#### KENYA NATIONAL PREDICTION TESTS

## **KCPE**

### **SCIENCE**

Time: 1 hour 40 minutes

#### **INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES (Please read these instructions carefully)**

- 1. You have been given this question booklet and a separate answer sheet. The question booklet contains 50 questions.
- 2. Do any necessary rough work in this booklet.
- 3. When you have chosen your answer, mark it on the **ANSWER SHEET**, not in this question booklet.

#### HOW TO USE THE ANSWER SHEET

- 4. Use an ordinary pencil only.
- 5. Make sure that you have written on the answer sheet:

# YOUR INDEX NUMBER YOUR NAME NAME OF YOUR SCHOOL

- 6. By drawing a **dark line** inside the correct numbered boxes mark your full Index Number (i.e. School Code Number and the three-figure Candidate's Number) in the grid near the top of the answer sheet.
- 7. Do not make any marks outside the boxes.
- 8. Keep the sheet as clean as possible and do not fold it.
- 9. For each of the questions 1-50 four answers are given. The answers are lettered A, B, C and D. In each case only **ONE** of the four answers is correct. Choose the correct answer.
- 10. On the answer sheet, show the correct answer by drawing a **dark line** inside the box in which the letter you have chosen is written.

#### **Example**

#### In the Question Booklet.

- 5. Which one of the following components of blood is involved in clotting after an injury?
  - A. White blood cells.
  - B. Red blood cells.
  - C. Plasma.
  - D. Platelets.

The correct answer is D.

#### On the answer sheet:

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In the set of boxes numbered 5, the box with the letter **D** printed in it is marked.

- 11. Your dark line MUST be within the box.
- 12. For each question **ONLY ONE** box is to be marked in each set of four boxes.

- 1. The **main** function of the white blood cells is to
  - A. fight germs and diseases in the body
  - B. help in transportation of digested food
  - C. carry oxygen from the lungs to the body
  - D. help in blood clotting
- Which of the following effects of drug abuse is correctly matched with its cause?

**Effect** A. Drowsiness Cause

**Injecting of cocaine Smoking of** 

B. Cirrhosis C. Addiction

cigarettes Chewing of miraa Inhaling of

D. Lung cancer

cobbler's glue

- The teeth of carnivores are well spaced
  - A. enable them to penetrate into the flesh
  - B. enable them to slice and crack bones easily
  - C. prevent flesh from getting stuck between them
  - D. enable them to catch and hold the prey
- 4. The diagram below represents a certain type of human tooth.



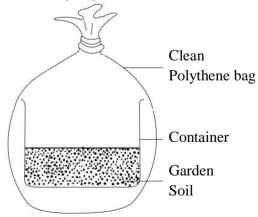
Which one of the following statements is **not true** about the above tooth?

- A. It has an uneven top
- B. It is used for crushing food
- C. It is in the deciduous set of teeth
- D. It is used for grinding food

- 5. The following are some characteristics of certain group of animals:
  - (i) Breath by lungs
  - (ii) Have scales
  - (iii) Lay eggs
  - (iv) Have a backbone

Which one of the following pairs of animals has all the characteristics listed above?

- A. Fish and birds
- B. Amphibians and reptiles
- C. Reptiles and birds
- D. Fish and amphibians
- 6. Which one of the following maintenance practices should be carried out on cutting tools?
  - A. Using regularly
  - B. Sharpening the cutting edge
  - C. Cleaning them regularly
  - D. Storing them in a safe place
- 7. Which one of the following is the **best** way of managing domestic waste in urban areas?
  - A. Reducing its generation
  - B. Using local authority
  - C. Making compost manure
  - D. On-site treatment
- 8. The diagram below shows a set-up that was used by a standard four pupil to investigate a certain component of soil. The set-up was kept out for some time in a hot sunny day.



What component of soil were the pupils investigating?

