ELIMU254 HOLIDAY ASSIGNMENTS

Kenya CBC | Junior School | Grade 8

Name		**Class**	
School		**Year**	

DECEMBER HOLIDAY ASSIGNMENT 2026

GRADE 8: ALL SUBJECTS

INSTRUCTIONS TO THE LEARNER

1. Write your name, class and school in the spaces above.
2. This booklet revises the whole year. Do one block every two weeks: Week 1-2 revises Term 1, Week 3-4 revises Term 2 and Week 5-6 revises Term 3.
3. Answer ALL the questions in the spaces provided. Show your working where a question needs it.
4. For a multiple-choice question, circle the letter (A, B, C or D) of the correct answer.
5. Do the Religious Education section for your own religion only.
6. Ask a parent or guardian to mark each block using the answers at the back of the booklet, and to sign the plan below.

MY HOLIDAY PLAN

Block	Subjects	Out of	Score	Sign
Week 1-2	Mathematics, English, Kiswahili, Integrated Science, Agriculture and Nutrition, Social Studies, Pre-Technical Studies, Creative Arts and Sports, Christian Religious Education, Islamic Religious Education	177		
Week 3-4	Mathematics, English, Kiswahili, Integrated Science, Agriculture and Nutrition, Social Studies, Pre-Technical Studies, Creative Arts and Sports, Christian Religious Education, Islamic Religious Education	183		
Week 5-6	Mathematics, English, Kiswahili, Integrated Science, Agriculture and Nutrition, Social Studies, Pre-Technical Studies, Creative Arts and Sports, Christian Religious Education, Islamic Religious Education	187		

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WEEK 1-2

Revision of Term 1

MATHEMATICS (15 MARKS)

1. Work out -3 - (-8) + (-6). (1 mark)

A -17 **B** -1

C 5 **D** 11

2. Work out ¾ + 2/3 ÷ 4/9 - ½. (1 mark)

A 1¾ **B** 2 11/16

C ¾ **D** 2¼

3. The recurring decimal 0.454545... written as a fraction in its simplest form is (1 mark)

A 9/20 **B** 5/11

C 45/100 **D** 4/9

4. Given that $4.7^2 = 22.09$, what is 470^2? (1 mark)

A 2,209 **B** 22,090

C 220,900 **D** 2,209,000

5. Floors below the ground floor are numbered -1, -2, ... A lift starts at floor 4. It goes down 7 floors, then up 5 floors, then down 9 floors.

(a) On which floor does it stop? (2 marks)

(b) How many floors did it move altogether? (1 mark)

6. Work out 2/5 of 1¼ ÷ (½ - 1/3). (3 marks)

7. Work out 0.25 × 1.2 + 0.48 ÷ 0.06 and give the answer to 2 significant figures. (3 marks)

8. Work out the square root of 0.0081 plus the square root of 8,100. (2 marks)

ENGLISH (19 MARKS)

1. The most polite way to start a phone call is: (1 mark)

A "Hello, this is Amina. May I speak to Mr Otieno, please?"

B "Who is this?"

C "Give me Otieno."

D "Talk now."

2. The short summary on the back cover of a book is the: (1 mark)

A index **B** contents

C glossary **D** blurb

3. What is the plural of "mother-in-law"? (1 mark)

A mother-in-laws **B** mothers-in-law

C mothers-in-laws **D** mother-ins-law

4. Using the title to guess what a story is about is: (1 mark)

A summarising **B** skimming

C editing **D** predicting

5. Write a telephone conversation of six lines in which you call your aunt to ask her to buy you a dictionary. Use polite language. (4 marks)

6. Write a reading log entry for a book you are reading: title, author, pages read this week and one new word with its meaning. (4 marks)

7. Form compound nouns by joining a word from list A with one from list B. A: tooth, class, sun, black. B: board, room, brush, flower.

Write the four compound nouns. (4 marks)

8. Give three things you can use to predict what a short story is about before reading it. (3 marks)

KISWAHILI (16 MARKS)

1. Swali lipi ni la wazi? (1 mark)

A Ulizaliwa wapi?
B Je, unapenda kazi yako?
C Je, uko tayari?
D Je, umechoka?

2. Mabaki ya mboga yalitumika kutengeneza: (1 mark)

A plastiki
B mbolea
C chupa
D nguo

3. Neno lipi limeandikwa sawa? (1 mark)

A ngombe
B n'gombe
C ng'ombe
D ngo'mbe

4. Kiwakilishi cha nafsi ya pili wingi ni: (1 mark)

A sisi
B ninyi
C wao
D wewe

5. Mwombe mtu akusomee mahojiano haya, kisha ujibu.
MWANAHABARI: Bi. Akinyi, wewe ni afisa wa mazingira. Tatizo kubwa la taka mjini ni lipi?
BI. AKINYI: Watu hutupa taka ovyo, hasa mifuko ya plastiki na chupa.
MWANAHABARI: Kaunti imefanya nini?
BI. AKINYI: Tumeweka mapipa ya taka kila kona na tunatoza faini ya shilingi elfu tano kwa anayetupa taka barabarani.
MWANAHABARI: Wanafunzi wanaweza kusaidiaje?
BI. AKINYI: Wawe mabalozi wa usafi; waokote taka na kuwafundisha wenzao.

