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*Do **not** open this booklet until you are told to do so. While you are waiting, read and observe the following instructions carefully. Write your **name and index number in ink** in the spaces provided above.*

*This booklet consists of two papers. Answer Paper 2 which comes first, in your answer booklet and Paper 1 on your Objective Test answer sheet. Paper 2 will last 1 hour 10 minutes after which the answer booklet will be collected. Do **not** start Paper 1 until you are told to do so. Paper 1 will last 35 minutes.*

PAPER 2
ESSAY

hour 10 minutes

This Paper consists of **three** parts: **A, B and C**. Answer **three** questions in all; **one** question from Part A and **all** the questions in Parts **B** and Part **C**. Answer all the questions in your answer booklet.

Credit will be given for clarity of expression and orderly presentation of material.

PART A
ESSAY WRITING
[30 marks]

Answer **one** question **only** from this part
Your composition should be about **250** words long.

1. Write a letter to your uncle in another town telling him how you enjoyed the holidays that you last spent with him.
2. Your school has recently organised an excursion to an interesting place for you the students. Describe this place clearly giving two benefits that you have got from it.
3. Your parents have held a birthday party for you recently. Describe what happened.

PART B
COMPREHENSION

4. Read the following passage and answer the questions in the margin.

The driver of the commercial vehicle popularly known as "tro-tro" in Ghana pulled up at the bus stop. The conductor popularly known in Ghana as "di-ivei's mate" started shouting "Kaneshie! Kaneshie! Kaneshie!!!" Passengers kept boarding the bus and the bus soon got full with passengers. The bus then started moving towards its destination. The mate dressed shabbily. His body was profusely oiled. A bad odour particularly emanated from his armpit. He started prompting the passengers in order to collect the fares. "Yes, yes, yes," he screamed to draw the attention of the passengers so that he could collect the money.

A gentleman who usually carries his money. The driver's mate, not long after receiving the money, also passed on the change to the gentleman with the aid of other passengers who were sitting in the middle seats. The gentleman, after checking the change, complained about it. He probably felt that the mate might have cheated him.

Not long after the complaint, the gentleman started talking to the driver's mate even though more and asking the driver to give him a discount. The mate talked back at him. The two soon started arguing at each other like wild dogs. Other passengers whose conviction was on the side of the gentleman thought the mate might have cheated him. The noise in the bus became deafening. It had to take the driver's intervention for calm to be restored in the bus. Passengers went to their various destinations alighted while new ones got onto the bus as it moved on. The bus finally reached Kamechi.

- (a) Quote four sentences that show the mate's attitude.
- (b) How did the conductor give the change to the gentleman?
- (c) (i) Why did the misunderstanding arise in the bus?
(ii) How did the misunderstanding become big?
- (d) How was the misunderstanding solved?
- (e) Explain, in your own words, the following expressions as used in the passage:
 - (i) pulled up
 - (ii) talking on top of his voice
 - (iii) talked back at
 - (iv) whose conviction was on the side of the gentleman.

- (f) For **each** of the following words, give another word or phrase that **means the same** and can fit in the passage:
- (i) shabbily;
 - (ii) smelly;
 - (iii) odour;
 - (iv) help;
 - (v) believed;
 - (vi) various;
 - (vii) alighted;
 - (viii) finally;

PART C
LITERATURE
[10 marks]

Answer all the questions in this part.

SACKEY J.A and DARMANI L. (COMP.): *The Cockerow*

5. Questions 5(a) and 5(b) are based on Merrill Corney's *Debbie, Sandy and Pepe*.

MERRILL CORNEY: *Debbie, Sandy and Pepe*

Debbie couldn't concentrate on her lesson that day. Her mind was filled with plans for Pepe. She and Sandra met behind the shed at lunchtime and spent most of the break searching for fresh worms, insects and seeds."
(Page 10)

- (a) The character showed by Debbie and Sandra in the extract is

Read the following extract carefully and answer Question 5(b)

Oh! Please, please, Mrs. Atkins, I have to get home fast and feed this baby bird we found yesterday."
(Page 10)

- (b) Identify the figure of speech involved in the following:
- (i) Please, please
 - (ii) baby bird

CHARLES DICKENS: *Oliver Twist*

Read the following extract carefully and answer Questions 5(c)

"The judge saw the look of horror on Oliver's face and his teary eyes"
(Page 105)

- (c) The feeling that Oliver had at that moment was

Read the following extract carefully and answer Question 5 (d).

ERNEST HEMMINGWAY: *A Day's Wait*

"You aren't going to die. What is the matter with you?"
"Oh yes, I am. I heard him say a hundred and two."
"People don't die with fever of one hundred and two. That's a silly-way to talk."
(Page 89)

- (d) The dominant theme in the above extract is that of

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Read the following extract carefully and answer questions 5(e)

THE OLD MAN AND HIS CHILDREN: *As Retold By Jean Watson*

“It went spinning madly away and Njoroge shouted and lashed out angrily at his brother . Soon blows and insults were flying to and fro between the two boys.”
(Page 17)

- (e) What does the underlined expression suggest was going on between the two boys?

KOBENA EYI ACQUAH (Osofopon S.B Esamuah): *A Wreath of Tears*

Read the following extract and answer question 5(f)

Instead
from the garden of memory
suddenly blooming as with first rains”

(Page 99)

- (f) (i) Which literary device are used in *from the garden of memory*?
(ii) “blooming as with first rains” is an example of a literary device called

Read the following extract and answer question 5(g)

PETER PAUL ADOLINAMA: *Ripples*

“Sayibu Mba was well-known throughout Saga and even beyond. His fame rested purely on his wealth, personal achievements and his reputation for marrying beautiful girls young enough to be his children. He was huge and his small eyes and wide mouth gave him a very severe look. He had a slight stammer and had no patience with people, especially his wives.”

