ORDINARY LEVEL NATIONAL EXAMINATIONS, 2007

SUBJECT : ENGLISH III

DURATION : 3 HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Do not open this question paper until you are told to do so.

2. This paper consists of FOUR Sections A, B, C and D.
   - SECTION A: Comprehension and Vocabulary (30 marks)
   - SECTION B: Grammar and Phonology (45 marks)
   - SECTION C: Summary (10 marks)
   - SECTION D: Composition (15 marks)

3. Answer questions as instructed in sections A, B and C.
   Choose only ONE topic from Section D.

4. Use only a blue or black pen.
SECTION A:

Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions that follow:

The illusion of alcohol

Alcoholism has been defined as a disease, diagnosed when the ingestion of alcohol impairs the individual's normal behavior in daily situations and relationships. It is not necessary to become an alcoholic in order to be affected by a serious drinking problem. We need to determine who the drinkers are, why they drink, and the effects of alcohol on a drinker's health.

First, drinkers come from all levels of society. The typical drunk today has been identified as a bright business executive in his/her thirties, married and living with his/her family in a nice neighborhood. Drinkers fall into one of the following categories: the first type is the normal drinker. He/She drinks only occasionally and for perfectly innocent and harmless reasons; he could stop for a long period of time and never depends on alcohol more than he/she will admit. Having to do without alcohol is difficult and an unpleasant experience, although he/she will argue that he/she can cut it out with no difficulty. During this stage, the individual usually becomes a heavy drinker. The third type is alcoholic. He/She has lost control over his/her drinking, and one drink means another. Alcohol seriously interferes with every aspect of his/her life, even though he/she may not admit it.

Second, people drink for a variety of reasons. The reason for initial use of alcohol runs from experimentation to rebellion. Drinking now is more socially acceptable than in the past, so many people drink to be sociable. Others drink occasionally to relax at the end of tiring day. The businessman/woman often finds him/herself drinking at lunches, dinners and meetings to please his/her client. And many teenagers, as well as many enjoy the intoxicating effects of alcohol. Alcohol acts as a partial of total anesthetic on the brain, depending on the amount in the blood. Moderate amounts help to reduce shyness and feelings of restraint and relax nervous tensions. Young men see movies and television stars drink, and advertisements make liquor appear normal for those who want to have fun. People drink to gain relief from a difficult situation or to escape from facing reality.

Thirdly, alcohol has many long term effects on the drinker's health. As a food, alcohol supplies only calories. One glass of beer or a one drink of whisky contains about seventy calories. Thus, heavy drinking of alcohol causes the liver to become swollen and yellow with fat. This often develops into a serious condition known as cirrhosis of the liver. After long, excessive alcohol use, damage can lead to neuropathy or delirium tremens. Delirium tremens is marked by hallucinations, severe tremor, insomnia and great exhaustion. Extreme cases of long-lasting alcoholism may cause permanent brain damage and mental illness, requiring confinement in a hospital. Another more direct effect of alcohol is on the heart muscle itself. Deaths related to alcohol have been cited as the fourth ranking public health problem in America, surpassed only by heart disease, cancer and mental diseases. Heavy drinkers may be people of any age from...
any social level who drink for any number of reasons. But whatever the reason for drinking, long-term alcoholism can reduce a person’s life span by as much as twelve years. The only real cure for this problem is prevention through education.

COMPREHENSION (30 marks)

1. Answer True or False after each statement (1 mark each)
   i. All middle-management executives are heavy drinkers
   ii. Some people who don’t drink suffer from boredom
   iii. There are three categories of drinkers
   iv. A lot of people drink for social reasons
   v. Alcohol is the number one disease in America
   vi. Heavy drinkers are strong because they get extra calories
   vii. People who don’t drink cannot escape from difficult situations
   viii. One must be an alcoholic in order to be affected by alcohol
   ix. Alcohol can cause incurable diseases
   x. Alcoholism can be dangerous to health

2. Choose the letter corresponding to the right answer: (1 mark each)
   i. Alcohol becomes bad when
      a) you drink it
      b) you drink it once
      c) it changes your normal behavior
      d) you dilute it
   ii. Categories of drinkers include the following except...
      a) normal drinkers
      b) all executives
      c) every day drinkers
      d) alcoholics
   iii. An alcohol-dependent person
      a) Drinks normally
      b) Drinks only whisky
      c) Cannot stop drinking easily
      d) Needs alcohol for his health
   iv. The reasons mentioned for drinking include the following except......
      a) social reasons
      b) business
      c) enjoyment
      d) professional reasons
v. The text says that nowadays drinking......
   a) is not a problem
   b) is more tolerated than in the past
   c) has become harmless
   d) has become necessary in our society.