(a) Bi. Akinyi anafanya kazi gani? (1 mark)

(b) Taja hatua mbili ambazo kaunti imechukua. (2 marks)

(c) Wanafunzi wanaweza kusaidia vipi kwa mujibu wa mahojiano? (1 mark)

6. Taja njia mbili ambazo shule yako inaweza kutumia kutunza usafi wa mazingira. (2 marks)

7. Weka alama ya hisi (!) au ritifaa (') mahali panapofaa.

(a) Lo Mtaa huu ni mchafu mno (1 mark)

(b) Ngombe wa jirani wameingia shambani. (1 mark)

(c) Tulivuka ngambo ya mto. (1 mark)

8. Tambua aina ya kiwakilishi kilichopigiwa mstari (kilichoandikwa kwa herufi kubwa).

(a) SISI tulifagia darasa. (1 mark)

(b) HIZI ni glavu za usafi. (1 mark)

(c) WATATU walizoa taka. (1 mark)

INTEGRATED SCIENCE (14 MARKS)

1. Which of these is a COMPOUND? (1 mark)

A Oxygen **B** Iron
C Water **D** Nitrogen

2. Salt is dissolved in water. The boiling point of the water (1 mark)

A falls below 100 °C **B** rises above 100 °C
C stays at 100 °C **D** falls to 0 °C

3. Which of these should NEVER be used to put out a fire in a pan of burning cooking oil? (1 mark)

A A fire blanket **B** Water
C A damp cloth over the pan **D** A carbon dioxide extinguisher

4. Which of these is a compound? (1 mark)

A Oxygen **B** Water

C Copper **D** Carbon

5. Magnesium ribbon burns in air with a bright white flame. Write the word equation for the reaction. (2 marks)

6. Is the burning of paper a physical change or a chemical change? Give two reasons. (3 marks)

7. Use the fire triangle to explain how a fire blanket puts out a fire. (2 marks)

8. Write a word equation for each reaction.

(a) Magnesium burns in oxygen. (1 mark)

(b) Carbon (charcoal) burns in oxygen. (1 mark)

(c) Iron is heated with sulphur. (1 mark)

AGRICULTURE AND NUTRITION (21 MARKS)

1. A line of crop remains laid across a slope to trap soil is a: (1 mark)

A trash line **B** stone line

C terrace **D** waterway

2. The pipe that removes the first dirty water from a roof is the: (1 mark)

A overflow **B** gutter

C tap **D** first-flush pipe

3. A garden made in a sack filled with soil is a: (1 mark)

A keyhole garden **B** flower garden

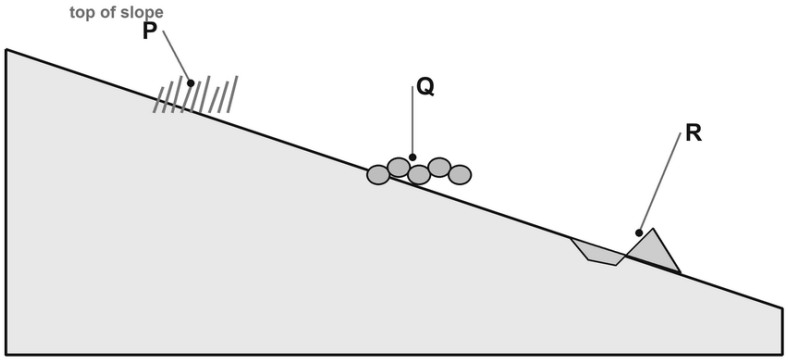
C multi-storey (sack) garden **D** orchard

4. A poultry fold is moved regularly so that birds: (1 mark)

A get tired **B** get fresh ground and grass

C lay fewer eggs **D** stop feeding

5. The diagram below shows three soil conservation structures built across a slope.



Structures on a slope

(a) Name the structures P, Q and R. (3 marks)

(b) Why are these structures built along the contour? (1 mark)

(c) Give one advantage of Q over P. (1 mark)

6. Name four ways of harvesting and storing water other than roof catchment. (4 marks)

7. What is a kitchen garden? Give three advantages of having one. (4 marks)

8. What is a poultry fold? Give two advantages and one disadvantage of keeping poultry in a fold. (4 marks)

SOCIAL STUDIES (17 MARKS)

1. Working on one's weaknesses to become a better person is called: (1 mark)

A self-improvement **B** self-pity
C pride **D** peer pressure

2. A person who thinks he is better than everyone else has: (1 mark)

A low self-esteem **B** healthy self-esteem
C no self-esteem **D** over-inflated self-esteem

3. The first step of a CSL project is to: (1 mark)

A write the report **B** celebrate
C identify a community need **D** buy materials

4. "Turkana Boy" was found near: (1 mark)

A Lake Victoria **B** Lake Turkana
C Mount Kenya **D** Mombasa

5. What is self-improvement? Give three ways a learner can improve himself or herself. (4 marks)

6. What is self-esteem? Name the three levels of self-esteem. (4 marks)

7. Give three things to consider when choosing a community service learning (CSL) project. (3 marks)