

KCSE 2026 FINAL PREDICTION

HOME-SCIENCE

(PREDICTIONS TRIALS 1-10)

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KCSE 2026 FINAL PREDICTIONS

CONFIDENTIAL EXAM 1

441/1

HOME SCIENCE

PAPER 1

TIME: 2½ HOURS

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*Kenya Certificate of Secondary Education.***INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES:**

- Write your **name** and **index number** in the spaces provided.
- This paper consists of three section **A, B** and **C**
- Answer **all** the questions in section **A** and **B**
- Answer any **two** questions in section **C**.

FOR EXAMINER'S USE ONLY:

SECTION	QUESTION	MAXIMUM SCORE	CANDIDATE'S SCORE
A	1 – 19	40	
B	20	20	
C		20	
		20	
TOTAL SCORE		100	

SECTION A (40 MARKS)

Answer ALL the questions in this section in the spaces provided.

1. Suggest **two** ways of improving flavour of food when cooking. (2 marks)
2. Give **two** reasons for folding in flour in creamed cake mixtures. (2 marks)
3. Define the term disposal of fullness. (2 marks)
4. State **three** factors that affect the choice of a hem. (3 marks)
5. State **two** ways of minimizing wastage of detergents when washing. (2 marks)
6. State **three** reasons for using floor coverings in a house. (3 marks)
7. Give **two** factors to consider when choosing where to buy vegetables. (2 marks)
8. Mention **two** points to consider when selecting baking tins. (2 marks)
9. Explain the functions of a trap in a kitchen sink. (1 mark)
10. Explain why vitamin A deficiency is not common in most parts of Kenya. (2 marks)
11. Give **two** reasons for keeping potatoes in cold water as soon as they are peeled. (2 marks)
12. State the main purpose for blending fibre. (1 mark)
13. State **two** ways of caring for a suitcase. (2 marks)
14. State **two** qualities which make stainless steel unsuitable for cooking pans. (2 marks)
15. State **two** conditions which encourage the breeding of cockroaches. (2 marks)
16. State **three** dangers of excessive weight gain during pregnancy. (3 marks)
17. Give **two** qualities of a good advertisement. (2 marks)
18. State **two** roles of consumer organizations in Kenya. (2 marks)
19. Apart from nutritional deficiency, name **three** other causes of anaemia. (3 marks)

SECTION B (20 MARKS)**COMPULSORY**

20. You have been left at home to take care of your ailing grandmother who is down with tuberculosis.
- a) Outline the procedure of laundering her loose coloured cotton nightdress. (8 marks)
 - b) Describe how to clean her neglected wedding ring made of silver. (4 marks)
 - c) Write down the procedure of thorough cleaning a pair of muddy leather shoes. (8 marks)

SECTION C (40 MARKS)

Answer any TWO questions from this section in the spaces provided.

- 21.a) Giving an example in each case, state **four** reasons for using soft furnishings in the house. (4 marks)
- b) Apart from inadequate breast milk supply, give **five** other problems a mother may experience in breastfeeding. State the cause of the problem. (5 marks)
- c) Suggest **four** ways of reducing expenditure on food. (4 marks)
- d) Describe **four** qualities of a toy suitable for a six month old baby. (4 marks)
- e) State **three** qualities of a well-made hem. (3 marks)
- 22.a) State **four** reasons for using trimmings in garment construction. (4 marks)
- b) Give **five** points to consider when selecting a laundry bar soap. (5 marks)
- c) State **five** practices that are essential in the management of a child with measles. (5 marks)
- d) State **three** precautionary measures to take to ensure that cotton articles remain in good condition. (3 marks)
- e) Give **three** reasons for using interfacing in garment construction. (3 marks)
- 23.a) Suggest **four** ways of finishing the lower edge of a short sleeve decoratively. (4 marks)
- b) State **six** desirable qualities of baking flour. (6 marks)
- c) State **five** desirable qualities of fabrics for making chair backs. (5 marks)
- d) List **five** qualities of a well-made opening. (5 marks)

