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STANDARD

LITERACY AND NUMERACY ASSESSMENT (LANA) – 2024

YEAR 7 LITERACY

(Time Allowed: 60 minutes)

(An extra 10 minutes is allowed for reading this paper.)

INSTRUCTIONS.

1. There are 30 questions in this Assessment. Answer all the questions.
2. For multiple choice questions only, circle the best answer of your choice.
3. For short answers and writing questions, use the blank spaces provided.
4. Do not write in the column, **Scorer Use Only.**
5. Use either pencil or blue/black ink only.

TO BE COMPLETED BY THE STUDENT. Please write your details below.

Surname: _____Other Name(s): _____

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Student ID: _____

Your supervisor can help you with these instructions but will NOT help you answer the questions.

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Answer all the questions.

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A. READING TEXT

i) Read the following text and answer **Questions 1 - 4**.

Green Turtles

Female sea turtles come ashore at night to lay their eggs. They dig a hole in the sand for their eggs. An individual female nests approximately every 3 years, and lays between 70 – 100 eggs. After laying the eggs, she goes back into the sea. It takes the eggs 50 – 72 days to hatch but very few of the hatchlings survive and reach adult size.

Green turtles are widely harvested for meat in many tropical countries. An estimated 100 000 are killed in the Indo-Australian Archipelago each year.

1. When do female green sea turtles lay their eggs?

_____

_____

2. Female green sea turtles lay their eggs in the _____ . *Circle the correct answer.*

A. rocks B. sand

C. sea weed D. sea water

3. How many eggs can a female green sea turtle lay at one time? *Circle the correct answer.*

A. 3 B. 50 – 72

C. 70 – 100 D. 100 000

4. How many days does it take for the eggs to hatch? *Circle the correct answer.*

A. 3 B. 50 – 72

C. 70 – 100 D. 100 000

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B. SINGLE WORD ITEMS

5. Which is a flower? *Circle the correct answer.*

A. 

B. 

C. 

D. 

6. Susan is gardening. Which picture shows that Susan is gardening? *Circle the correct answer.*

A. 

B. 

C. 

D. 

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7. Which of the following shows that grandfather is sleeping? *Circle the correct answer.*

A. 

B. 

C. 

D. 

8. Riya is running. Which picture shows that Riya is running? *Circle the correct answer.*

A. 

B. 

C. 

D. 

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9. Which is a cow? *Circle the correct answer.*

A. 

B. 

C. 

D. 

10. Which is a boat? *Circle the correct answer.*

A. 

B. 

C. 

D. 

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C. LANGUAGE

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11. Which of the following words complete the sentence below? *Circle the correct answer.*

There isn't _____ milk left to bake a cake.

A. many
B. much
C. few
D. some

12. Choose the opposite of the underlined word. *Circle the correct answer.*

The visitor is a <u>wealthy</u> man.

A. wise
B. healthy
C. rich
D. poor

13. Which of the following words is spelt correctly? *Circle the correct answer.*

A. destinguish
B. distiguish
C. distinguish
D. distinguis

14. Choose the correct prefix. *Circle the correct answer.*

Jone _____ located his shoulder bones.

A. mis
B. un
C. il
D. dis

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15. Salote is drinking tea _____ the cup.

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Which of the following prepositions best completes the sentence above?
Circle the correct answer.

A. in B. from

C. on D. with

D. READING A TEXT

Read the following text and answer **Questions 16 – 21.**

Hard work means nothing to a hen. No matter what people say about the price of eggs, she keeps on digging worms and laying eggs. If the ground is hard, she scratches harder. If it's dry, she digs deeper. If it's wet, she digs where it is dry. If she strikes a rock, she digs around it. If she gets a few more hours of daylight in the barnyard, she digs for a few more hours.

Have you seen a pessimistic hen? Did you ever hear one cluck because the work was hard, the conditions were poor and some of her eggs were taken from her before they hatched? No. Hens save their breath for digging.

Source: God's Little Devotional Book

16. From the passage, it is clear that the hen _____. *Circle the correct answer.*

A. keeps digging B. keeps clucking

C. keeps complaining D. keeps crowing

17. According to the passage, if the hen was given extra hours she would

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18. What does she do if the ground is hard?

