KENYA JUNIOR SCHOOL EDUCATION ASSESSMENT

GRADE 7 - 2026

ENGLISH PAPER 1

TIME: 1 Hour 40 Minutes

Learner's Name		**Assessment Number**	
School Name		**School Code**	
Learner's Signature		**Date**	
Learning Area	English	**Paper**	1

INSTRUCTIONS TO LEARNERS

1. You have been given this question paper and a separate answer sheet. This paper consists of 50 multiple-choice questions.
2. Answer ALL questions on the ANSWER SHEET provided, NOT on the question paper.
3. Do all the necessary rough work on the question paper.
4. Use an ordinary HB pencil.
5. Confirm that your answer sheet has your Assessment Number, Name, Name of your School and Name of the Subject.
6. Keep the answer sheet clean and dry. DO NOT fold it.
7. For each question, four options are given. The options are lettered A, B, C and D. In each case, only ONE option is correct.
8. On the answer sheet, show the correct answer by drawing a DARK LINE inside the box containing the letter of your chosen option.
9. Your dark line MUST be within the box. DO NOT make any marks outside the boxes.
10. For each question, ONLY ONE box is to be marked.

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Questions	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
1–10	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
11–20	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1

Maximum Score: 50 marks Learner's Score: _____ / 50

SECTION A: READING COMPREHENSION

Read the passage below and answer questions 1–6.

Good personal hygiene helps people stay healthy, comfortable and confident. One simple habit is washing the hands with clean water and soap. Hands should be washed before eating and after using the toilet because germs can easily move from one surface to another. It is also important to keep fingernails short and clean, bathe regularly and wear clean clothes. When coughing or sneezing, a person should cover the mouth and nose with a tissue or the elbow so that droplets do not spread to other people. Food should be covered and drinking water should be kept in clean containers. These small habits help protect individuals and the people around them.

1. What is one benefit of washing your hands before eating?

A. It makes food taste sweeter.
B. It helps prevent the spread of germs.
C. It makes people sleep better.
D. It removes the need to brush teeth.

2. Which action is most likely to reduce the spread of germs at school?

A. Sharing used handkerchiefs.
B. Leaving rubbish on the floor.
C. Washing hands regularly.
D. Avoiding drinking water.

3. The main reason for covering a cough or sneeze is to

A. make the sound quieter.
B. avoid disturbing a lesson.