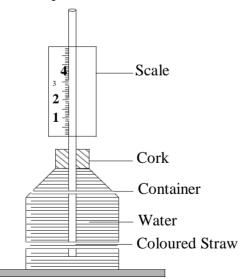
- A. Living organisms
- B. Humus
- C. Air
- D. Moisture

- **9.** Why do the tanks have taps at the bottom? This is because
  - A. the water flows freely from the top to the bottom
  - B. of the force of gravity
  - C. the pressure of water increases with depth
  - D. more water will pass through the bottom than at the top
- 10 Birds that feed on flesh have
  - A. strong, short, curved beaks
  - B. long, straight, broad beaks
  - C. long, slender, curved beaks
  - D. straight, short, slender beaks
- **11.** Plants **Q**, **R**, **S** and **T** had the following characteristics:
  - Q Needle-like leaves, thick cuticle
  - ${\bf R}$  Flexible stem, floating leaves  ${\bf S}$  Deep rooted, sunken stomata  ${\bf T}$  -

Many stomatas, air sacs

Which pair of plants are adapted to the same habitat?

- A. Q and R
- B.  $\mathbf{Q}$  and  $\mathbf{S}$
- C. Q and T
- D. S and R
- **12.** The diagram below shows an experiment that was set by pupils during a Science practical lesson.



Pupils observed that the weather instrument was **not** functioning well. Which mistake were they likely to have made?

- A. Using a wrong scale
- B. Using a narrow straw
- C. Using a thin walled glass bottle
- D. Using a coloured straw

- **13.** A small piece of stone sinks in water while a log of wood floats. This is because of the difference in their
  - A. size
  - B. mass
  - C. shape
  - D. material
- **14.** The soil that allows water to rise highest has three of the following characteristics **except** 
  - A. large particles
  - B. small air spaces
  - C. cracks when dry
  - D. makes long ribbons
- **15.** Which one of the following crop pests is **correctly** matched with the part of the plant it attacks?
  - A. Aphids Stems
  - B. Cutworms Grains
  - C. Weaver birds Cereals
  - D. Stalkborers Roots
- **16.** The force that opposes motion can be increased in three of the following ways **except** 
  - A. making treads on wheels
  - B. streamlining bodies
  - C. spreading coarse material on the point of contact
  - D. making the surfaces that are in contact rough.
- 17. The following materials were collected by pupils during a Science practical lesson:
  - (i) Water in a basin
  - (ii) A clean mirror
  - (iii) White board

Which aspect of light were they investigating?

- A. Dispersion of light
- B. Refraction of light
- C. Reflection of light
- D. How light travels
- **18.** Which of the following organic manures takes the longest time to prepare and release nutrients to crops?
  - A. Organic mulches
  - B. Farm Yard Manure
  - C. Compost manure
  - D. Green manure

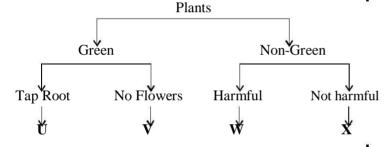
- **19.** The following are characteristics of matter:
  - (i) Have definite shape
  - (ii) Have definite volume
  - (iii) Have definite mass

Which materials have **all** the above characteristics?

- A. Flour and sand
- B. Milk and kerosene
- C. Water and air
- D. Steam and stones
- **20.** Which materials are **correctly** matched in the table below?

TransparentTranslucent Opaque

- A. Milk Mirror Light cloth
  B. Air Clean water Mirror
  C. Clean water Frosted glass Heavy cloth
  D. Sky light Heavy cloth Milk
- **21.** The chart below shows classification of plants.



Which plants are represented by letters

- U, V, W and X respectively?
- A. Maize, pine, mould, yeast
- B. Peas, mushroom, athletes foot, penicillin
- C. Carrot, cedar, ringworm, mushroom
- D. Algae, beans, onion, moss
- **22.** Which one of the following uses of the components that make up 78% and 0.03% of air is **correctly** placed?

