



TARGETER WINGS

KENYA JUNIOR SCHOOL EDUCATION ASSESSMENT

GRADE 8 - 2026

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Learner's Name	
School Name	
Learner's Signature	

Assessment Number	
School Code	
Date	

SOCIAL STUDIES

Time: 1 Hour 30 Minutes

INSTRUCTIONS TO LEARNERS

1. Write your name and assessment number correctly.
2. Write the name and code of your school in the spaces as indicated above.
3. Write the date of the assessment.
4. This paper consists of **two** sections: A and B.
5. **Section A** comprises Multiple choice questions.
6. **Section B** comprises structured questions and essay questions.
7. Answer **ALL** the questions in Section A on the separate **ANSWER SHEET** provided.
8. Answer **ALL** the questions in Section B in the spaces provided on this question paper.
9. Do **NOT** remove any page from this question paper.
10. Answer the questions in English.

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SECTION B

Question	21	22	23	24	25	26	27
Maximum Score	4	6	5	5	4	3	3
Candidate's Score							

1. You have been given this question paper and a separate answer sheet. Answer all the questions in Section A on the separate answer sheet provided.
2. When you have chosen your answer, mark it on the **ANSWER SHEET**, not on this question paper.

HOW TO USE THE ANSWER SHEET

3. Use an ordinary HB pencil.
4. Confirm that the answer sheet you have been provided with has the following:

YOUR ASSESSMENT NUMBER

YOUR NAME

NAME OF YOUR SCHOOL

NAME OF THE SUBJECT

5. Keep the answer sheet clean, and dry and **DO NOT** fold it.
6. For each of the questions 1 – 20, 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.
7. On the answer sheet, the correct answer is to be shown by drawing a **dark line** inside the box in which the letter you have chosen is written.

Example

In the Question Booklet:

17. The value that makes one to stay calm and composed when faced with challenges in life is known as
 - A. respect
 - B. honesty
 - C. trustworthy
 - D. patience.

The correct answer is 'D'.

On the answer sheet, in the set of boxes given for number 17, draw a **dark line** inside the box with the letter B printed in it as indicated below.

17. [A] [B] [C] [D]

9. Your **dark line** **MUST** be inside the box.
10. For each question, **ONLY ONE** box is to be marked in each set of four boxes.

This paper consists of 4 printed pages.

Candidates should check the question paper to ascertain that all the pages are printed as indicated and no questions are missing.

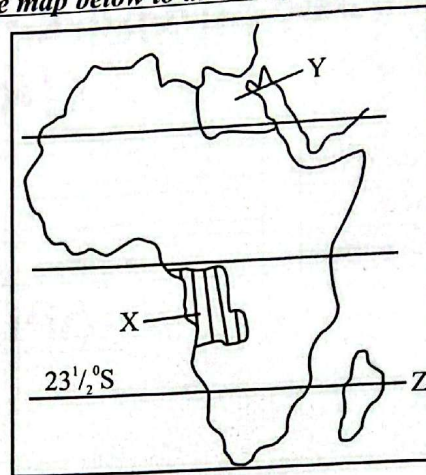
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SECTION A(20MARKS)

1. The process of making intentional efforts to develop your knowledge, skills, mindset, performance, character to become a better person is called
 A. self-exploration B. self-awareness
 C. self-improvement D. self-assessment.
2. Grade 8 learners were asked by their Social Studies teacher to use their digital devices to find out personality traits that help one gain self-understanding. They found the following **except**
 A. openness to situations
 B. extraversion, being able to freely socialize and being interactive
 C. agreeableness, being cooperative and compassionate
 D. unconscientiousness, being unable to know one's intentions and thoughts.
3. Grade 7 learners were asked by their Social Studies teacher to bring some materials to construct a certain weather instrument. They brought the following
 (i) *A pole*
 (ii) *A piece of cloth or socks*
 (iii) *A wire or a strong string*
 Which instrument were they going to construct?
 A. Windssock. B. Windvane.
 C. Anemometer D. Rainguage.
4. In order to develop strong personality traits, one needs to possess the following values **except**
 A. optimism B. pessimism
 C. trustworthy D. integrity.
5. Grade 8 learners discussed about the effects of unhealthy self-esteem in day-to-day life. They wrote some of the effects in their note books. Which of the effects they wrote was **not** correct?
 A. Leads to suicidal thoughts and drug abuse
 B. Leads to anxiety and depression.
 C. Increases performance in school and work place.
 D. Creates fear and uncertainty.
6. Learners of Kemi school planned for a Community Service Learning Projects.. Which one of the following was **not** a method they used to collect the data?
 A. Questionnaire. B. Observation.
 C. Tallying. D. Interviewing.
7. Grade 8 learners discussed on the types of a map used in Social Studies. They learned of a map with a combination of maps in one volume. The type of map they discussed was
 A. Goggle map B. Atlas map
 C. Sketch map D. Topographical map.

