JUNIOR SCHOOL EDUCATION ASSESSMENT

GRADE 8

TERM ONE 2025 OPENER

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ENGLISH

ASSESSMENT RUBRICS

Learning area	Performance	Exceeds Expectations (4)	Meets Expectations (3)	Approaching Expectations (2)	Below Expectations (1)
English					

SECTION B

TASK 3: READING COMPREHENSION. (10 MARKS) ***Read the story below and then answer the questions that follow***

It was a normal for the boys to spend the afternoon together, just walking and at times, looking after the flock of sheep. This particular afternoon, Musau, Riko and Buti were together on a farm. They were scaring birds that were destroying the corn. They liked doing it for it led to something else.

They had managed to hit two birds with the sling they carried and it is this made them decide to take a break. With the matchbox Musau had, they quickly gathered some dry wood and made a fire. It was while they were roasting the birds that strong wind started blowing smoke into Riko's eyes. He coughed repeatedly and rolled away and that is how the bush caught fire.

In minutes, the boys were yelling and running to the nearby homes for help which came almost instantly. The villagers liked helping one another before finding out how the problem started. Young men broke branches and helped to put out the fire.

"How did this fire start?" asked one of them. The boys looked at Musau not knowing if they should be truthful or not. Either had a consequence.

"We were lying low in the middle of the farm. We wanted to catch squirrels. Suddenly we saw birds flying from those homes over there" Musau said. He didn't even smile.