78%

A. Making proteins
B. Putting out fire
C. Supporting burning
D. Germination

0.03%

Putting out fires
Germination

Making proteins
Supporting burning

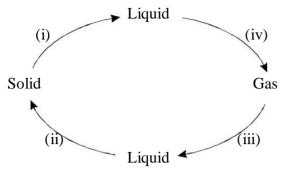
- **23.** Which list consists of various ways in which plants depend on each other for survival?
  - A. Habitat, shade, food
  - B. Pollination, manure, medicine
  - C. Decomposition, pollination, support
  - D. Support, shade, habitat

- **24.** The following are some safety measures:
  - (i) Never overload sockets
  - (ii) Avoid walking in open fields
  - (iii) Fit tall buildings with arrestors
  - (iv) Never put sticks in sockets
  - (v) Never put up building under electricity masts
  - (vi) Never lean on the wall

Which list consists of safety measures to be taken against lightning when it is raining?

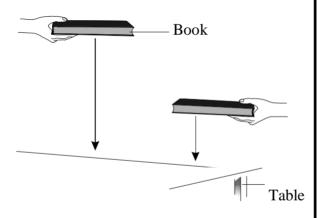
- A. (i), (iii), (iv)
- B. (ii), (iii), (vi)
- C. (iii), (iv), (vi)
- D. (ii), (iv), (vi)
- **25.** A class seven pupil accidentally mixed sand, salt and aluminium pieces of metal. Which is the correct order to follow for the pupil to obtain salt only?
  - A. Use of a magnet, dissolving, filtering and evaporation
  - B. Dissolving, use of a magnet, filtering and evaporation
  - C. Dissolving, filtering and evaporation
  - D. Dissolving, evaporation and filtering
- **26.** Which one of the following types of soil erosion is **most** likely to cause a landslide?
  - A. Rill erosion
  - B. Sheet erosion
  - C. Splash erosion
  - D. Gulley erosion
- 27. Pupils observed a house girl in a nearby school compound using the same water she used to wash clothes to clean the house. In this activity, the house girl was
  - A. recycling water
  - B. storing water
  - C. re-using water
  - D. using water sparingly

**28.** The illustration below shows the processes that bring about changes in states of matter.



Which letters represent a pair of processes that require an increase in temperature?

- A. (ii) and (iii)
- B. (i) and (iii)
- C. (i) and (iv)
- D. (ii) and (iv)
- **29.** The diagram below represents a set-up that was used to show how pupils dropped a textbooks from different heights from the surface of a table.



Which aspect of sound was being investigated?

- A. Noise pollution
- B. Special sounds
- C. Direction of sound
- D. Loud and soft sound

**30.** Standard seven pupils prepared the table below on the advantages and disadvantages of friction.

Group	Advantage	Disadvantage
M	Walking on roads	Causing tear
N	Erasing with a rubber	Making work hard
О	Lighting a match box	Riding bicycles
P	Braking a bicycle	Causing wearing out

Which group gave an **incorrect** answer?

- A. Group M
- B. Group N
- C. Group O
- D. Group P
- **31.** What is the purpose of valves in the veins in blood circulation?
  - A. They increase the blood pressure
  - B. They guide the blood flow
  - C. They stop the blood from flowing backward
  - D. They maintain the blood pressure which is high
- **32.** The following are some planets in the solar system:
  - (i) Jupiter
  - (ii) Neptune
  - (iii) Saturn
  - (iv) Uranus

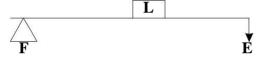
Arrange them in order, starting from the one furthest from the sun

- A. (ii), (iii), (iv), (i)
- B. (iv), (ii), (iii), (i)
- C. (i), (iii), (iv), (ii)
- D. (ii), (iv), (iii), (i)
- **33.** Which of the following animals are **correctly** placed under component of the environment they depend on for shelter?

Soil	<b>Plants</b>
A. Termites	Bacteria
B. Rats	Monkeys
C. Moles	Termites
D. Bacteria	Birds

- **34.** Which one of the following is the **most** important to consider when buying medicine from a chemist?
  - A. The date of expiry
  - B. The date of manufacture
  - C. How to store the medicine
  - D. The dose

- **35.** A child's skin appeared pale. His eyes and fingernails appeared white. The child is also likely to have
  - A. sores at the corners of the mouth
  - B. looked like an old person
  - C. felt like fainting and dizzy
  - D. had visible bones underneath the skin
- **36.** Which one of the following pairs of forms of energy can be transmitted only when there is a medium?
  - A. Heat and light
  - B. Sound and electricity
  - C. Sound and light
  - D. Heat and electricity
- **37.** The following shows the arrangement of the load, effort and fulcrum in a certain lever.