(Page 80)

- (g) State **two** ways that Sayibu Mba was described.

Read the following poem carefully and answer question 5(h)

ROBERT FROST – *A Minor Bird*

I have wished a bird would fly away,
And not sing by my house all day;

(Page 185)

- (h) (i) The rhyme scheme of the extract above is
(ii) The persona in the poem wants to stop the bird from

AMA ATA AIDOO: *The Dilemma of a Ghost (ACT ONE)*

Read the extract below and answer question 5 (i)

Nana: Already naught slumber is stealing over my senses.

(Page 29)

- (i) What does Nana mean?

Read the extract below and answer question 5 (f)

“My spirit Mother ought to have come for me earlier. Now, what shall I tell them
who are gone?”

(Page 37)

- (j) The expression “them who are gone” refers to

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PAPER 1
OBJECTIVE TEST

35 minutes

Answer all the questions on your Objective Test answer sheet

1. Use 2B pencil throughout.
2. On the pre-printed answer sheet, check that the following details are **correctly** printed: Your **surname** followed by your **other names**, the *Subject Name*, your *Index Number*, *Centre Number* and the *Paper Code*.
3. In the boxes marked *Candidate Number*, *Centre Number* and *Paper Code*, **reshade** each of the shaded spaces.
4. An example is given below. This is for a candidate whose name is Winner Seyram BABANAWO. Her *index number* is 772384188 and she is writing the examination at Centre Number 77234. She is offering *English Language 1* and the *Paper Code* is 4510.

**BEST BRAIN EXAMINATION KONSORTIUM
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OBJECTIVE ANSWER SHEET.**

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6. Our father the electric wire because it is dangerous.
 A. broke
 B. cut
 C. disconnected
 D. switched off
7. The teacher says that Emelia an interesting story for the class today.
 A. have
 B. has
 C. had
 D. got
8. The children collected
 A. bags of stone
 B. bag of stones
 C. bags of stones
 D. bag of stone's
9. The man has arrested by the police.
 A. been
 B. being
 C. be
 D. of been
10. Ebenezer hasn't said the answer,?
 A. hasn't he
 B. didn't he
 C. did he
 D. has he

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11. The boys have a lot of water.
 A. dranked
 B. drink
 C. drank
 D. drunk
12. To our surprise, the ministers arrived time.
 A. with
 B. by
 C. on
 D. off
13. Before the last elections, gallons of oil given to the women.
 A. were
 B. was
 C. have been
 D. has being
14. The boys got a lot of
 A. information
 B. informations
 C. information's
 D. Informations'
15. Do not take any book that is not.....
 A. your's
 B. your
 C. yours
 D. yours'

SECTION B

Choose from the alternatives lettered **A** to **D** the one which is **nearest in meaning** to the underlined word in **each** sentence.

16. Fruits contain a lot of vitamins.
 A. hide
 B. have
 C. carry
 D. give
17. Teachers often guide students.
 A. ignore
 B. guard
 C. advise
 D. qualify
18. This book is weightier than the other.
 A. bigger
 B. stronger
 C. better
 D. heavier

19. The latest news is that they have closed down the school.
 A. current
 B. common
 C. perfect
 D. best
20. We saw John after the incident.
 A. accident
 B. chaos
 C. service
 D. event

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SECTION C

From the list of words lettered A to D, choose the one that is **most nearly opposite in meaning** to the word underlined in each sentence.

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| <p>21. Salomey <u>agreed</u> that Janet is her friend.
 A. denied
 B. accepted
 C. spoke
 D. feared</p> <p>22. Your letter <u>gladdens</u> my heart.
 A. pleases
 B. closes
 C. opens
 D. saddens</p> <p>23. The man told the <u>sorrows</u> of his son.
 A. pains
 B. joys
 C. fears
 D. worries</p> | <p>24. Some people live in <u>poverty</u> while others live in
 A. abundance
 B. joy
 C. peace
 D. healthiness</p> <p>25. The load is so heavy that it <u>weakens</u> my hand.
 A. breaks
 B. closes
 C. strengthens
 D. holds</p> |
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SECTION D

In **each** of the following sentences a group of words has been underlined. Choose from the alternatives lettered A to D, the one that **best explains** the underlined group of words.

26. The lesson will not start until 9:30am. This means that the lesson
- A. starts before 9:30am.
B. starts at 9:30am.
C. will start close to 9:30am.
D. will not start after 9:30am.
27. The boxer from Brazil threw in the towel at round four. This means that the boxer
- A. cleaned his face with a towel.
B. fell down.
C. knocked down his opponent.
D. surrendered to his opponent.
28. The watchman sensed danger at the back of the house. This means that
- A. there was death at the back of the house.
B. there was trouble at the back of the house.
C. there was a serious problem at the back of the house.
D. there was a cry at the back of the house.
29. She took one of the cookies, but I turned a blind eye. This means that I
- A. closed my eyes.
B. kept my eye as if I was blind.
C. pretended not to have noticed.
D. looked at her squarely.
30. The fire in his eyes shows that John means business. This means that John
- A. understands the business very well.
B. is focused about achieving a goal.
C. is angry with what he is doing.
D. is enjoying his work.

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