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HOME SCIENCE**PAPER 2****TIME: 2½ HOURS**

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HOMESCIENCE PAPER 2**CLOTHING AND TEXTILES****CONFIDENTIAL***Schools should provide the following for each student;*

1. Sewing thread to match the fabric.
2. Material 90cm by 70cm.
3. One large envelope.

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HOME SCIENCE**PAPER 2****TIME: 2½ HOURS**

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HOME SCIENCE**(Clothing Construction)****PAPER 2****PRACTICAL****TIME: 2½ HOURS****INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES**

- a) This paper consists of 2 printed pages.
- b) Candidates should check the question paper to ascertain that all the pages are printed as indicated and that no questions are missing.
- c) Candidates are advised to ensure that the pattern pieces match with sketches shown on question paper.

A pattern for making a child's dress has been provided.

You are advised to study the sketches, instructions and the layout carefully before you begin the test.

MATERIALS PROVIDED

1. Pattern pieces for the dress:

- A – Dress front
- B – Dress back
- C – Sleeve
- D – Cuff
- E – Pocket
- F – Cuff interfacing
- G – Sleeve opening binding

2. Plain light weight cotton fabric 70cm long by 90cm wide.

3. Sewing cotton thread to match the fabric.

4. One large envelope

THE TEST

Using the materials provided, LAY OUT the pattern pieces, cut out and make the LEFT HALF of a child's dress to show the following:

- a) The working of the shoulder dart.
- b) The preparation and attachment of the pocket.
- c) The joining of the shoulder seam using a neatened open seam.
- d) The joining of the side seam using a neatened open seam.
- e) The making of a bound opening of the sleeve.
- f) The joining of the underarm seam using a French seam.
- g) The preparation and attachment of an interfaced cuff.
- h) The preparation of the sleeve crown
- i) The attachment of the sleeve without trimming.

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HOME SCIENCE**PAPER 1**

TIME: 2½ HOURS

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- Answer all questions in section A in the spaces provided
- Section B is compulsory
- Choose any two questions from section C

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SECTION	Question	Maximum score	Candidate's score
Section A	1-39	40	
Section B	40	20	
Section C	41-43	40	
Total score		100	

SECTION A (40 MARKS)

1. Explain **two** ways home science relates to geography. (1mk)
2. Mention **two** ways the social need of a patient recuperating at home can be abused. (1mk)
3. Give **two** functions of Phylloquinone in the human body. (1mk)
4. State **two** precautions to bear in mind when a mother undergoes home delivery. (1mk)
5. State **two** precautions to take when using wood as fuel. (1mk)
6. Mention any **two** practices in the management of sprains. (1mk)
7. Note down **two** causes of missing stitches during machining. (1mk)
8. Differentiate between **hemming** and **slip hemming**. (1mk)
9. Suggest **two** preparations done to a fabric to be used for patching. (1mk)
10. Name **two** desirable properties of storage facilities. (1mk)
11. List down **two** laundry treatments which may be done during the rinsing stage other than starching. (1mk)
12. State **two** ways of reducing bulk in seams. (1mk)
13. State **two** factors that may make meat dry and tough after roasting. (1mk)
14. Highlight **two** factors that determine the specific nutritional needs of a sick person. (1mk)
15. Identify the correct direction to press the following **darts** during garment construction. (2mks)
 - (i) Front shoulder dart _____
 - (ii) Bust dart _____
 - (iii) Elbow dart _____
 - (iv) Back waist dart _____
16. State **two** factors that determine the depth of a hem. (1mk)
17. Define rechauff'e cookery. (1mk)
18. Identify **two** ways in which consumers can protect themselves from exploitation. (1mk)
19. Mention **two** things that can be done to storey buildings to accommodate the physically challenged. (1mk)
20. Give **two** ways of caring for a water closet. (1mk)
21. State **two** reasons why saucepans should have a thick base. (1mk)
22. Give **two** scenarios where mechanical ventilation would be necessary. (1mk)
23. Mention **two** reasons for storing food. (1mk)
24. List **two** points on the importance of basting in cooking. (1mk)
25. Differentiate between **ironing** and **pressing**. (1mk)
26. List **two** advantages of dry cleaning. (1mk)
27. Name **two** vaccines administered orally. (1mk)
28. State **two** ways of maintaining clothes. (1mk)
29. Mention **two** points to consider when planning and serving vegetarian meals. (1mk)
30. Name **two** types of electric lamps. (1mk)
31. State **two** reasons for blending fibres. (1mk)
32. Mention **two** disadvantages of canned foods. (1mk)
33. State **two** points to observe when taking body measurements. (1mk)

