

MINISTRY OF EDUCATION

LITERACY AND NUMERACY ASSESSMENT (LANA) 2022

YEAR 5 LITERACY ASSESSMENT

Time Allowed: 60 minutes
(An extra 10 minutes is allowed for reading this paper.)

There are fifty questions in this Assessment. Answer all the questions.

INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Check that your name is printed at the top of your Answer Sheet, and that it is correct.
2. On your **Answer Sheet**, draw a cross in the box next to the letter of the **best** answer.

For example, if you select B as your answer, you should draw a cross in the box next to the letter B.

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3. If you change your mind, shade out your answer as shown, and place a cross in the box for your new answer.

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4. If you change your mind again and like your first answer better, shade out your second answer and tick (✓) your first answer.

For example:

33	A	<input type="checkbox"/>	B	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	C	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	D	<input type="checkbox"/>
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5. If your cross is too big for the box, or if you draw a circle, your answer will be marked wrong.

cross is too big

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circles are not to be used

34	A	<input type="checkbox"/>	B	<input type="checkbox"/>	C	<input type="checkbox"/>	D	<input type="checkbox"/>
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Your supervisor or teacher can help you with these instructions but will **NOT** help you answer the questions.

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1. Which list of words is in alphabetical order?

- A. family, hugged, basket, store
- B. store, family, hugged, basket
- C. basket, family, hugged, store
- D. store, hugged, family, basket

2. Litia was a **brave** girl because she saved the drowning boy.

Which of the following could replace the underlined word?

- A. timid
- B. courageous
- C. cheerful
- D. tough

3. Which sentence uses the apostrophe correctly?

- A. Anthony Brown is Peter Brown's son.
- B. Anthony Brown is Peter Browns' son.
- C. Anthony Brown's is Peter Browns son.
- D. Anthony Browns' is Peter Browns son.

4. Choose the correct words to fill in the blank.

There is too _____ in my tea.

- A. many sugar
- B. much sugar
- C. many sugars
- D. much sugars

5. Which preposition correctly completes the sentence?

Everyday, Miri rows her rowing boat _____ the river.

- A. across
- B. above
- C. under
- D. inside

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6. Choose the correct word to fill the blank.

Seru plays soccer _____ rugby.

- A. or
B. while
C. yet
D. and

7. Which word has the same meaning as the underlined word?

The movie was very exciting.

- A. boring
B. funny
C. interesting
D. enjoyable

8. What is the opposite of the underlined word in the sentence below?

Butterflies have colourful wings.

- A. dull
B. bright
C. colourless
D. attractive

9. Choose the correct word to fill in the blank.

What colour is _____ new car?

- A. their
B. there
C. they
D. they're

10. What is the correct question tag for the sentence below?

Many children do not respect their parents, _____?

- A. did they
B. didn't they
C. don't they
D. do they

15. The **adverb** in the sentence below is:

Semi can run very fast.

- A. Semi
B. can
C. run
D. fast
16. What is the long form of the underlined word below?

"What's the name of that school?" asked Pita.

- A. What is
B. What was
C. What isn't
D. What does
17. Change this sentence into direct speech.

Aman said that he loves singing while bathing.

- A. "I'd love to sing while bathing," said Aman.
B. "I like to sing while bathing," said Aman.
C. "I love singing while bathing," said Aman.
D. "I used to love singing while bathing," said Aman.
18. Which word or words correctly complete the sentence?

I _____ go for the swimming lesson next week.

- A. am
B. was
C. have been
D. will

Use the passage below to answer **Questions 28 - 29**

Bananas

The banana is the most consumed fruit in the world after the apple. The fact that it is on tables on the five continents may be due to its ease of use: a banana can be eaten anywhere without need for a napkin or a knife. It even comes wrapped in its own natural hygienic “packaging” – its peel – that protects it from contamination. But more than anything, the banana is one of the most nutritious and medicinal fruits that exists.