_____

19. Why does she dig deeper?

_____

20. Who is telling the story?

_____

21. The best theme for the story would be _____ . *Circle the best answer.*

A. honesty
B. love
C. patience
D. perseverance

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E. SENTENCE ITEMS

One afternoon, a little dog followed Martin and Jill home from school. It was fluffy and brown, with a head like a tiny lion's head. They did not know what to do. They supposed someone had left it on the street to find a new home for itself. But they were not sure their parent would let them keep it. They hid it under the back steps and gave it some milk and biscuits.

22. Why do you think the dog was following Martin and Jill? *Circle the best answer.*

A. It was their dog.
B. They hit the dog.
C. It wanted to bite them.
D. It had no home.

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A tree is a living thing just as you are. But most of them live longer than any of us. It breathes and feeds and grows. Some grow very tall indeed. You see the tree's leaves, its branches and its trunk. But down in the ground below, the tree has its roots which you cannot see. The roots take up the minerals that the tree needs from the soil. They also keep the tree from falling down.

23. Why is a tree a living thing? *Circle the best answer.*

A. It feeds like a person.

B. It stands up like a person.

C. It breathes, feeds and grows.

D. It moves like something alive.

Our planet, Earth, is getting warmer and this is causing climate change. Climate change may bring very hot or very wet weather. The temperature is rising because of an increase in greenhouse gases in our atmosphere. Greenhouse gases are gases that trap heat and keep it in our atmosphere.

24. The earth's temperature is rising because of

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For many years, scientists believed that the most intelligent animals after man were chimpanzees. Now, however, there is evidence that dolphins may be even more intelligent than those apes. Although a dolphin lives in the sea, it is not a fish. It is a mammal. It is similar in many ways to a human being.

25. How are dolphins different from other sea creatures?

_____

F. READING TEXT

Read the following text and answer **Questions 26 – 30.**

Rainfall brings smiles to farmers, vendors

Brief showers in Labasa have brought a sigh of relief and renewed hope to farmers and market vendors in the midst of the dry spell.

Although there have been heavy downpour in some areas of Labasa and brief showers in other parts of the northern town, farmers are glad that this has somehow assisted in the pasture growth for their livestock and water drums for their vegetable plots.

For Siberia resident, Parma Nand, he is a happy man.

Mr Nand said the rainfall in the past week has been quite good for his vegetable plots as most of his produce appear much greener and fresher.

Similar sentiments were shared by vendor, Bhagwan Wati, 49, of Tabia, outside Labasa Town.

She said with the rain it has really helped them on their farm land and the vegetables as well.

"The brief showers have really helped in filling of our drums so that we can water our plots later in the day," Ms Wati said.

"It is also lovely to see the presentation of vegetables when you walk into the market. They all appear very green and much fresher."

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26. According to the text, who will smile when it rains? *Circle the correct answer.*

A. Vendors and shopkeepers.
B. Farmers and vendors.
C. Shopkeepers and children.
D. Mr Nand and Ms Wati.

27. Why would vendors smile when it rains? *Circle the correct answer.*

A. The stock of vegetables will increase soon.
B. They have received a lot of money.
C. The farmers helped him plant vegetables.
D. The soil will be easy to plant.

28. Vendors are those who

_____

29. Why would farmers smile when it rains?

_____

30. What does rainfall mean to farmers around the world?

_____

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G. LANGUAGE

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31. What is the contracted form of the underlined words below? *Circle the correct answer.*

Who is the new class prefect?

A. Who'is B. Whose

C. Who's D. Who'se

32. Which word should be in the blank space? *Circle the correct answer.*

How did Sera _____ her letter?

A. wrote B. writing

C. write D. written

Tomu has only one sheep on his farm.

33. What is the plural form of the underlined word? *Circle the correct answer.*

A. sheeped B. sheep

C. sheeps D. sheepes

34. Sam went fishing _____ the strong wind. *Circle the correct answer.*

A. although B. despite

C. in spite D. because

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H. WRITING

35. Use the picture given below and write a story based on it. You may write brief points as a plan and write your final story in the space provided. Give your story a suitable title. Use about 150 - 170 words.



Source: https://www.dreamstime.com

Plan

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Final

Title: _____

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Plan	Title	Introduction	Content	Conclusion	Accuracy	Style

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