Which one of the following levers is illustrated above?

- A. Wheelbarrow
- B. Crowbar
- C. Spade
- D. Claw hammer
- **38.** The following are functions of stems in plants:
  - (i) Holding the branches
  - (ii) Storage of food
  - (iii) Transportation of water and mineral salts
  - (iv) Breathing

Which one of the following is performed by **all** stems?

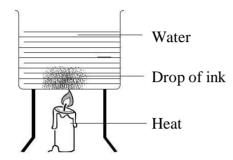
- A. (i) and (iii)
- B. (ii) and (i)
- C. (i) and (ii)
- D. (ii) and (iv)
- **39.** Which one of the following pairs consists only of materials that are magnetic?
  - A. Aluminium foil and silver shilling
  - B. Shilling coin and sewing needle
  - C. Sewing needle and office pins
  - D. Office pins and aluminium foil

- **40.** Four children **X**, **Y**, **W** and **Z** all under four years eat the following types of food daily:
  - **X** Potatoes, rice, spinach **Y** Oranges, beans, cabbage **W** Fish, eggs and ugali
  - **Z** Chapati, cabbage, tomatoes

Which two of the children are likely to suffer from kwashiorkor?

- A. X and Z
- B. Y and Z
- C. X and W
- D. Y and W
- **41.** Clouds which most often give rise to rainfall are
  - A. thick, white and appear like bundles of cotton wool
  - B. high, feathery and made up of rounded masses
  - C. low, grey and have a mountainous shape
  - D. thick, grey, feathery and have a mountainous shape
- **42.** The method used to remove permanent hardness in water is
  - A. filtering
  - B. distilling
  - C. boiling
  - D. using chemicals
- **43.** Tamsi kicked a ball along a flat floor. The ball rolled and eventually stopped on its own. The **main** reason was that
  - A. the force of gravity enabled it to stop
  - B. there was wind acting in the opposite direction
  - C. air in the ball increased resistance
  - D. the force of friction was acting on the ball
- **44.** Which method of food preservation is **wrongly** matched with its mode of preservation?
  - A. **Canning** kills bacteria and removes air
  - B. Freezing kills bacteria and fungi
  - C. **Smoking** keeps off bacteria and fungi
  - D. **Use of low temperature** discourages growth of bacteria and fungi

- **45.** Educating masses is a way of controlling HIV/AIDS. It could be carried out through all the following **except** 
  - A. public rallies
  - B. workshops
  - C. weddings
  - D. seminars
- **46.** The diagram below represents a set-up that can be used to demonstrate a certain process.



Which of the following processes is being demonstrated?

- A. Diffusion
- B. Radiation
- C. Conduction
- D. Convection
- **47.** Which of the following groups of animal feeds provide livestock with mineral salts only?
  - A. Green fodder, fruits, honey
  - B. Bonemeal, fish meal, salt lick
  - C. Maize germ, bran, mollases
  - D. Fish meal, legumes, banana stem

- **48.** Which one of the following parasites do not attack a pig?
  - A. Lice
  - B. Fleas
  - C. Ticks
  - D. Mites
- **49.** The following practices help to prevent the spread of diseases:
  - (i) Covering pit latrines after use
  - (ii) Spraying chemicals in stagnant water
  - (iii) Wearing protective clothing when walking in stagnant water
  - (iv) Draining stagnant water

Which two practices help to prevent the spread of **both** malaria and bilharzia?

- A. (ii) and (iv)
- B. (i) and (ii)
- C. (iii) and (iv)
- D. (ii) and (iii)
- **50.** In which of the following sources of energy is **correctly** placed under renewable and non-renewable?

Renewable	Non-renewable	
A. Wind	Charcoal	
B. Coal	Petrol	
C. Water fall	Firewood	
D. Biogas	Cooking gas	