34. Highlight **two** reasons why weaning is done. (1mk)
35. State **two** factors that encourage the use of convenience foods. (1mk)
36. List **two** advantages of natural lighting. (1mk)
37. Mention **two** ways playing can be made enjoyable. (1mk)
38. State **two** ways of caring for a vacuum cleaner. (1mk)
39. Identify **two** ways of finishing the edge of the sleeve other than using a cuff. (1mk)

SECTION B (20 MARKS)

40. Explain the procedure of cleaning the following items before you resume school.
- (a) A plastic basin used by your sick auntie. (5mks)
- (b) A plain kitchen table used to cut raw beef. (7mks)
- (c) A long sleeved silk blouse. (8mks)

SECTION C (40 MARKS)

41. (a) Giving **two** examples differentiate between primary and secondary colours. (4mks)
- (b) Identify **four** problems related to breast feeding and their remedies. (4mks)
- (c) Explain the hydrolysis method of soap making. (4mks)
- (d) State **four** disadvantages of hoarding. (4mks)
- (e) List **four** general rules to observe when making flour mixtures. (4mks)
42. (a) List **four** functions of the Kenya Consumer Association. (4mks)
- (b) Give **four** reasons for heavy and close texture in creamed cake mixtures. (4mks)
- (c) Mention **four** ways of making a faced slit opening decorative. (4mks)
- (d) Highlight **four** advantages of complementary feeding. (4mks)
- (e) State **four** points to consider when choosing flowers (4mks)
43. (a) Explain **four** ways pastry can be kept cool during preparation. (4mks)
- (b) Note down **four** qualities of a well-made collar. (4mks)
- (c) State **four** advantages of hire purchase. (4mks)
- (d) State **four** ways of caring for a lactating mother. (4mks)
- (e) Explain **four** reasons why soft furnishings are used in homes. (4mks)

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HOME SCIENCE**PAPER 2****TIME: 2½ HOURS**

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CLOTHING & TEXTILES**Paper 2****Time: 2½ Hours****CONFIDENTIAL**

1. Light weight cotton fabric 70cm by 65cm.
2. Cotton sewing thread to match the colour of fabric.
3. Elastic cord 18cm long by ½ cm wide.
4. A4 envelope.

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HOME SCIENCE**PAPER 2****TIME: 2½ HOURS**

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CLOTHING & TEXTILES**Paper 2****Time: 2½ Hours***Kenya Certificate of Secondary Education*

A pattern of a blouse has been provided. You are advised to study the questions, the patterns Q the layout before you begin the test.

Materials provided;

1. Pattern pieces.

- A - Front bodice
- B - Back bodice
- C - Front yoke.
- D - Sleeve
- E - Collar
- F - Crossway strip

