

2013 KCSE EXAMINATION MARKING SCHEMES

4.1 ENGLISH (101)

4.1.1 English Paper 1 (101/1)

1. Points of interpretation

- (a) Must be a **notice** if not deduct 2 marks.

Format (3 marks)

- Headings and subheadings - must be written clearly in catchy bold print to attract the attention of the reader.
- Overall presentation -attractive design, use of capital letters e.t.c.
- Include the following
 - Heading
 - Name of Institution
 - Subject
 - Format - name of a person/official designation
 - Border line
 - Date of notice

Language (3 marks)

- Language accuracy - should communicate clearly and accurately
- Use short clear phrases

Content (4 marks)

- Description of the child (2 marks)
 - e.g. - height
 - complexion
 - age (mandatory)
 - clothing
 - indicate child is deaf (mandatory)
- Offer a handsome amount of money for information that will help locate the child. (1 mark)
- Give contact details e.g. phone number. (1 mark)

- (b) Expect an **informal letter** if not deduct 2 marks.
The letter need not be long, it is the sincerity of the tone that matters.

Format (3 marks)

- Senders address and date
- Salutation e.g. Dear Mr./ Mrs e.t.c
- Signing off e.g. yours sincerely e.t.c

Language (4 marks)

- Ability to communicate accurately
 - proficient use of language structures
 - coherency
 - appropriate punctuation
- Tone - should adopt a relaxed formal tone since the addressee is not known by the sender.
- Paragrahing

Content (3 marks)

- Sincere expression of thanks.
- Details of how the person who found the child will receive their reward.
(appreciation (1), reward (1), how, where and when (1))

2.
 - (1) and
 - (2) mind
 - (3) expressing
 - (4) truth
 - (5) on
 - (6) cowardly/ wrong/ bad
 - (7) this/ that/ it
 - (8) badly/ deliberately/ purposely/intentionally
 - (9) confronting
 - (10) farthest/ next/adjacent.
3.
 - (a)
 - (i) thinking/ things - must underline sound
 - (ii) i, find, myself
with, different
thinking, things
don't, know
he, me
 - (iii) stress "fool" (which comes before a pause in the first utterance); also stress "black" (to distinguish it from "white" presidents); the whole group of words is an exclamation, and it would be said at a particularly high pitch/rising and falling intonation. The words would also be spoken with a knowing, comic smile.
Use gestures and a stern ironic facial expression.

- (iv) · Pronouns like other function words are stressed when they occur in a final position.
- Contextually the pronouns indicate a shared identity: black.
- (b) (i) Berry - bury
- (ii) Cloze - clause
- (iii) Coarse - course
- (iv) Flaws - floors
- (v) Close - cloze

- (c) col.league
- ~~re~~.gis.ter
- ap.~~proach~~
- a.~~larm~~
- a.~~buse~~

- (d) (i) Acknowledgement (2 marks)

Acknowledgement + greet the important people at the party: chair BOG, chair PTA, Principal, Deputy principal, Senior Teacher, Class teachers, Subject teachers, other members of the teaching staff, fellow students - greetings.
(should follow a hierarchical order).

- (ii) Appreciation (3 marks)

- Thank God (optional)
- Thank the teachers/principal (mandatory)
- Thank parents and guardians (optional)
- Thank the organizers of the party (mandatory)
- Thank the cooks, servers and other support staff (mandatory)
- Thank form four students for behaving well

- (iii) Concluding remarks (e.g Thank you for listening to me + goodbye till ~~we~~ meet again - when we come for our results) (mandatory)
God bless you. (1 mark)

- (e) (i) · Non - empathetic listener/callous/inconsiderate/insensitive/unfriendly.
- Inattentive - absent minded
- Impatient - interrupts Aisha's speeches
- Absent - minded - "what did you say?"

Any two well illustrated points.

- (ii) · Should try to enter Aisha's world and look at things from her point of view.
- Improve on her turn - taking and stop interrupting.
- Should be more attentive/ stop being absent - minded.
- Should stop being selfish.

