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The demand of this exam was comparable in demand to that of 2023 and students were generally able to access it well. The key message for this year is for the teachers to work on expanding the student's vocabulary.

Listening – 4SW2

Question 1

Multiple matching question where candidates were provided with pictures and had to identify which plant was being discussed. This question was accessible to most. Candidates should continue to familiarise themselves with the vocabulary list that is part of the syllabus as it is a useful tool for terminologies.

Question 2

Multiple matching question where candidates were provided with pictures and had to identify what means of communication was being spoken about. This question was accessible to many. Candidates should familiarise themselves with the vocabulary list that is part of the syllabus.

Question 3

Candidates were provided with a short set of lines to fill with words. This was done well this year. Candidates should keep on familiarising themselves with the vocabulary list and also practice listening Swahili. Candidates who did not know the meaning of the term 'idadi' – amount, struggled with 3A and those who did not know the term 'ajira' –employment, struggled with 3E.

Question 4

Candidates had to fill a grid where six speakers gave positive, negative or both positive and negative opinions. This exercise was accessible to many. Candidates should keep the good work.

Question 5

Multiple choice question which required candidates to listen attentively. Candidates must make sure that they read the questions during the time provided; this will make them aware of the options and questions asked and can then make an informed choice.

Question 6

This sentence completion exercise requires good listening so that candidates can select the correct word from the given choice. Candidates must understand what is said to be able to do this exercise well. It is advised that candidates familiarise themselves with the vocabulary given for the syllabus.

Question 7

Candidates were required to fill the advantages and disadvantages of employment. For the most part, this was done very well.