2. Light weight cotton fabric of 70 by 65 cm.

3. Cotton sewing thread to match the fabric.

4. Elastic cord 18cm long $\frac{1}{2}$ cm wide.

5. Envelop A4.

THE TEST

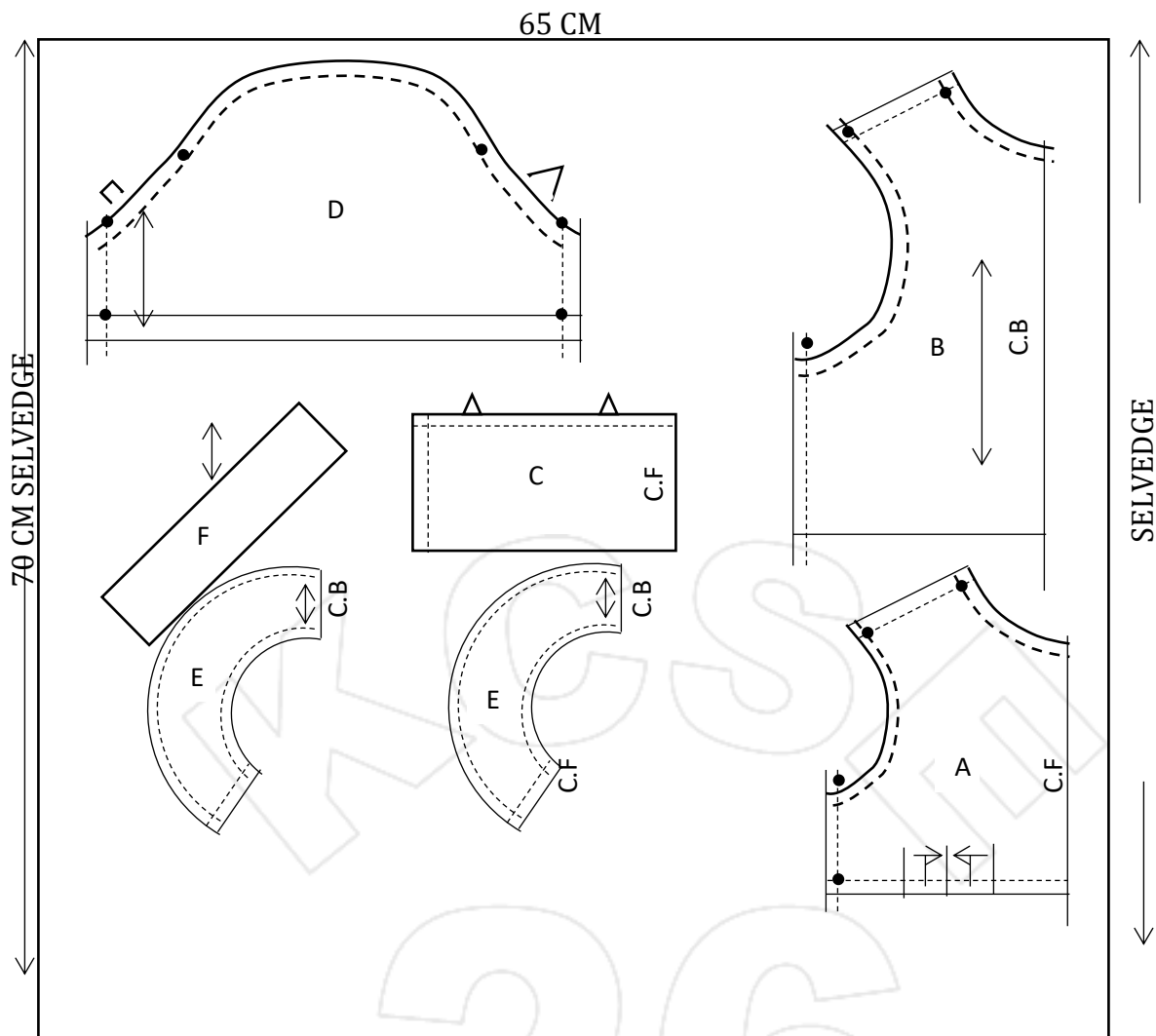
Using the materials provided, cut out and make the left half of the blouse to show the following;

