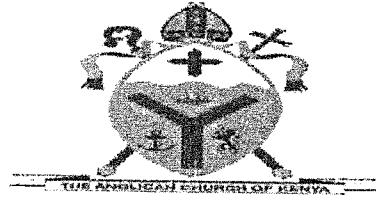


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**ACK MASENO WEST JOINT EXAMINATION
KENYA CERTIFICATE OF SECONDARY EDUCATION**

March/April 2025

AGRICULTURE

PAPER 1

2 HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

1. Write your name admission number and the name of your school in the spaces provided above.
2. Sign and write the date of examination in the spaces provide above.
3. This paper consist of three sections A, B and C.
4. Answer **all** the questions in section A and B and any **two** questions in section C.
5. All answers should be written in the spaces provided.
6. All answers must be written in English.
7. This paper consist of 11 printed pages.
8. Candidates must check to ascertain that all the pages are printed as indicated and that no question is missing.

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SECTION	QUESTIONS	MAXIMUM SCORE	Candidate's score
A	1-15	30	
B	16 -19	20	
C	20-22	40	
Total score		90	

SECTION A (30 Marks)

Answer all the questions in this section in the spaces provided.

1. State **four** factors that influence the scale of agricultural production (2 marks)

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2. State **four** effects of excessive nitrogenous fertiliser application on tomatoes. (2 marks)

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3. Give **two** reasons for carrying out each of the following operations in land preparation:

(a) Rolling (1 mark)

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(b) Leveling (1 mark)

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4. List **four** methods of treating water for use on the farm. (2 marks)

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5. State **four** uses of labour utilisation analysis records (2 marks)

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6. Outline **four** activities that may be undertaken in organic farming. (2 marks)

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7. State **four** characteristics of a good site for a tomato nursery bed site. (2 marks)

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8. State **four** natural factors that may encourage soil erosion. (2 marks)

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9.(a) Define the term land reform. (1 mark)

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(b) State **four** benefits of a land registration certificate in farming. (2 marks)

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10: What is meant by each of the following in agroforestry. (3 marks)

(a) Pollarding

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(b) Coppicing

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(c) Lopping.

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11. Give **four** reasons why green manure is not commonly used in farming. (2 marks)

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12. Give **four** reasons why early defoliation is discouraged in pasture utilisation. (2 marks)

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13. State **four** farming activities that may pollute water. (2 marks)

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14. Give **four** factors that influence the number of secondary cultivations in seedbed preparation. (2 marks)

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15. State four functions of Agricultural Society of Kenya (A.S.K.). (2 marks)

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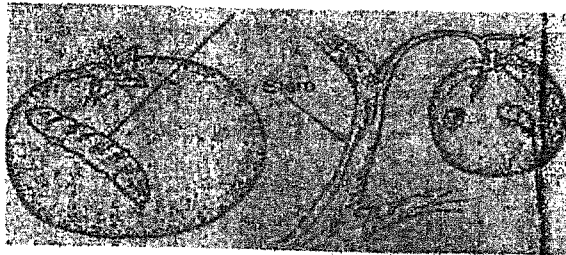
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SECTION B (20 Marks)

Answer all the questions in this section in the spaces provided.

16. The diagram below illustrate a tomato fruit infested by a field pest



(a) Identify the pest. (1 mark)

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(b) State two ways in which the pest is economically Important. (2 marks)

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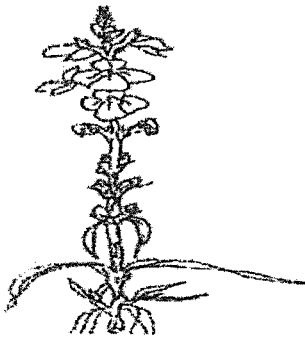
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(c) State two cultural ways of controlling the pest. (2 marks)

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17. The diagram below illustrates a parasitic weed. Study the diagram carefully and answer the questions that follow.



(a) Identify the weed illustrated above. (1 mark)

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(b) Name **two** crops the weed illustrated above commonly attacks. (1 mark)

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(c) State **one** reason why the weed is referred to as a parasite weed. (1 mark)

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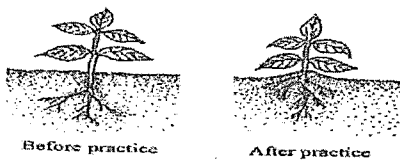
(d) State **two** methods for controlling the weed illustrated above. (2 marks)

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18. The diagram below shows an illustration of a crop field practice.



