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Paper 1
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MATIGO EXAMINATIONS BOARD
Uganda Certificate of Lower Secondary Education
S3 END OF YEAR ASSESSMENT 2023

ENGLISH LANGUAGE

2 Hours

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

This paper has three sections: Section A, B and C.

Answer all the tasks in this paper

Answers to section B and C should be written on the answer sheets provided.

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SECTION	Marks	Initials
A		
B		
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Turn Over

**SECTION A:
COMPREHENSION (30 SCORES)**

Read the passage below and respond to the tasks after it.

Address climate change effects to ensure food security

EDITOR: On October 16, 2023, Uganda joined the rest of the world to celebrate World Food Day under the theme “Water is life, water is food, leave no one behind”.

This is coming at a time when Uganda is experiencing a fast-growing population which is expected to reach one hundred million people by 2050, according to World Food Programme report. The presence of third largest population poses further challenges to the country’s ability to achieve sustainable development goal two of zero hunger and food security at large.

Currently, Uganda is grappling with significant impacts of climate which include but not limited to changing weather patterns, drop in water levels and increased frequency of extreme weather events like floods as well as drought whose socio-economic impacts have not only wreaked havoc in many communities but have also threatened their lives and food insecurity. The government should, therefore, focus on addressing the inadequacies in addressing climatic risks that favour agriculture. It must also empower local communities who have been pioneers in carrying out agriculture to adopt climate-smart agriculture and food value chains.

[ADAPTED FROM: the New Vision, Thursday, October 26, 2023.

AUTHOR: Comfort Tusingwire, a climate enthusiast and environmental economist]

Questions

- a) Describe the impacts of climate change as presented in this passage. (08 scores)

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b) In your own words, briefly define what the term food security means. (03 scores)

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c) In about 50 words, briefly describe how climate change can lead to food insecurity in Uganda. (05 scores)

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d) How does a country's large population cause climate change? (04 scores)

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- e) “The government should, therefore, focus on addressing the inadequacies in addressing climatic risks that favour agriculture”. What does this statement mean? (02 scores)

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- f) What do you think Ugandans should do to ensure that there is zero hunger in the country? (08 scores)

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SECTION B

FUNCTIONAL WRITING (25 SCORES)

With the advancement in technology, modern communication has greatly improved in Uganda and other parts of the world. Besides the traditional mainstream media such as radios, televisions and newspapers, social media such as WhatsApp, Facebook, X (formerly Twitter) and Telegram have proved to be the most widely used and convenient means of sending and receiving information among people especially the youths. While all this is happening, there are many parents and other stakeholders who believe that social media is extremely harmful to young people and therefore they should not be given access to it. During one of the PTA meetings, you have been selected to speak to a group of parents and teachers about the need for the youths to embrace modern communication technology especially social media; write what you will speak to the parents and teachers. Do not forget to include the side effects of social media.

SECTION C: CREATIVE WRITING (25 SCORES)

Travelling to new places is fun, and many girls and boys find it very enjoyable. Right from the time of preparation to the time of the journey and back, it is always a nice and adventurous moment for many young people. Have you ever been on such an enjoyable journey with your friends? Write what took place.

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