

# FORM 1 MIDTERM 2 EXAMS

# ENGLISH

**TIME: 2 HOURS**

NAME..... ADM NO:.....

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## INSTRUCTIONS TO STUDENTS

1. *Answer all questions in this question paper.*
2. *All your answers must be written in the spaces provided in this question paper.*

## **ANC OFFERS KANU, ODM LOTS OF LESSONS**

On January , Africa’s largest, oldest political party- the African National Congress will be having her centenary celebrations. This would be a **gigantic milestone** for former South Africa Nelson Mandela’s party and it my passionate prayer he will be in a good shape to attend the momentous event.

The main event of the celebrations will be the presidential centennial gala dinner at Vista University in Free State to be hosted by President Jacob Zuma on January 7.

This will be a spectacle to **behold** Media **reports have** it that Zuma has extended official invitations to Kenya’s Prime Minister Raila Odinga and his deputy Uhuru Kenyatta to attend the January 7 event.

The ANC events provide us with an opportunity to reflect on the significance of our parties in shaping our country’s political, economic and social landscape. It would be **prudent** to ask ourselves whether our own political parties are anywhere in comparison to ANC. Have our parties fulfilled their mandate or have they only operated vehicles to ascend to power?

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## CONSCIENCE OF MANDATE

Raila Odinga sits at the helm of ODM, which is currently Kenya's largest political party while Uhuru is the chairman of Kenya's oldest political party, Kanu. The two are therefore important in Kenya's political landscape and deserve the ANC invitation. Kanu is currently re-inventing itself while ODM has just concluded its grassroots election in compliance with the new Political Parties Act.

ANC was formed on January 8, 1912 in response to perceived injustices against black South Africans at the hands of the then white South African Government and has remained strong to date. ANC basically delivered its original mandate when it led South Africa in ending apartheid after the successful and fully-representative multi-democratic elections in 1994.

This was a big plus for ANC and will remain etched in the minds of South Africans and the world in general for a very long time.

Kanu is also credited with leading Kenya into independence; however, its leadership later took a completely different path which was nowhere near her original vision. After assuming power, it immediately engaged itself in an amazing plunder of national resources through mismanagement, tribalism, cronyism and political patronage.

Today, Kanu cannot boast of the kind of exploits ANC will be parading on January 8. ODM should also be measuring itself against ANC.

Let this be an opportunity for Kenya's political parties to learn and reflect on what it means to exist for posterity.

*(David Sonye, Nairobi)*

1. Identify the personal pronoun used with ANC and KANU? (1mks)

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2. Name any two dignitaries officially invited to the event. (3mks)

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3. Give three reasons why KANU cannot boast of the kind of exploits as ANC (3mks)

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4. In a summary of about 25 words, write the lessons learnt from ANC. (3 mks)

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5. Explain the reasons why ODM and KANU were invited to the event. (3mks)

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6. Where was the main object of ANC? (1mk)

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7. The writer's presentation of this passage is , objective. Give two examples as is evident(5mks)

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8. Explain the meanings of the following words and phrases as used in the passage. ( 5mks)

i) Gigantic milestone

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ii) Behold

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iii) Reports have it

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iv) Prudent

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v) Etched in the minds

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**2 Rewrite the following sentences according to the instructions given after each.**

i) What was stolen? (Change into active voice). (1mk)

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iii) Shut the door. (Add a question tag). (1mk)

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iii) I have never seen a more beautiful girl. (Rewrite beginning: This is.....) (1mk)

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**b) Fill in the blank spaces with the correct forms of the words given in brackets. (3mks)**

i) Ndeko still wants more food even after clearing a whole plateful of ugali. His appetite is simply \_\_\_\_\_ (satisfy).

ii) After the inferno, the Roche's had to buy new \_\_\_\_\_ (furnish) for their house.

iii) The \_\_\_\_\_ (broad) of the material could not easily be established.

**c) Supply one word which means the same as the underlined phrases in the following sentences. (3mks)**

i) The meeting was postponed after failing to realize the minimum required number of members.

ii) The telephone rang without stopping.

iii) The lawyer treated all those who required his services with respect.

- d) i) Rewrite the following sentences replacing the underlined pa with the appropriate phrasal verb. (3mks)
- The circulated pamphlet made the meeting to be cancelled in the last minute.  
(call)
- ii) They hired this bus as theirs was declared complete loss after the accident.  
(Write).
- iii) I am surprised you cannot discover the deception in the lies he tells you. (see)
- e) Insert the most appropriate prepositions in the blank spaces. (3mks)
- i) Her performance was amazing \_\_\_\_\_ any standards.
- ii) Since he no longer runs the business, he has been reduced \_\_\_\_\_ begging.
- ii) Traffic was moving \_\_\_\_\_ a snail's pace.

**3. USE THE CORRECT FORM OF WORDS IN BRACKETS (5mks)**

- a) Ambere was punished for being.....(discipline)
- b) Most African countries suffer from corruption and.....(tribe)
- c) Last July, I had the .....of my life. (bad)
- d) She is very .....(quarrel)
- e) Your condition is.....so don't worry. (manage)

**FILL IN THE BLANKS WITH THE CORRECT COLLECTIVE NOUN. (5mks)**

- i. A.....of directors.
- ii. A.....of robbers.
- iii. A.....of chicks.
- Iv. A.....of students.
- v. A.....of news.

**UNDERLINE THE SILENT SOUNDS (5MKS)**

- i. Honour
- ii. Knife.
- iii. Debt.
- iv. Debris.
- v. Gnash