



MINESEC/DECC

Time: 2 hours

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BEPC

SESSION 2007

ANGLAIS

ANSWER ALL THE QUESTIONS.

SECTION A GRAMMAR 10 MARKS

I – Put the words in brackets in the correct form. (5marks)

- 1 – Do you know if the Nile is _____ than the Mississippi? (long)
- 2 – Don't call the doctor. He's much _____(good) today than yesterday.
- 3 – Mohammad Ali will remain one of the_____ (popular) boxers of all times.
- 4- He was _____(beat) because he stole some money.
- 5 – If he were asked to, he _____ (pay) the bill.

II – Complete the following sentences with appropriate prepositions. (2.5 marks)

- 1 – This is my friend Ngale who's just arrived _____ the village
- 2 – Kwedi is very good _____mathematjcs.
- 3 – This year we'll be _____ holiday _____June.
- 4 – Thank you _____ inviting us to your party.

III – Fill in the gaps with the correct answers chosen from the list in brackets. (2.5 marks)

- 1- _____strong is your father? (what, how, such, what a)
- 2 – You _____smoke so much. (must, can't, should, shouldn't)
- 3 – There's_____wrong with the car. It can't start. (nothing, anything, something, some)
- 4 – You don't like playing tennis very much, _____(are you?, don't you?, aren't you ?, do you ?)
- 5 – The dog saw _____ in the mirror. (itself, him, himself, myself)

SECTION B VOCABULARY 10 MARKS

I – Match the items in Column A with those in column B that go together. Write your answer in the space provided. Do not cross arrows.

(5 marks)



Column A

- 1 – Organisation
- 2 – pollution
- 3 – a poster
- 4 – agency
- 5 – money

Column B

- a) Dating -----
- b) Borrowing-----
- c) World Health -----
- d) Industrial -----
- e) Make -----

II – Write the word in which the underlined sound is pronounced differently from the two others. Write the answer in the space provided. (3 marks)

For example, diet, thief, quiet ——— thief———

- a) proud, young, crowd _____
- b) forbid, fork, fowl _____
- c) Slave, gave, care _____

III – Replace the underlined words with words in the brackets that are closest in meaning to them. (2 marks)

1 – The suspects were liberated when it was discovered that they were not guilty. (captured, set free, freedom)

2 – The girls turned down the invitation for lunch because they didn't know the strangers. (refuse, confuse, refused)

3 – It is the anopheles mosquito that transmits malaria to human being. (brings, spreads, transacts)

4 – Most parents nowadays want their children thin and healthy. (slim, fat, light)

SECTION C COMPREHENSION 10 MARKS

Read the following passage and the instructions very carefully. Then answer the questions that follow. Use your own words as far you can.

A Narrow Escape

One morning I decided to go to my father's cocoa plantation on a bicycle. The footpath leading to the plantation was very narrow and had tall grass and bushes on both sides. Because it was too crooked, one had to roll along very slowly. After going through a bend, I came to a much wider path. "What a good piece!" I said to myself and felt I had to go much faster.

Speeding along the gentle slope, I suddenly saw stretched right across my path a huge snake. I was going too fast to stop so there was only one way open to me that was to go over it. Bump! Bump! The two tyres went over it. I was too excited that looking behind to see



what damage I had done. I ran into the bushes and was thrown off some distance away from the snake. The maddened snake darted for me. Fortunately, within reach of where I fell, there was a dead branch lying in the grass I grabbed it and attempted to strike the snake but missed.

It then raised its head a foot high in the air to strike at me. My legs suddenly gave way and I sank down helpless upon my knees I closed my eyes waiting for the moment of agony. But the seconds turned into minutes and it seemed to me like minutes turned into hours. Then I opened my eyes to realise that the snake was hesitating to strike. Opening my eyes widely I noticed something strange about the snake's mouth. Though it was wide open the snake could not bite. There was a small piece of branch stuck across its jaws making it impossible for it to close its mouth. As I noticed this, I started crawling on my feet and headed as fast as I could for a stronger branch. With a few hard blows, I had soon done away with the wild and dangerous snakes.

QUESTIONS

1- Describe the footpath leading to the plantation. (2 marks)

2- Tick the correct answer. The narrator didn't stop because:

(1 mark)

- a) he was speeding along a gentle slope.
- b) he was going too fast
- c) he saw a snake across the path.

Justify your answer. (1mark)

3 – Why did he run into the bushes? (2 marks)

4 – Why was he not bitten by the snake? (2 marks)

5 – Name any two different types of snakes that you know? In what way are they different?

(2 marks)



SECTION D

ESSAY

(10 marks)

Write an essay of between 120 and 150 words on any ONE of the following topics.

1. Describe an encounter you once had with a wild animal.
2. Write about your best meal. Say how it is prepared. You may want to state the ingredients used and why you like it.
3. A happy day at school.