- 1. Cutting out. (15½ marks)
- 2. Working of the inverted pleat on the front bodice. (3 marks)
- 3. Joining the front bodice to the yoke using an overlaid seam. (10 marks)
- 4. Joining the front bodice to the back bodice at the shoulder using an open seam. (6½ marks)
- 5. Working the side seam using double stitched seam. (7½ marks)
- 6. Preparation and attachment of uninterfaced collar using a crossway strip. (16 marks)
- 7. Working of the sleeve to include;
 - (a) Control of fullness at the crown. (2 marks)
 - (b) Joining of the underarm seam using a French seam. (6½ marks)
 - (c) Attachment of the sleeve. (4 marks)
 - (d) Working of elastic casing at the lower edge of the sleeve and inserting the elastic cord. (10 marks)

Don't seal the opening used to insert the cord. (10 marks)
- 8. Presentation. (6 marks)

LAYOUT (NOT DRAWN TO SCALE)

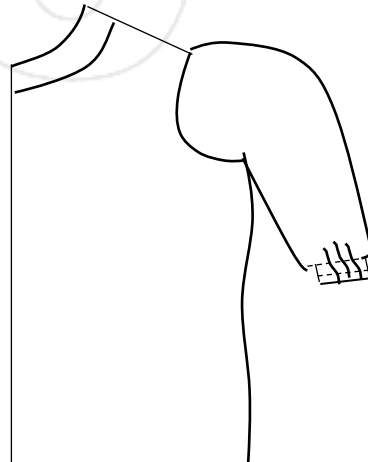
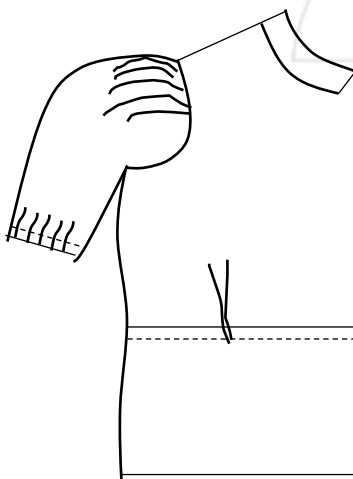
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KCSE 2026 FINAL PREDICTIONS**CONFIDENTIAL EXAM 3**

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HOME SCIENCE**PAPER 1****TIME: 2½ HOURS**

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*Kenya Certificate of Secondary Education.***INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES**

- Write your name and index number in the spaces provided above.
- Sign and write the DATE of examination in the spaces provided above.
- This paper consists of three sections A,B and C.
- Answer **all** the questions in sections A and B and any **two** questions from section C in the spaces provided.

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SECTION	QUESTION	MAXIMUM SCORE	CANDIDATES SCORE
A	1-15	40	
B	16	20	
C		20 20	
TOTAL SCORE		100	

SECTION A:(40MARKS) COMPULSORY

1. Stainless steel is the best material for making knives. Give two reasons for its popularity. **(2mks)**
2. Give the meaning of each letter in the acronym RICE in first aid. **(2mks)**
R.....
I.....
C.....
E.....
3. Mention three desirable characteristics of a duster. **(3mks)**
4. Give three characteristics of a well made French seam. **(3mks)**
5. List down four methods of neatening an open seam. **(2mks)**
6. List down three positive effects of advertising to a consumer. **(3mks)**
7. Mention three measures a person handling food should take to ensure the food does not get contaminated. **(3mks)**
8. State two ways of ensuring that fresh milk at home is safe for consumption. **(2mks)**
9. Saucepans should be covered when cooking. Give three reasons for doing this. **(3mks)**
10. Food can be contaminated through various ways. Identify three ways in which food can be contaminated by a cook. **(3mks)**
11. Give two reasons for use of each of the following items in laundry work.
i) Fabric conditioner **(2mks)**
ii) Salt **(2mks)**
12. Mention two ways of preventing infections in a baby through the umbilical cord. **(2mks)**
13. Describe three ways of reinforcing the end of a machine stitched dart. **(3mks)**
14. List down two functions of openings. **(2mks)**
15. Give three disadvantages of using charcoal when cooking. **(3mks)**

SECTION B: COMPULSORY (20 marks)

16. You visited your aunt and are required to help her with household chores;
a) Describe the procedure you would use to thoroughly clean a discoloured melamine cup. **(9mks)**

