has scored 100% in English. He _____ be very brilliant.
A. should B. must C. may D. ought to
29. Aster _____ her finger while she was lighting the charcoal.
A. burnt B. has burnt C. was burning D. burns
30. I _____ English for 8 years. Then I quit.
A. have taught B. taught C. has taught D. teach
31. I saw my friend at the store yesterday. She _____ groceries.
A. buys B. bought C. was buying D. will buy
32. That is the equipment _____ I recommended to the patients.
A. whose B. where C. who D. which
33. Please, call that person outside _____ application is here.
A. who B. which C. whose D. when
34. _____ they _____ dinner when you arrived?
A. Do/have B. Was/having C. Did/have D. Were /having
35. While the mechanic was fixing the car's engine, his assistant _____ the tires.
A. was changing B. changes C. were changing D. was changed
36. My sister _____ tea with bread for breakfast.
A. has never drunk C. never have drunk
B. never have drunk D. never has drunk
37. If I lived in a warmer climate, I _____ my own vegetables.
A. grow B. would grow C. will grow D. would have grown
38. I _____ that camera if it _____ too much.
A. will buy/doesn't cost C. will buy/didn't cost
B. would have bought/didn't cost D. would buy/doesn't cost
39. The _____ scientist made a groundbreaking discovery.
A. brilliantly B. brillianting C. brilliant D. brilliants
40. How _____ can a cheetah run?
A. quickly B. quiker C. quick D. quickest

41. A: It's raining outside!

B: "You _____ to bring an umbrella."

A. should

B. ought

C. had better

D. must

PART SIX: SPEAKING

Instruction: for items 42-45, choose the one which best completes the remaining part of the dialogue given below.

42. Hana: How long does it take to escape from the traffic jam?

Lidya: _____

A. Traffic jam happens every day.

C. Mostly traffic jam occurs in Ethiopia.

B. At least half an hour.

D. I was late yesterday because of traffic jam.

43. Director: Do you agree that children should bring a mobile phone to school?

Teacher: _____. It seems to me they should bring a mobile phone in case they need to call their parents in an emergency.

A. I am not so sure about that

C. I totally agree

B. Absolutely not

D. let me agree to disagree

44. Ahmed: _____

Hirut: To prevent disease and to become healthy.

A. How often do you keep your personal hygiene?

B. What do you mean by personal hygiene?

C. Do you keep your personal hygiene?

D. Why do you keep your personal hygiene?

45. Tourist: Excuse me, can you tell me how to get to the museum?

Local: Sure! _____

A. Go straight for two blocks and turn left.

B. It's a short walk, about 10 minutes.

C. Why you came here?

D. Oh, that's a great museum!

PART SEVEN: PUNCTUATION AND CAPITALIZATION

Direction: For items 46-49 choose the sentence that is correctly punctuated and capitalized sentences.

46. A. Women's right should be respected.

C. women' right should be respected.

B. womens' right should be respected.

D. womens's right should be respected.

47. Which one of the following is wrongly punctuated?

A. what did he inform you?

B. He couldn't tell us what he did yesterday.

C. What lovely eyes you have?

D. He did what he wanted.

48. Which sentence is correctly capitalized?
- A. my sister Loves to read novels.
 - B. my Sister Loves To Read Novels.
 - C. My Sister loves To read Novels.
 - D. My sister loves to read novels.
49. A. Samuel said, "Does she go to market every Sunday?"
 B. Samuel said, "does she go to market every Sunday?"
 C. Samuel said, "Does she go to market every Sunday?"
 D." Samuel said, does she go to market every Sunday."

PART EIGHT: SPELLING

DIRECTION: For items 50-52, choose the word that is correctly spelled.

50. A. receive B. rceive C. receve D. receiv
 51. A. scince B. sience C. science D. scieinse
 52. A. haygeine B. hiygiene C. haygien D. hygiene

PART NINE: JUMBLED WORDS AND SENTENCES

DIRECTIONS: Items 53 -56 are about arranging words and sentences so as to get grammatically sentences and coherent paragraph. Read each carefully and choose the correct answer accordingly.

53. hands/ my/ I/ wash/ and / face/ morning/ every
 A. I wash my hands and face every morning.
 B. I wash hands my and face every morning.
 C. I wash my hands and every face morning.
 D. I wash every my hands and face morning.
54. obey/ our/ we/ parents/ must
 A. We our parents must obey. C. We our must parents obey.
 B. We parents our must obey. D. We must obey our parents.
55. exercise/ daily /important/ is/ why/to
 A. why is it important to exercise daily?
 B. is it important why daily to exercise?
 C. why it important is daily to exercise?
 D. why is it to important exercise daily?
56. creativity/ to/ ways/ many/ are/ there/encourage
 A. Many ways are to encourage there creativity.
 B. There are many ways to encourage creativity.
 C. There are ways to many encourage creativity.
 D. There are many ways encourage to creativity.

PART TEN: LETTER WRITING

Direction: For items 57-59, choose the correct answer based on the letter given below.

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Dear Tola

Great news! I have just won 10,000 birr in a lottery. What do you think should I do with the money? Kibrom thinks, I should buy present for everyone, I 'm not sure. Ahmed thinks, I ought to save the money that's boring. Perhaps I should start business. Please, let me know what you think.

R

Sena

57. Which part of the letter is missing in the place of 'G'?
- A. salutation B. address C. date D. sender's name
58. Which part of the letter is missing in the place of 'R'?
- A. the address B. the farewell C. the greeting D. the date
59. Who wrote the letter?
- A. Sena B. Kibrom C. Tola D. Ahmed

PART ELEVEN: WRITING

Instruction: For item 60, read the four sentences below and choose the answer that shows a meaningful order.

60. Which order shows the logical flow of idea?
1. These playful friends are fun to have around!
 2. They purr when they are happy and feel safe.
 3. They come in many colors and sizes.
 4. Cats are clean animals and like to keep themselves tidy.
 5. Cute and cuddly, cats are popular pets.
- A. 3,2,1,4,5 B. 2,4,1,5,3 C. 1,5,3,2,4 D. 5,3,4,2,1