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MOCK PAPER

JCE English — Thuto360 mock paper

English Language · Form 3 · JCE

QUESTIONS	TOTAL MARKS	TIME ALLOWED
13	**44**	**90 minutes**

Name _____

Class / school _____

Date _____

Score _____ / 44

Instructions

A Thuto360 practice paper in the style of the national examination — not an official BEC paper.

Section A is multiple choice and is marked as soon as you hand in. Section B is written: your teacher marks it, or, if you are practising on your own, you mark it yourself against the marking guide.

Multiple choice: circle the letter of the right answer. Where it says "tick every correct answer", more than one is right. Written questions: answer on the lines given; the marks for each part are in brackets. The answers are on the last page.

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Section A — multiple choice

1. Choose the correct verb: "Each of the students ___ a calculator."

- (A) has
- (B) have
- (C) were having
- (D) are having

2. Choose the word that best completes: "The drought had a ___ effect on the harvest."

- (A) devastating
- (B) joyful
- (C) trivial
- (D) beneficial

3. Which sentence is a complex sentence?

- (A) I came home and slept.
- (B) Come here!
- (C) I was tired.
- (D) I slept because I was tired.

4. "A blessing in disguise" is…

- (A) something that seems bad but turns out good
- (B) a costume
- (C) a hidden gift
- (D) a religious event

5. Choose the correct preposition: "She is good ___ Mathematics."

- (A) at
- (B) for
- (C) on
- (D) in

6. Which sentence uses the semicolon correctly?

- (A) It; was late we went home.
- (B) It was late; we went home.
- (C) It was; late we went home.
- (D) It was late we; went home.

7. What is the meaning of "obsolete"?

- (A) Modern
- (B) Expensive
- (C) Hidden
- (D) No longer in use

8. Change to the active voice: "The letter was written by Naledi."

- (A) The letter wrote Naledi.
- (B) Naledi has been written the letter.
- (C) Naledi wrote the letter.
- (D) Naledi was writing the letter.

9. Change to reported speech: "Where do you live?" the teacher asked me.

- (A) The teacher asked where do you live.
- (B) The teacher asked me where I live?
- (C) The teacher asked me where did I live.
- (D) The teacher asked me where I lived.

10. Which figure of speech is used in "The wind whispered through the trees"?

- (A) Personification
- (B) Onomatopoeia
- (C) Hyperbole
- (D) Simile

11. Choose the correct form: "I ___ in Francistown since 2020."

(A) have lived

(B) lived

(C) live

(D) am living

Section B — structured questions

12. Read the passage, then write a summary of the ways people in Botswana save water, in not more than 50 words.

With low rainfall in most of the country, households in Botswana have learned to treat water as precious. Many families collect rainwater from their roofs in tanks. Grey water from washing is used for gardens. Taps are fixed quickly when they leak, and schools teach learners to close taps. In towns, Water Utilities encourages people to water gardens in the evening when less water evaporates.

(a) Content: relevant points. [5]

(b) Language: own words, within the word limit, fluent. [3]

13. Write a composition of about 250 words with the title "The day I will never forget".

(a) Content and development of ideas. [10]

(b) Organisation: paragraphs and sequence. [5]

(c) Language accuracy and vocabulary. [10]

Answers

Check your work after you finish. Multiple-choice questions score only when every right answer is chosen.

1	A	**2**	A	**3**	D	**4**	A	**5**	A
6	B	**7**	D	**8**	C	**9**	D	**10**	A
11	A	**12**	See below	**13**	See below				

Marking guide for written questions

Question 12

(a) [5] Any five: harvest rainwater from roofs; reuse grey water in gardens; fix leaking taps; close taps; water gardens in the evening; schools teach saving (1 each)

(b) [3] 3 = own words and fluent; 2 = some lifting; 1 = mostly copied or over the limit

Question 13

(a) [10] Clear narrative, engaging opening, developed events, satisfying ending; descriptive detail

(b) [5] Logical paragraphs, clear sequence, appropriate linking words

(c) [10] Accurate tenses, spelling, punctuation; varied vocabulary and sentence types