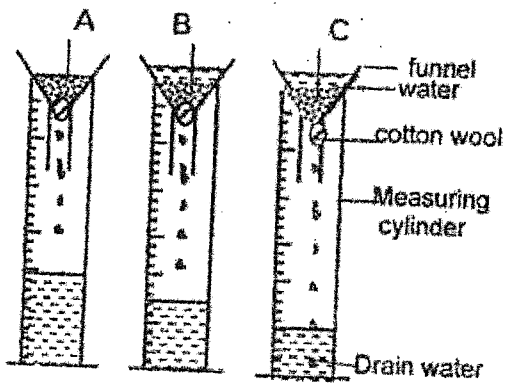
(a) Identify the field practice illustrated above. (1 mark)

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(b) Name **two** crops which require the practice illustrated. (2 marks)

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(c) Give **two** reasons for carrying out the practice on one of the crops you have named in (b) above. (2 marks)

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19. The diagram below illustrates an experiment on soil. Study it carefully and answer the questions that follow.



(a) State the aim of the experiment. (1 mark)

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(b) If the volume of water illustrated in the measuring cylinders was observed after one hour, identify the soil samples labelled A and B. (2 marks)

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(c) State two ways in which the soil structure of the soil sample labeled C above can be improved. (2 marks)

SECTION C (40 Marks)

Answer any two questions from this section in the spaces provided.

20. (a) Explain **seven** factors that should be considered when selecting seeds for planting.

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(b). Describe Blossom End Rot disease in tomatoes under each of the following sub-headings:

(i) symptoms. (1 mark)

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(ii) causes. (3 marks)

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(iii) control measures. (3 marks)

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(c). Explain **six** reasons for practising crop rotation. (6 marks)

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21. (a). Explain the different ways in which each of the following environmental factors influence crop production

(i) Temperature. (5 marks)

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(ii) Wind. (4 marks)

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b). Explain five ways in which HIV/AIDS limits agricultural production. (5 marks)

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(c). State **six** reasons why a nursery is important in crop production. (6 marks)

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22.(a)(i). Describe the harvesting and marketing of bulb onions. (4 marks)

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ii) Explain **four** precautions that should be observed when harvesting cotton. (4 marks)

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(b). Describe the risks and uncertainties encountered by sugarcane farmers in Kenya. (8 marks)

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(c). Describe four methods used in water harvesting. (4 marks)

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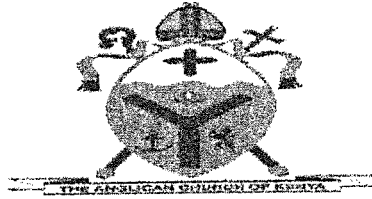
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BUSINESS STUDIES

PAPER 1

MARCH, 2025

DURATION ; 2 HOURS

TERM 1 – 2025

INSTRUCTIONS TO THE CANDIDATES

- a) Write your name and Admission Number in the spaces provided above.
- b) Sign and write the date of the examination in the spaces provided.
- c) This paper consists of 25 questions
- d) Answer ALL questions in the spaces provided.
- e) Candidate should answer the questions in English.

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QUESTION	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	B	14
MARKS														

QUESTION	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25

TOTAL MARKS

1. State **four** ways in which economic environment may negatively affect the performance of a business. (4 mks)

- a).....
- b)
- c).....
- d).....

State any **four** circumstances under which a business would adopt cash with order (C.O) policy in payments.

- a).....
- b).....
- c).....
- d).....

3. Outline any **four** components of an efficient transport system. (4 mks)

- a).....
- b).....
- c).....
- d).....

4.The following items were recorded in the books of kodongo Enterprises.