- b) Outline the procedure you would follow when cleaning water glasses (6mks)
- c) Explain how you would finish a white cotton table cloth. (5mks)

SECTION C:(40 marks)

Answer any TWO questions

- 17.**a) Explain four ways in which old newspaper may be used when cleaning a house.(4mks)
- b) Discuss five factors that may influence the frequency of cleaning a house. (10mks)
- c) Mention four types of information which may be found on the labels of goods. (4mks)
- d)** Describe any two types of drainage found in modern homes. (2mks)
- 18.**a) Discuss four factors that determine the method of cooking to be used. (8mks)
- b) Mention five causes of malnutrition in Kenya today. (5mks)
- c) Give three reasons for food fortification. (3mks)
- d) Mention two factors to consider when selecting fastenings. (2mks)
- e)** List down two qualities necessary for a fabric used for an apron. (2mks)
- 19.**a) Describe three physical changes that occur in girls during adolescence. (3mks)
- b) Mention four advantages of baking. (4mks)
- c) Give three reasons why a mother may decide to deliver at home. (3mks)
- d) Explain four dangers of teenage pregnancy. (8mks)
- e) Mention any two types of thread. (2mks)

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HOME SCIENCE**PAPER 2****TIME: 2½ HOURS**

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*Kenya Certificate of Secondary Education.***(CLOTHING CONSTRUCTION)****INSTRUCTIONS**

A pattern of a child's dress is provided. You are advised to study the sketches, the question paper and the layout before you begin the test.

MATERIALS PROVIDED**1. Pattern pieces.**

- A - Blouse front
- B - Blouse back
- C - Pocket Front shirt facing
- D - Collar
- E - Sleeve

NB. Interfacing for the collar should be cut from same fabric using the collar pattern.

2. Light weight plain cotton fabric 45cm long by 90cm wide.

3. Sewing thread to match the fabric.
4. elastic **12cm** long and **1cm** wide.
5. One large envelop and bodkin needle/safety pins.