4.1.2 English Paper 2 (101/2)

1. (a) - Domestic waste: left-over rice, ugali, fish heads, rotting water melons and half-eaten bananas. (Any 2 = 1 mark)
- Industrial: newspapers, directories, soiled diapers, lipstick cylinders, medicine vials, toys and cigarette butts. (Any 2 = 1 mark)
- (b) As it rots, a banana turns black and then becomes abnormally sweet. (2 marks)
- (c) Garbage harbours all manner of germs which could easily compromise an immune system that is already weak. (2 marks)
- (d) However, the knowledge harvested from a dumpsite compensates for the grim working conditions. (1 marks)
- (e) This is because the term is not the author's. It has simply been borrowed from elsewhere. He is sarcastic about it. There is no office without paper. (2 marks)
- (f) Usually, whatever is processed on the computer needs to be printed. This spurs the generation of paper waste since the printed matter will eventually be discarded. This is quite contrary to the predicted reduction of paper waste. There is more creation of paper waste rather than its reduction. (2 marks)
- (g) Resin is a raw material used in manufacturing products and it makes them heavy. (2 marks)
- (h) - paper products occupy too much space.
- Unlike plastic products, paper waste has been increasing in dumpsites.
- Paper products are not necessarily more biodegradable than plastics. (4 marks)
- (i) - bread and butter work - basic;
- static - unchanging/constant;
- gets underway - begins/takes place. (3 marks)
2. (a) Peter Stockmann/the Mayor, is eager to have the article published at the time to attract more people to the Baths; more revenue (and therefore more profits for the shareholders of whom he is one) for the town.
- Dr. Stockmann on the other hand, is awaiting the confirmation of his suspicion of the contamination of the baths (pgs 50, 38, 86). Dr. is waiting for the lab reports, hence the need to delay. (2 marks)

(b) He is suspicious that the baths may be contaminated. Secondly, he is compelled to await the result analysis of samples sent to the University laboratories before he can commit to a final informed stand. (2 marks)

(c) Peter Stockmann comes through as:

- (i) bossy/a bully/intimidating - he attempts to threaten Dr. Stockmann by using his superior position; “.... someday you will”
- (ii) suspicious/impatient - he does not give Dr. Stockmann any chance to explain, but jumps to conclusion that Thomas is dealing unfaithfully and is withholding relevant information from him;
- (iii) conceited - He fancies himself superior to Thomas and presumes to understand him better.
- (iv) Fastidious /stickler for protocol - he insists things must be done with due decorum and through the established authority.
- (v) Bureaucratic: “... through the proper channels and shall ...”
- (vi) Suspicious: “is there something going on ...”
- (vii) Impatient: “I should have thought that this”
- (viii) Vain/arrogant/conceited: “... I, as Chairman of the”

(Any three traits. 1 mark for trait, 1 mark for illustration = 6 marks)

(d) Peter Stockmann is concerned about the economic welfare of the community. (He opposes anything that may jeopardize livelihoods, but essentially he is protecting the economic class interests, not those of the common man. He is ready to sacrifice some for economic gain).

Thomas Stockmann, on the other hand, is concerned about the health implications of the baths to the community and the visitors (tourists). He is ready to sacrifice short term gains for long term, sustainable gains. (4 marks)

(e) (i) That he needs to be careful to transact everything through the established authority/follow proper channels.

(ii) The fact that his actions have consequences, some of which may be nasty.

(Expect both, points = 2 marks)

(f) Dr. Stockmann challenged the Mayor to prove that he had ever used dubious or underhand methods./ Dr. Stockmann demanded that the Mayor name even one instance when he had used dubious or underhand methods. Dr/He asked him if he had at any time used dubious or underhand methods. (1 marks)

(g) Foregrounding is the action of emphasizing/making something stand out using linguistic devices. It is used to highlight important aspects of a text/invite interpretation.

- “.... at least not tonight”

He is waiting for the report.

- “... or, to be more accurate ...”

Respect or obey the authority (Mayor)

- “.... sooner or later”

The Mayor is threatening the Doctor.

- "...I, as the Chairman of the"

He is reminding the Doctor of his surbordinate position.

Also accept the following:-

- (i) The different positions the Stockmanns take on the timing/content of the article mentioned, though not exhaustively discussed in this excerpt/set the stage for sharper differences later. One already anticipates another article that would be current, apt and which would present the true position of the Baths. This happens and the new article alienates the brothers more.
- (ii) The confrontation between the Stockmanns we see in this excerpt sets the stage and mirrors the bigger confrontation and differences between them and their respective stands.
- (iii) The veiled threats of dire consequences unleashed by the Mayor point to and exacerbate the consequences Dr. Stockmann has to endure for his principled stand in the Baths matter.