(Foods and their Healing Power: 2005)

28. According to the passage bananas can be eaten _____.
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| A. on a table | B. after eating an apple |
| C. anywhere | D. using a knife |
29. Bananas are safe to consume because it's _____.
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| A. wrapped in a napkin | B. peel protects it |
| C. a medicinal fruit | D. very nutritious |

Use the passage below to answer **Questions 30 - 31**

Shopping for Nutrients

Bruises and spots indicate the fruit has been handled roughly and is damaged. Avoid buying the fruit. Think of the stem as a ‘clock’ that is activated when the fruit is picked. Green stem with ripe fruit is good. Green stem with hard fruit means fruit is picked early and may be powdery when ripe. Shriveled stem means fruit has been picked long ago and will lack the flavour of fresh fruit.

(Foods and their Healing Power: 2005)

30. Which of the following will help you when buying fruits?
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| A. Bruises on the fruit. | B. Spots on the fruit. |
| C. Green stem with ripe fruit. | D. Shriveled stem. |

31. What type of stem will show good value for your money?
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| A. Shriveled stem. | B. Green stem with ripe fruit. |
| C. Green stem. | D. Shriveled stem with fruit. |

Read the passage below and then answer **Question 32**.

Fiji was ceded to Great Britain on October the 10th 1874. However, Fiji was able to gain independence on 10th October, 1970.

32. What does the underlined word ceded mean?
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| A. given | B. sold |
| C. taken | D. acquired |

Read the story below and answer **Questions 33 - 34**.

A milkman became very wealthy through dishonest means. He had to cross a river daily to reach the city where his customers lived. He mixed the water of the river generously with the milk that he sold for a good profit.

One day he went around collecting the dues in order to celebrate the wedding of his son. With the large amount thus collected, he purchased plenty of rich clothes and glittering gold ornaments. But while crossing the river, the boat capsized and all his costly purchases were swallowed by the river. The milk vendor was speechless with grief. At that time he heard a voice that came from the river, "Do not weep. What you have lost is only the illicit gains you earned through cheating your customers."

33. Who is the **main** character in the story?
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| A. The customers. | B. The man in the river. |
| C. The milkman. | D. The milkman's son. |
34. What is the moral of this story?
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| A. United we stand; divided we fall. |
| B. Do not count your chickens before they are hatched. |
| C. Work today and you can reap the benefits tomorrow. |
| D. Money earned by wrong methods will not remain forever. |


Read the passage below and answer **Question 35**.

Jack went out and got hired for the next day to a farmer for a dollar; but as he was coming home, never having had any money before, he lost it in passing over a bridge. "You stupid boy," said his mother, "you should have put it in your pocket."


35. What did Jack do with the money?

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| A. He gave it to his mother. | B. He put it in his pocket. |
| C. He gave it to the farmer. | D. He lost it. |

Read the passage below very carefully to answer **Question 36**.



TREES ARE FOR LIFE



Trees bring us a lot of good things. They give us clean air, shades, houses and many more. Without trees there will be more floods, more landslides and more heat from the sun.

So! The more trees we plant, the better we can protect our Fiji.
Go Fiji! Go Green!

36. According to the passage, we should _____.

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| A. plant more trees | B. build more houses |
| C. do away with trees | D. paint ourselves green |

Read the story and then answer **Question 37**.

THE OBEDIENT BOY

A farmer was once working near his house. He noticed a party of hunters who were riding their horses towards his corn field. He called his young servant, "Go to the gate of the corn field and shut it. Don't let anyone go into the field."

When the first hunter came, he told the boy to open the gate. The boy then told him that the farmer had told him not to open it. Another hunter offered some money to the boy. The boy kept the gate closed as his master had told him.

37. The **two words** which **best** describe the servant are _____.
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| A. responsible and faithful | B. faithful and irresponsible |
| C. irresponsible and unfaithful | D. responsible and unfaithful |

Read the passage to answer **Questions 38-39**.

Peni was born in New Zealand and came to Fiji when he was ten years old. He climbed his first coconut tree when he was eleven. After Peni finished high school, he went to a university.

