



THE KENYA NATIONAL EXAMINATIONS COUNCIL

SCHOOL BASED ASSESSMENT

SOCIAL STUDIES

Grade 5 - 2026

LEARNER'S NAME: _____ GRADE: _____

ASSESSMENT NUMBER: _____ DATE: _____

SCHOOL NAME: _____

INSTRUCTIONS TO LEARNERS

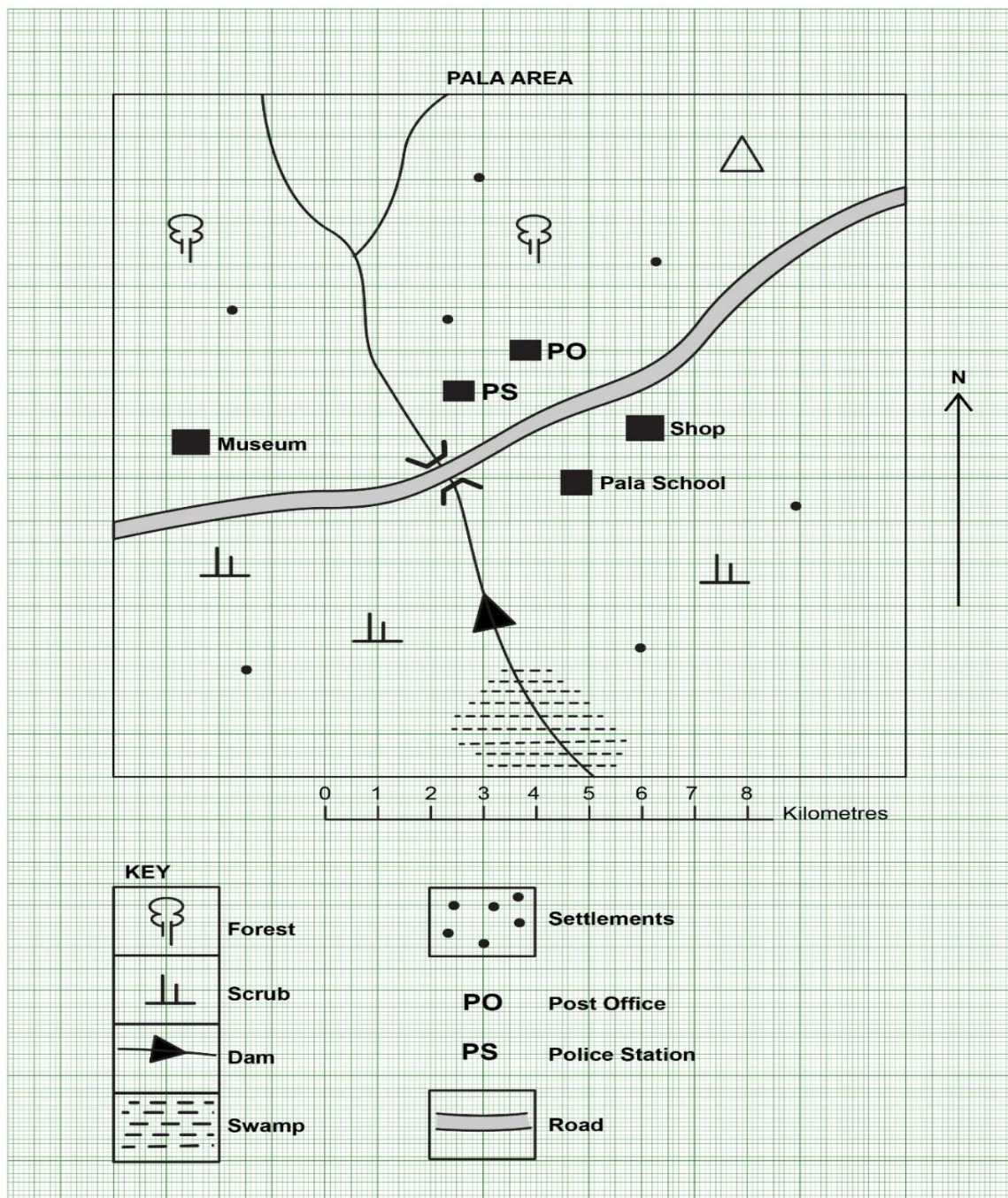
1. The paper consists of **16** questions.
2. Answer **ALL** the questions in the spaces provided.

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Question	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	Total Score	Max Score
Mark (s)	2	1	1	1	3	2	3	1	1	1	2	2	2	3	2	3		30
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A Grade 5 Social Studies teacher provided the learners with the map of **Pala area** below to use during group activities to answer the following questions.