3. Referring to the text, choose the meaning corresponding to the words or phrases in italics! (1 mark each)

   i. ...... alcohol impairs the individual’s normal status
      a) suffers
      b) affects
      c) determining
      d) damages

   ii. Having to do without alcohol is a difficult and unpleasant experience.
       a) to manage without alcohol
       b) to forbid alcohol
       c) to work without alcohol
       d) to sleep without alcohol

   iii. ...... and one drink means another.
       a) all drinks are similar
       b) when you take the first drink it is difficult to stop
       c) one drink makes you drunk
       d) one drink is enough.

4. Answer these questions in your own words according to the text (12 marks)

   i. Mention three reasons why people drink

   ii. Write down two serious diseases caused by alcohol mentioned in the text.

   iii. Give two reasons that push young people to drinking.

   iv. Mention three body systems affected by alcohol.

   v. Mention two signs of neuropathy.
SECTION B: GRAMMAR AND PHONOLOGY (40 marks)

1. Choose the letter corresponding to the right answer: (10 marks)

   i. Why .......... angry with me yesterday?
      a) were you    b) was you    c) you were    d) have you been

   ii. Martin is an American but he lives in Kenya. He has been there...........
       a) since three years    b) for three years
       c) three years ago    d) have you been

   iii. I saw Mary at the petrol station when I was going to work this morning
       but she............
       a) don’t see    b) during three years
       c) hasn't seen    d) didn’t see

   iv. There is a programme on television I want to watch. It ........ in five minutes.
       a) starts    b) has started    c) will start
       d) will be start

   v. Grandma is always in the kitchen. She enjoys............
       a) cook    b) to cook    c) cooking
       d) of cooking

   vi. I wasn’t feeling very well but the medicine made me ........ better.
       a) feel    b) to feel
       c) feeling
       d) I feel

   vii. Please add a little more sugar in my coffee. There isn’t............
       a) some    b) any    c) enough
       d) much

   viii. The next meeting is ............... 15 July.
       a) at    b) on
       c) in
       d) the

   ix. Susan is ............. in her family.
       a) younger
       b) the younger
       c) the most young
       d) the youngest

   x. Yesterday I woke up three times ............. the night.
       a) at    b) on
       c) in
       d) over
2. Choose the right answer according to context: (5 marks)
   i. Peter and I were the ........ students in the class who could speak Swahili.
      a) one  b) only  c) single  d) alone
   ii. To ......the truth, I don't really understand Math.
       a) say  b) allow  c) admit  d) tell
   iii. There is ........ in trying to contact him as he is touring Europe.
        a) no way  b) nowhere  c) no point  d) nothing
   iv. Our telephone has been ........ for three weeks.
        a) out of line  b) out of touch  c) out of order  
        d) out of place.
   v. ..............of the two football teams scored a goal, so the final result was a draw.
       a) Neither  b) No one  c) None  d) Not any

3. Complete this conversation using the right tense of the verb in brackets. (10 marks)
   A. That watch looks nice. Where .......... (you, buy) it?
   B. I ............ (get) it from a friend who now ...... (live) in America.
   A. I ............ (like) to go to America someday .......... (you, be there) yet?
   B. No, but I am planning to go next December. I ............ (go) there last year if I 
      and .......... (not fail) my English exam.
   A. ............ (Forget, not) to take warm clothes with you. Winter gets very cold there 
      and you.......... (need) warm clothes when you get there.
   B. Of course not, I ............ (buy) some clothes before I leave.

4. Finish each of the following sentences in such a way that it means the same as the 
   sentence printed before it. (5 marks)
   i. Do you want more coffee?
      Would you ................
   ii. What did he say when was stopped by the police?
      Tell me...........
   iii. Mondays and Wednesdays are the only days he goes to school.
      He only...........
iv. It is two days now since I started reading this book.
I have

v. You should not drive so fast in this wet weather.
You ought to

II. Phonology (10 marks)

1. One of the underlined vowel sound is pronounced differently from the three others. Write the letter corresponding to it.

   i. a) put b) but c) cut d) hut
   ii. a) gone b) done c) son d) won

2. One of the underlined sounds is pronounced differently from the three others. Write the letter corresponding to it.

   i. a) heat b) beat c) seat d) great
   ii. a) nose b) goes c) toes d) does
   iii. a) tough b) though c) cough d) enough

3. One of the underlined consonants in the following set is pronounced. Write the letter corresponding to it.

   i. a) knowledge b) assignments c) climb d) recognize
   ii. a) hour b) house c) honour d) heir

4. One in each of the following sets is stressed differently from the three others. Write the letter corresponding to it.

   i. a) remember b) potato c) together d) opposite
   ii. a) furniture b) sentence c) companion d) vegetable