- (h) - "at least"
- "Never seem to learn";
- "Dubious or underhand methods";
- "ingrained tendency". (2 marks)

3. (a) The poem is about a couple who rushed into marriage before they knew each other. The man discovers that he has been cheated when a child who is supposedly his offspring is of a different colour. The couple separate/Both die in an accident living the child helpless. (4 marks)

- (b) - The mother is unreliable/deceitful/unfaithful/dishonest/promiscuous/immoral/untrustworthy. - She wants the man to accept responsibility for a child that he obviously has not fathered.
 - She's calculating/scheming/conning.
 - She is irresponsible
 - She leaves no inheritance for the child - she has not introduced the child to any of his or her kin.
- 1 mark for identification 1 marks for illustration. (Any two traits = 4 marks)

- (c) (i) disclaimed - denied. (1 mark)
- (ii) The mother's husband is not the biological father of the child. (1 mark)
- This infuriated him for being cheated. (1 mark)

- (d) - The birth of a child should have consolidated the marriage yet it led to separation.
 - A pale child from a black father.
 - It is ironical that the child who is innocent is seen as illegitimate/He has not done anything wrong yet he is declared an out-cast.
 - An illegitimate child from a legitimate marriage.
- (Any one instance. 1 mark for identification 2 marks for explanation = 3 marks)

- (e) Attitude - pities/sympathetic: the casualty “the poor boy”
The persona recognizes that the poor boy suffers because of other peoples mistakes.
(2 marks for identification, 1 mark for explanation)=(3 marks)

- (f) They both died/they both passed on. (Any - 1 mark)

- (g) - All that glitters is not gold.
- Hurry hurry has no blessing.
- Look before you leap.
- When two bulls fight, the grass suffers.
- Marry in a hurry, repent at leisure.

(Any one proverb - 2 marks)

4. (a) (i) Difficult as it was, we completed the task. (comma missing = ½ a mark)
(ii) He denied insulting me./He denied/ having insulted me./ he had insulted me.
(iii) At no cost will I support your evil plans.
(iv) She is renovating her house with a view to selling it.
(4 marks)
- (b) I. The first sentence means “ the person also attended the ceremony in addition to those others cited while the second sentence means the person attended the ceremony in addition to doing those other things she did and which were previously mentioned. (1 mark)
- II. The first sentence advises the person to bring the umbrella only when it rains; the second one advises the person to bring an umbrella just to be on the safe side should it rain. (1 mark)
- (c) (i) put off;
(ii) take up;
(iii) gone down.
(3 marks)
- (d) (i) suitability;
(ii) inexplicable
(iii) unrecognizable.
(3 marks)
- (e) (i) would have passed;
(ii) would not have been overtaken;
(iii) will not be saved.
(3 marks)
- Total (15 marks)

4.1.3 English Paper 3 (101/3)

POINTS OF INTERPRETATION

- 1 (a) Must be a **story**. If **not** deduct 4 marks **AD**.

Must be illustrative of a situation in which timely intervention saves the day. The situation could be a crack in a building, flying in bad weather etc.

Some candidates may write on a situation gone awry because quick action is not taken.

- (b) **Expect a story**

Must be a narrative or descriptive composition. If not deduct 4 marks **AD**

Must end with the given sentence. If not deduct 2 marks **AD**

Must be a personal account detailing a situation in which a friend offers assistance/advice that makes a significant difference in the life of the writer.

2. **The compulsory set text**

Introduction

Change, even when it beneficial, is usually resisted. This is because people are more comfortable with what is familiar than what they do not know / In fact there is a saying that "It is better the devil you know than the angel you don't know" / In **The River Between**, there is plenty of evidence to show that people will not accept change passively; they resist it.

(Accept any other relevant introduction = 2 mark)

Illustrations

- Education is resisted. Those who are loyal to the traditions fear that it will corrupt their children. They are afraid that abandoning the traditions may have grave consequences for the community.

- Waiyaki who advocates for change and the introduction of western education faces much opposition from Kabonyi and others. They accuse him of being a traitor. His crime? Trying to reconcile the new and the old ways of life. pgs 14-15, 69-70, 85 - 88, 105-106, 113-114, 124, 126, 138 etc.

