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KENYA JUNIOR SCHOOL EDUCATION ASSESSMENT



TERM 1 2025 OPENER EXAM GRADE 9 – SOCIAL STUDIES

Time: 2 hours

NAME: _____

SCHOOL: _____

STREAM: _____ DATE: _____

INSTRUCTIONS

- a) Write your name, school, stream and date in the spaces provided above.
- b) Answer **all** questions in this booklet.
- c) All answers must be given as per the guidelines of the questions.
- d) All answers **must** be written in this booklet.

ASSESSMENT RUBRIC

RANGE (%)	LEVEL
80 - 100	Exceeding expectation
60 - 79	Meeting expectation
40 - 59	Approaching expectation
0 - 39	Below expectation

LEARNER'S SCORE

Out of 50	
Score	
%	

This paper consists of 4 printed pages. Candidates should check the question paper to confirm that all pages are printed as indicated and that no questions are missing.

1. What is a fossil? (2 marks)

2. State **three** reasons why East Africa is regarded as the place where man first evolved. (3 marks)

3. Define the following terms: (3 marks)

a) Population - _____

b) Population density - _____

c) Migration – _____

4. Give **three** main causes of population growth in Africa. (3 marks)

5. State **three** factors influencing self-esteem. (3 marks)

6. State **three** values that enhance effective resilience in life. (3 marks)

7. Give **three** situations that lead to conflict in life. (3 marks)

8. State any **three** non-violent ways of solving conflicts at school. (3 marks)

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9. State and explain **two** reasons why the Europeans came to Africa. (4 marks)

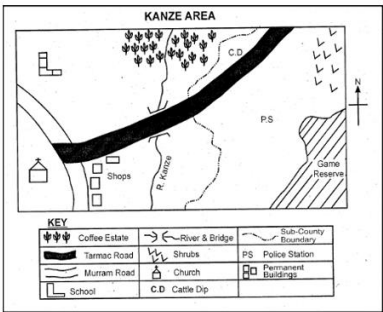
10. Explain how the following enhanced the growth of East African city-states. (3 marks)

- a) Monsoon winds.


- b) Deep natural harbors.

- c) Bantu migration and arrival of the Arabs.

11. Name the types of maps drawn below: (2 marks)



a) Thematic map



b) Physical map

12. Outline **three** elements of a map. (3 marks)

13. What do we mean when we say that human rights are; (3 marks)

- a) Universal -

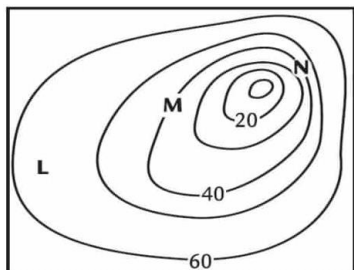
- b) Indivisible -

- c) Inalienable -

14. Convert the scale **1:100,000** into a statement scale. (2 marks)

15. Determine the contour interval of the terrain drawn below.

(2 marks)



16. Give **two** physical features that can be represented on topographical maps.

(2 marks)

17. Name any **two** pieces of equipment you can use to measure distance on a map.

(2 marks)

18. Using arrows, match the countries below with the region where they are found

(2 marks)

Liberia	Northern Africa
Namibia	Eastern Africa
Libya	West Africa
Central African Republic	Southern Africa
Kenya	Central Africa

19. State any **two** characteristics of desert climate.

(2 marks)