Use the map below to answer questions 8 to 10

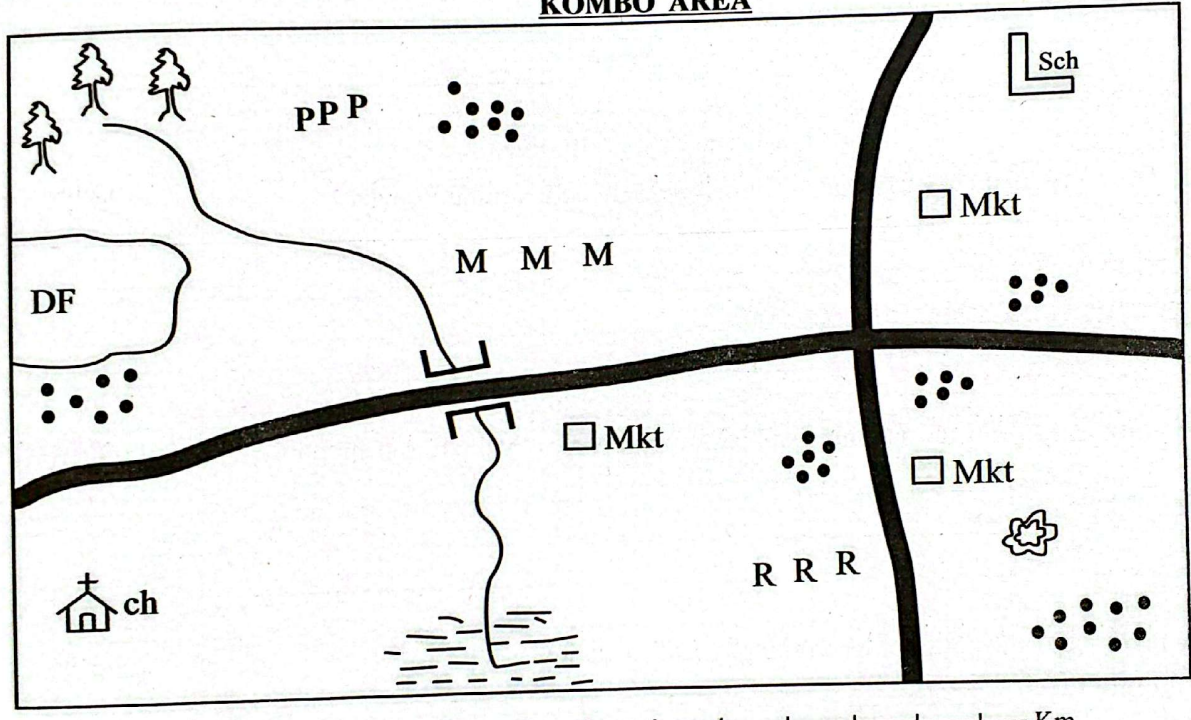


8. The country marked Y was colonised by
 A. Britain B. France
 C. Germany D. Italy.
9. The latitude labelled Z crosses the following countries **except**
 A. South Africa B. Angola
 C. Madagascar D. Namibia.
10. Which one of the following traditional kingdoms existed at the place marked X?
 A. Kingdom of Kongo. B. Great Zimbabwe.
 C. Ancient Egypt. D. Asanti Kingdom.
11. Grade 8 learners were revising through group discussion on methods of recording data in a fieldwork. Which of the following was **not** correct?
 A. Tallying. B. Writing notes.
 C. Observation. D. Voice recording.
12. Two neighbours had a disagreement over a land boundary. They invited an elder to help them solve the disagreement. This method of conflict resolution is called
 A. litigation B. dialogue
 C. arbitration D. forgiveness.
13. Grade 7 learners discussed about factors that contributed to the presence of African diaspora across the World. Which of the factors they gave was **not** correct?
 A. Trans-Atlantic slave trade.
 B. Development of transport and communication that facilitated African movement.
 C. Education scholarships.
 D. Outbreak of the 3rd World war.
14. Which form of slavery were slaves treated like the owner's property?
 A. Domestic. B. Chattel.
 C. Debt bondage. D. Military slavery.
15. The time in Accra Ghana 0° is 6.00am. What is the time in Dar-es-Salaam at 30°E?
 A. 8.00am B. 8.00pm
 C. 4.00am D. 4.00pm

16. Grade 7 learners were asked to find out from the internet the characteristics of human rights. Which of the following points they came up with was **not** correct?
 A. Imprescriptible. B. Fundamental.
 C. Alienable. D. Universal.
17. The following factors promote continental interconnectedness and interdependence **except**
 A. political stability across the World
 B. improved transport networks
 C. shared games and sports
 D. colonisation and segregation.
18. Which arm of the government implements government policies?
 A. Legislature. B. Judiciary.
 C. Executive. D. Senate.