Source: Anonymous

38. How old was Peni when he climbed his first coconut tree? He was
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| A. 9 years old. | B. 10 years old |
| C. 11 years old. | D. 12 years old. |
39. Where did Peni go after he finished high school? He went to
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| A. climb a coconut tree. | B. a university. |
| C. went to New Zealand. | D. spend the holidays. |

Read the passage to answer **Questions 40-41**.

School will start on the 11th of January, 2021.

Source: Anonymous

40. The purpose of the above announcement is to _____ parents.
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| A. persuade | B. threaten |
| C. inform | D. instruct |
41. The tone of the above announcement is _____.
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| A. informal | B. formal |
| C. authoritative | D. emotive |

Read the poem below and answer **Questions 42 and 43**.

CHOICE

1. Life in this world for man to
 Make his choice
 Where to go
 What to eat
 What to do
 What type of clothes to wear
 Which people say to be his friends?
2. Then he can say he wasn't
 Alone or left astray in this world
 He has friends
 He has food
 He has a place to sleep
 He has everything.

Mildred Sope

42. The poet is _____.
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| A. man | B. Mildred Sope |
| C. friends | D. people |

43. The synonym for the underlined word in the poem would be _____.

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| A. alone | B. found |
| C. lonely | D. lost |

44. What is the correct procedure of making tea?

How to make a cup of tea.

- 1: pour hot water in the cup
- 2: fill water in the kettle
- 3: add sugar and milk to taste
- 4: heat the kettle

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| A. 1, 2, 3, 4 | B. 3,2,1,4 |
| C. 2, 4, 1, 3 | D. 3, 4, 2, 1 |

Read the passage below to answer **Questions 45 - 46**.

THE CHRISTMAS ISLAND RED CRABS

Christmas Island is home to many **unique** species. The most famous of these is the Christmas Island red crabs. Tourists visit the island for the red crabs' annual migration to the sea to spawn.

At the peak of the migration season, the crabs cover the island so densely that they can be seen from the air.

45. Which word is similar in meaning to the word '**unique**' in line 1?

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| A. endangered | B. rare |
| C. extinct | D. wonderful |

46. The underlined phrase in the above passage can also be interpreted as

- A. the highest point of the migration season.
- B. the lowest point of the migration season.
- C. a very low point of the migration season.
- D. the midpoint of the migration season.

Read the story and then answer **Question 47**.

Mr and Mrs Devi lived in Nabua with their daughter Sarita. Sarita loved animals. She always wanted a pet but her parents could not get her one.

One afternoon when she arrived home, she was surprised to see a present for her 10th birthday. When she opened it, she found a puppy inside. She was **shocked** to see her new pet. She called the little puppy Roxy.

47. The meaning of the underlined word **shocked** in the story is _____.
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| A. happy | B. sad |
| C. angry | D. surprised |

Read the following passage and answer **Questions 48 - 49**.

One day, a man was walking by a road when he heard a cat meowing from the bushes nearby. The cat was stuck and needed help getting out. When the man reached out, the cat got scared and scratched the man. The man screamed in pain but didn't back down. He tried again and again, even as the cat continued to scratch his hands.

Another passerby saw this and said, "Just let it be! The cat will find a way to come out later". The man didn't pay heed but tried until he helped the cat. Once he let the cat free, he told the other man, "The cat is an animal, and its instincts make him scratch and attack. I am a human and my instincts make me compassionate and kind".

48. Where was the cat?
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| A. In a cage. | B. In a jungle. |
| C. In a forest. | D. In a bush nearby. |
49. What had happened to the cat?
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| A. It was stuck. |
| B. The passerby attacked the cat. |
| C. The man attacked the cat. |
| D. The passerby attacked the man. |

50. In the conversation given below, complete whatever the teacher will say.

Teacher: Good Morning, Seru.
Seru: Good Morning, Sir.
Teacher: _____
Seru: Sir, I missed my bus this morning so I'm late to school.

- A. Where are you going?
- B. Why did you not do your homework?
- C. Why did you not come to school yesterday?
- D. Why are you late to school?

THE END