- Joshua embraces the new religion with fanatical zeal, but some members of his household reject his brand of Christianity and rebel. His family disintegrates.

- The changes brought about by the missionaries and the white men tear the community apart. There is rivalry and hatred. Some members of the Kiama even burn some homes belonging to Christians. pgs 5, 7-8, 28-29, 32, 67, 82-84, 96-97 etc

- One of the changes that evokes tension in the community is the attempt to proscribe female circumcision. Muthoni refuses to abandon this custom although she knows the consequences - her father disowns her. Nevertheless, she dies a fulfilled woman. pgs22, 24, 25, 32, 54, 56-57, 65, 66 etc

Colonial/new administration introduces tax, a government position and alienates land which is resisted by the Kiama who want to maintain the traditional governance through the Council of elders. pgs 30, 60, 61, 114, 123-124, 138, 143 etc

Leadership was a preserve of the elders but in the new order, younger people like Waiyaki take up leadership roles despite resistance from some elders like Kabonyi. This is eventually accepted. Pgs. 2, 3, 6-7, 20-21, 37-38, 78-79, 81, 91-93, 120-125 etc.

Conclusion

Changes that are introduced in Kameno and Makuyu by the coming of the European are not embraced without a fight. It is true that some people accept the changes but on the whole, the society is deeply divided. A once cohesive community is facing disintegration. Even a person like Waiyaki who is committed to serving the people is rejected.

(Accept any other valid conclusion = 2 marks)

Accept any 4 developed points = 12 marks

Grammar and presentation = 4 marks

The Short story

(20 marks)

3. (a) **Introduction**

Superstition does cause all manner of problems in society and in human life as we can see in Haruki Murakami's story "The mirror."

(Accept any other relevant introduction = 2 marks).

- Outlook: The narrator talks of "ghosts and the like" as the link between the world of the living and the dead. People who claim they have seen ghosts are superstitious. Others have premonitions and can predict the future. page 64.
- Elevator: When the narrator is in the elevator with two friends, the friends claim there was a woman standing next to him, the narrator. The narrator doesn't see the woman, but he wonders about the friends because he doesn't think they can play tricks on him.
- Superstitions probably reflect our wishful thinking and our desires. These friends "conveniently" see a woman wearing a grey suit (grey being a colour of ambiguous significance). page 64
- Fear/weird night events: The story seems to imply that superstition is associated with our fears. The narrator is a watchman" working at night (a time associated with fear). Before his strange encounter, he wakes up at 3 a.m. feeling (understandably?) weird. Pages 66 - 67

- Carefree: Superstition could also be associated with an aimless and wandering life. The narrator drops out of school, becomes a hippie, and roams the country, doing unstable jobs. And for two months, he works as a watchman in a school in a tiny town. These are ideal conditions for superstitious thinking. page 65
- The gate: Then there is the climate autumn. It is windy and hot. It is a time like this when your imagination can run away with you. The gate at the swimming pool keeps opening and closing, creating a rhythm that enhances the narrator's superstitious fear.
- Denial: Superstition makes us do unreasonable things. The narrator has not talked about this incident for ten years for fear that it might happen again. The narrator has lived without a mirror; he shaves without it. Pages 64-65, 70
- The Mirror: Superstition can make one hate himself/herself. In this story, it leads to a mild form of the so-called split personality. When the narrator is looking at himself in the non-existent mirror, he hates what he sees and the "other" loathes him.

He fears that if he looked in the mirror, he would have to confront something of himself that he doesn't want to confront. Pages 66 - 67, 68

Conclusion

Ghosts are products of our imagination and conditions in the physical environment. In the final analysis, the narrator is saying we need to come to terms with our inner selves in order to deal with the problem of superstition and fear associated with it. To deal with the problem of ghosts in particular and superstition in general, we need to understand our inner selves, resolve our internal conflicts, and come to terms with the external environment.

(Accept any other valid conclusion = 2 marks)

Accept any 4 developed points = 12 marks

Grammar and presentation = 4 marks

(b) The Play

Introduction

Ruganda interweaves the King of Termites story with the main story. Much of what Odie says of the King of Termites applies to and is representative of what the powers that be are and have wrought upon the populace.

