

English Language Test PA

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SECTION A: GRAMMAR AND VOCABULARY (20marks)

I complete these sentences with the correct forms of verbs in bracket. (5 Marks)

- 1) If it _____ next week, we won't be able to play the football match.
(To rain)
- 2) Make sure you _____ there by 7 am. Classes start at 7:30. (To get)
- 3) How does royal regalia _____ to the myth and power of a monarch?
(to contribute)
- 4) Queen Elizabeth II _____ on the throne for a long time now.
(To be).
- 5) Even though Osei Tutu _____ from an illness he insisted on being carried in a hammock. (To suffer).
- 6) Mansa Musa _____ born in 1280, when Sundiata inherited the Mali Empire. (To be)
- 7) Before Paul Biya became the president of Cameroon, he _____ as the prime minister of Cameroon. (to serve)
- 8) By 7.pm Cameroon airlines _____ for five hours already. (to fly)
- 9) Presently, Charles Djok _____ to be a motor vehicle technician.
(to study)
- 10) Traditional _____ is used in Angola to help demobilised child soldiers. (to heal)

II correct these sentences and then write in the spaces provided. (2.5 marks)

- 1. The children has been brainwashed into believing that it were good to be a child soldier.

- 2. The kingdom of Denkyira was much more bigger than any other in the region.

- 3. The principal can hardly not understand why students throw papers out of the dust bins.

- 4. Did you sought the advices for your parents before selecting subjects?

- 5. After form study groups the performing of students increased.

III Complete these sentences in the most appropriate way. (2.5 marks)

1. The architect arrived. New houses started to appear.
No sooner _____
2. "I was the first person to have shown us that a struggle can be waged without violence," Nelson Mandela told Fw De Klerk.
Nelson told Fw de Klert _____
3. She has written several books including her memories, called Unbarred and The Challenge of African.
Several books _____
4. To hear that someone from your country has succeeded in very uplifting.
It is _____
5. He was kind. She was not submissive.
In spite of _____

IV Match the words with their meanings.

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1) Drape	a) The art of fighting in battles	1.
2) cunning	b) official home of king or queen	2.
3) Oligarchy	c) Money earned on an investment	3.
4) Plutocracy	d) One who uses his intelligence to exploit others	4.
5) Court	e) Cover loosely and decoratively	5.
6) witness	f) where a small group of powerful people rule	6.
7) to testify	g) where the richest people have political power and rule	7.
8) employee	h) someone who sees a crime happen and talks about it in court	8.
9) interest	i) To remember something and repeat it in a court of Law.	9.
10) Warfare	j) A person who works in a company.	10.

SECTION B READING COMPREHENSION (10 MARKS)

Read this text and answer the questions that follow below it.

Rebuilding lives in Sudan

Away from troubled Darfur, people in Sudan are struggling to recover from a 21-year-old Civil war between the north and south, the World Food Programme's Marcus Prior discovers.

In Sudan's Nuba Mountains, bordering southern Sudan, grown men are fighting each other in public again. But, for once, there are no guns involved. Instead, as the sun sets to a

Watery twilight, the young men of upper and lower Kuro wrestle in the dust for fun. For centuries, wrestling has pulled the societies of the Nuba Mountains together, uniting them in celebration and providing a distraction from daily survival.

These days, the bare-knuckle fights are a sign that peace is returning to a region devastated by conflict. "Before, people would not gather in large numbers like this—they were too afraid," says Daud Siddiq of the Sudanese Relief and Rehabilitation Council. "Even if they did, if they heard an Antonov aircraft overhead, they would run away fearing bombardment. For the Nuba, wrestling is part of our Culture, but only with the ceasefire have things like this been possible."

Waiting for peace

Since the ceasefire was signed two years ago between the Sudanese Government and the Sudan People's Liberation Army (SPLA), life is slowly but surely returning to normal. But fear persists that until a comprehensive peace is signed, people are vulnerable to attack. Many are still living in the hilltop refuges to which they fled during the worst of the conflict and remain reluctant to return to the plains before peace is assured. Recent rumours of Darfur's Janjaweed Militia moving into South Kordofan have done little to reinforce local confidence in the peace process.

With so many people still preferring to stay in their mountain refuges, vast areas of the plains are not being farmed, making it difficult for the region to start the rebuilding process. "It's a question of confidence," says the head of WFP's local office, Souleyman Beye. "This area was bombed a lot during the war. There's no way right now that people can grow enough to feed themselves."

Aid needed

Pressure on food supplies has been exacerbated by the large influx of returnees into the Nuba Mountains that has followed the initial peace agreement. Local authorities put the number of returnees this year at over 100,000. Very few have had time to work the fields and, as a result, they are still dependent to a greater or lesser degree on the kinship system and outside assistance for food.

Similar pressure is being felt further south in Northern Bahr el Ghazal. The region has already experienced a significant influx of returnees, but is bracing itself for many more, once the worst effects of the rainy season have passed.

Here, however, the problem is different – many areas have experienced major crop failure. As we drove from village to village we passed field after field of sorghum, which were very unhealthy. Some farmers complained that the rains had come too late, others that there had been no rain at all and many that when the rain finally arrived, it fell so hard and in such quantities that their crops were destroyed.

1. Where are these events taking place? (1 mark)

2. Why is wrestling important to the societies of the Nuba mountains? (1 mark)

3. Why were wrestling matches not common in the recent past? (2 marks)

4. What does **like this** mean in the text? (1 mark)

5. Do you think that the Nuba people trust the government? (2 marks)
Justify your answer.

6. What are the needs of the people? (2 marks)

7. Why, in your opinion, did Marcus Prior write this article? (1 mark)

SECTION C

ESSAY WRITING (10 MARKS)

Write an essay of between 250-300 words on any one of the following topics.

- 1) Imagine that you were the chief of your village, what would you do to make your village an interesting place to live in?
- 2) What are the causes of war and your opinion on recruiting child soldiers? What are the consequences? Suggest ways to rehabilitate child soldiers:
- 3) The rate of indiscipline is on the rise at College Vogt. Give reasons and consequences of indiscipline. Proposed solutions to this problem.

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