1. List **two** elements of a map that the learners observed in the map of Pala area.
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..... (2 marks)

2. As the learners interacted with the map, they noted some drainage features on the area. Name **one** of these features (1 mark)

3. Grade 5 learners from Pala school visited a historic built environment in Pala area and interviewed the officer in charge on ways used to conserve it.
Which historic built environment did they visit?
..... (1 mark)

4. Learners from Kasuku school carried out library research on characteristics of main climatic regions in Kenya and came up with the following for one of them.
 - (i) The rainfall received is below 250 mm per year.
 - (ii) The skies are usually clear and cloudless.
 - (iii) Temperatures are high during the day and low at night.
This type of climate is called
..... (1 mark)

5. Your group used digital devices to find out the effects of high population density in Kenya and presented their findings in class.
State **three** effects your group presented.
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..... (3 marks)

6. Ken, a Grade 5 learner interviewed an elderly man in the village on methods of instruction used in African traditional education.
Give **two** of the methods he learnt.
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..... (2 marks)

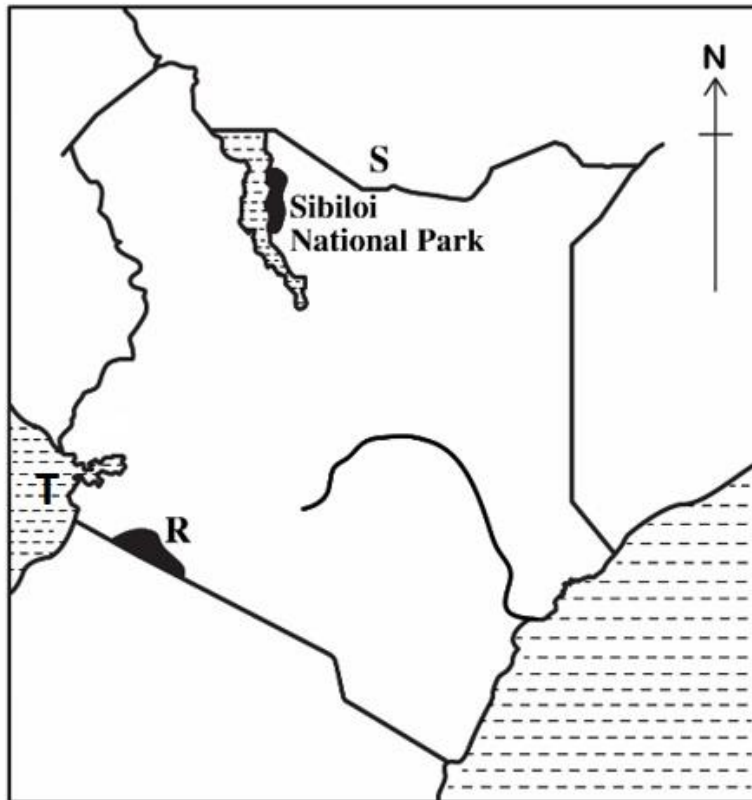
7. A Grade 5 learner displayed and used the photograph below during a group presentation on “Ways of using resources sustainably”.



Other than the water conservation method shown above, identify other **three** ways water can be conserved.

(3 marks)

During a Social Studies lesson, Grade 5 learners were provided with a map of Kenya below to answer the questions that follow.



8. The learners were asked to discuss the countries that border Kenya. They identified the one marked **S** as;
..... (1 mark)

9. The teacher asked Tina to name the fishing ground marked **T**. What response did she give?
..... (1 mark)

10. The game reserve marked **R** is.
..... (1 mark)

11. Grade 5 learners used the library to research on the contribution of fishing to the economy and shared their findings in class. State **two** of the contributions they shared.
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..... (2 marks)

12. While walking home from school, Dado a Grade 5 learner, noticed that some motor cycle riders did not observe all safety precautions as shown in the photograph below.



Apart from wearing helmets, what other safety precautions would the riders need to take while using this means of transport?

..... (2 marks)

13. During a visit in a museum, a Grade 5 learner took the photograph below of Kivoi Wa Mwendwa from a portrait hanged on the museum wall and later displayed it in class during a discussion on qualities of traditional leaders in Kenya.



Give **two** of his leadership qualities that were identified.

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(2 marks)

14. Amina a Grade 5 learner researched on the functions of council of elders among the Ameru and made notes.

State **three** functions she noted.

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(3 marks)

15. Learners of Papa school are always invited to sing during national days celebrations in the stadium at the county headquarters. Apart from these celebrations, identify other **two** factors that promote national unity in Kenya.

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(2 marks)

16. Grade 5 learners visited the county childrens office to learn about human rights.

While there one learner asked the officer in charge, “Which are the basic human rights in Kenya?”

List **three** of the responses the officer gave

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(3 marks)

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