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Opening stock	14,000
Purchase	80,000
Sales	150,000
Return inwards	5,000
Return outwards	10,000
Closing stock	8,000

Required:

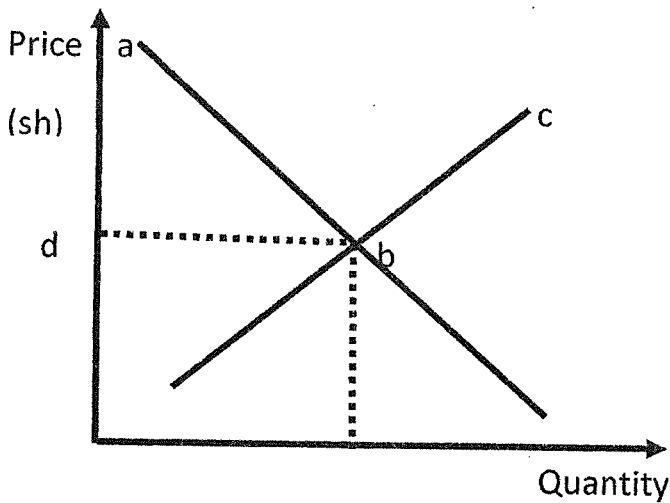
- a) Calculate the cost of goods sold (2 mks)

b) Determine margin percentage (3 mks)

5. Outline any **four** reasons why many Kenyans shy away from taking insurance cover (4mks)

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- b)
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- c).....
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- d).....
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6. In the diagram below, name the parts labelled a, b, c and d (4 mks)



- a _____
- b _____
- c _____
- d _____

7. State any **four** reasons for government involvement in business activities (4mks)

- a).....
- b)
- c).....
- d).....

8. Identify any **four** rewards to labour as a factor of production (4mks)

- a).....
- b)
- c).....
- d).....

9. State **four** causes of unemployment in Kenya .(4 mks)

- a).....
- b)
- c).....
- d).....

10. Indicate in the spaces below the relevant factor of production associated with the following resources (4 mks)

RESOURCES	FACTOR OF PRODUCTION
a) Water	
b) Manager	
c) proprietor	
d) vehicles	

1. State any **four** characteristics of good money system (4mks)

- a).....
- b)
- c).....
- d).....

2. State any **four** situations that indicate the existence of a business opportunity. (4 mks)

- a).....
- b)
- c).....
- d).....

3. State any **four** accounting documents used in home trade. (4 mks)

- a).....
- b).....
- c).....
- d).....

14. State any **four** reasons why an increase in income per capital may not necessarily lead to an increase in standard of living.

- a).....
- b).....
- c).....
- d).....

15. State **four** monetary tools that can be used by the central Bank of Kenya to reduce the amount of money in circulation (4 mks)

- a).....
- b).....
- c).....
- d).....

6. the following is the credit side of a three column cash book.

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name the column marked A ,B ,C and D

- A.
- B.
- C.
- D.

. State any **four** unethical issues in entrepreneurship (4 mks)

- a).....
- b)
- c).....
- d).....

18. In the table below, indicate the account to be debited and the account to be credited in each case.(4 mks)

TRANSACTION	A/C DEBITED	A/C CREDITED
a)withdraw sh 4,000 cash for personal use		
b)paid rent of sh 3,000 by cheque		
c)purchased goods worth sh 10,000 credit		
d)Deposited business cash to bank account		

19.State **four** roles of the Nairobi Stock Exchange market (4 mks)

- a).....
- b)
- c).....
- d).....

20.The following information was extracted from the books of maseno traders

Rate of stock turnover	3 times
Mark-up	20%
Opening stock	160,000
Closing stock	200,000

Required: calculate

a)Gross profit (2 mks)

b)Sales (2 mks)

21. Human wants have become increasingly difficult to satisfy, Outline any four reasons that can be undertaken by man to address that can be undertaken by man to address this challenge. (4 mks)

- a).....
- b)
- c).....
- d).....

22.Prepare Hekima Traders Trial balance at 30th april 2020 given the following items recorded. (5 mks)

Bank Overdraft	48,000
Debtors	26,500
Capital	102,000
Stock	84,000
Creditors	73,000
Discount allowed	28,000
Rent received	48,000
Mortgages	200,000
Land	236,500
Cash	96,000

23. State any **THREE** categories of public expenditure. (3 mks)

- a).....
- b)
- c).....

24. Outline any **four** trends in communication (4 mks)

- a).....
- b)
- c).....
- d).....

25. Identify the book of original entry where each of the following transactions maybe recorded .

TRANSACTIONS	BOOK OF ORIGINAL ENTRY
a) Bought goods on credit	
b) Sold an office on credit	
c) Some goods were returned back to the supplier	
d) Sold goods in cash	