19. Which one of the following is **not** a national value provided in the constitution of Kenya for the promotion of good governance?
 A. Human dignity.
 B. Integrity.
 C. Transparency and accountability.
 D. Discrimination and non inclusivity.
20. Which one of the following European countries did **not** have a colony in Africa?
 A. Italy. B. Hungary. C. Belgium. D. Portugal.

SECTION B (30MARKS)

KOMBO AREA



KEY

PPP	Pyrethrum	MM	Maize	DF	Dairy farm
RRR	Rice	□ Mkt	Market	•••	Settlement
ch	Church	Sch	School	⊕	Quarry
---	Swamp	—	Tarmac road	— —	River and bridge
				🌳	Forests

Use the map of Kombo Area to answer question 21.

21. a) Moses walked from his home near the church to school. Towards which direction was he walking to? _____ (1mk)
- b) Which type of settlement is found in Kombo area? _____ (1mk)
- c) Which type of soil is found to the South of the map in Kombo area? _____ (1mk)
- d) Which is the dominant economic activity practised in Kombo area? _____ (1mk)

22. Andrew, a grade 8 learner asked his group members to assist him know the ways of recording traditional stories about humankind in the society. Outline **three** responses he was given. (6mks)

- a) _____
- _____
- b) _____
- _____
- c) _____
- _____

23. Grade 7 learners were discussing about the factors which led to the development of the Indian Ocean slave trade. Identify **five** factors they discussed. (5mks)

- a) _____
- b) _____
- c) _____
- d) _____
- e) _____

24. Identify **five** steps taken to carry out a Community Service Learning Project. (5mks)

- a) _____
- b) _____
- c) _____
- d) _____
- e) _____

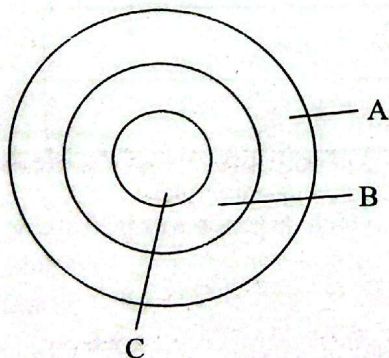
25. Identify **four** reasons for the scramble and partition of Africa by the European powers. (4mks)

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

26. Identify **three** factors to consider when siting a weather station. (3mks)

- a) _____
- b) _____
- c) _____

27. Grade 8 learners were discussing about the internal structure of the earth. Their teacher asked them to draw a diagram representing the internal structure of the earth and label it. Which was the correct labeling that they made? (3mks)



- A _____
- B _____
- C _____