(Accept any other relevant introduction = 2 marks)

AS PROLOGUE AND SOCIAL COMMENTARY

- Crashing opposition: Odie, the captor, addresses a captured and not quite vanquished King of Termites (opponent tribe of Termites) (p.43).
Social comment: Odie accuses the regime of annihilation of the opposition. pages 14, 46-47.
- Indifference: Odie relates the events happening outside in the real world,

directly to and perhaps attributes them to the King of Termites. (pp2 -3)

Social comment: Odie accuses the regime of indifference to the suffering of the people.

- (iii) Brutality: Odie's brutality and torture machines seem to mirror and exceed the torment and torture he underwent. He even ascribes it to the colonial masters in the regimes previous to the neo-colonial regimes now toppled. (p. 3-6)
Social comment: Odie accuses the regime of brutalizing the people) p13-18)
Odie attributes his current circumstances to the regime. (p12-15,18)
- (iv) Torturing Wak; It represents and mirrors Odie's mental state and expresses what he could do with the now returned half-brother Wak. The possibility of imprisoning Wak permanently and subjecting him to a slow bloodless death. (p3, 22) (pp 9,15,24)
Social comment: Odie has tools of torture: ice cubes, burnsen burner, which brings out what he intends to mete out on Wak. Just as the regime tortures its citizens.
- (v) Wak's insensitivity: Odie compares and even equates the returnee brother, Wak, to the King of Termites and declares he should be shot. (p13)
Social comment: Odie accuses Wak of being insensitive to their suffering.
Odie accuses the regime of being insensitive to their suffering.
- (vi) Projection: It is a projection - What Odie cannot do to the current regime he metes out to the King of Temites.
Social comment: Odie harbours resentment and anger against the regime in what he says of Major General Ali. (p29 - 32).

Conclusion

Although the episodes involving Odie with the King of Termites may seem irrelevant diversions of a person mentally deranged, they provide a clue to and point to the main action of the play. They also provide relevant points and commentary on the situation obtaining in the general society, and provide the characters with occasion to comment on and play out their roles.

(Accept any other relevant conclusion = 2 marks)

Expect 4 well developed points marks = 12 marks)

Prologue and commentary must correspond

Grammar and presentation = 4 marks

3. (c) The Novel

Introduction

This saying illustrates that there are usually clear early signs of what a child will grow into. There is an aura of mystery about Kahu's life, and as she grows she distinguishes herself by exhibiting unique qualities.

(Accept any other relevant introduction = 2 marks)

- Birth: Kahu's birth caused a stir. Koro Apirana was disappointed it was a girl, but Nani Flowers was happy. Her mother died after she was born but she survived. Pages 12 - 13, 22, 26
- Naming: Though a girl, she was given the name Kahutia Te Rangi - a man's name. This was the name of the great ancestral whale rider. 'Her birth cord was buried "in the sight of Kahutia Te Rangi" - for the great ancestor to watch over her (pg 17). After the burial of her birth cord, Rawiri saw something like a small spear flying through the air, and he heard the whale sounding. Pages 14- 18, 22, 118
- Love: Kahu had a very strong attraction to her great-grand father that could not be cut by the latter's negative attitude. She also resembled her great-grandfather.
- Big Toe: She bit the big toe of her great grandfather -which is what the great grandfather did as part of the test to qualify as the leader. Pages 26-28, 177-118.
- Instructions: She was interested in the instructions that Koro Apirana was giving to the men and boys. Pages 30, 37, 38.
- Sea creatures: From very early she seems to have a connection with sea creatures - for example: when Koro Apirana tells the ancestral tale about whales, and when she attends the movie. Pages 34, 35, 72-73, 80, 116.
- The Stone: When Koro Apirana gives the boys the test of finding a stone dropped in the ocean and they can't find it, it is Kahu who finds it.
- The Sacred Whale: Finally it is Kahu who communicates with the whales and riding the sacred whale leads the whales to safety/saves the tribe. Pages 80, 85-86, 92 - 93, 101 - 103, 10, 107, 117-118, 120 - 122.
- Culture: Kahu has a special liking for Maori food (p26) and she also shines in the cultural event at school that is based on the Maori culture (p68-69)

The candidate should demonstrate awareness not only of the events but of the significance of the events to culture and leadership.

Conclusion

Right from birth there are indicators that Kahu, though a girl, is set apart for something big. It's no wonder then that she finally rescues the whales and brings hope to her people.

Accept any other valid conclusion = 2 marks

Accept any four well developed points = 12 marks

Grammar and conclusion = 4 marks

