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This was the fourth time for candidates to sit this exam. It is obvious that the students are now comfortable with the two exam papers.

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Question 1

Multiple matching question where candidates were provided with pictures and had to identify the correct letter. This year they had to identify the activity that is being done. Candidates did very well. 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 expected to pinpoint what was going on. Again, this question was accessible to many. Candidates should keep on familiarising 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. Some candidates had trouble with 3D where the response was that she was going to look for a job – atatafuta kazi, and not 'tafanya kazi'. All other questions were accessible.

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 and not select the distractor choices. Examiners wish to reiterate on the importance of reading questions before hearing the passage so as to listen to sieve the information properly.

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 did well on this question this year. Candidates are asked to remember that they are asked positives and negatives and should respond following what they hear rather than general knowledge.