THE TEST

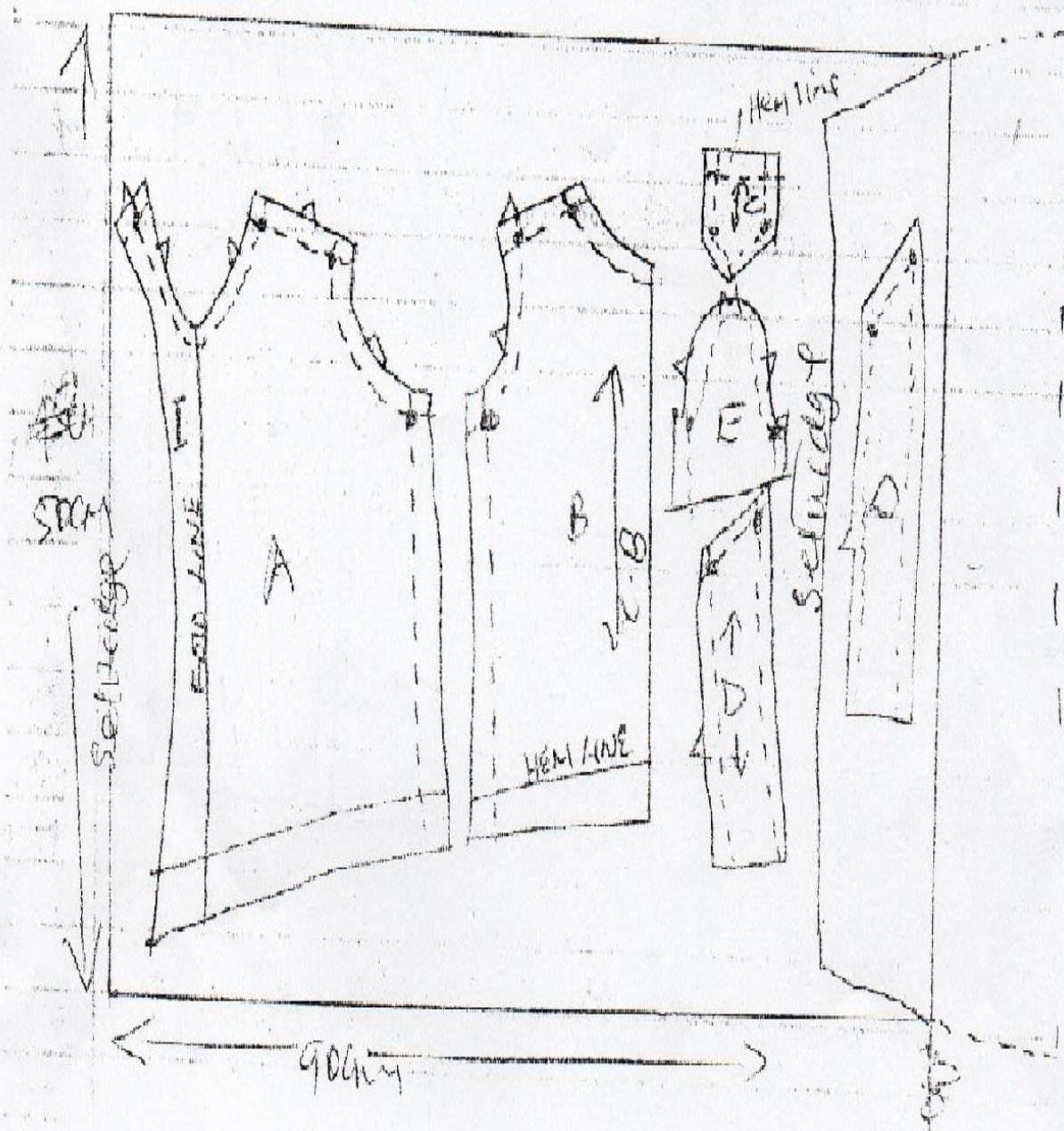
Using the materials provided, cut out and make up the left half of the blouse/bodiece to show the following;

- a) Making of a double stitched seam at the shoulder, on the RS
- b) Making of the side seam using an open seam.
- c). Neatening of the facing.
- d). Preparation of an interfaced collar.
- e). Preparation and attachment of the collar by sandwiching it between the facings.
- f). Preparation and attachment of the patch pocket.
- g). Management of the hem using slip hemming stitches (**blouse front only**)
- h). Making of a button hole by hand.
- i). Making a casing at the hem of the sleeve leaving an insertion gap of 1.5cm a centimeter away from the sleeve seam.
- j). The working of gathers at the crown of the sleeve.
- k). The attaching of the sleeve.
- l). The insertion of elastic without closing the insertion gap.
- m). Cutting of a straight tear and repairing using fishbone stitch.

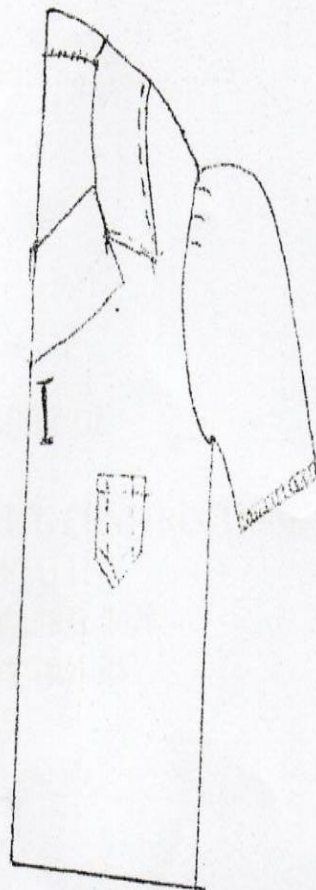
NOTE:

- At the end of the examination, firmly sew on your work a single fabric, a label bearing your name and index number.
- Remove the needles and pins from your work then fold your work neatly and place it in the envelop provided
- Do not put scraps of fabric with your work.

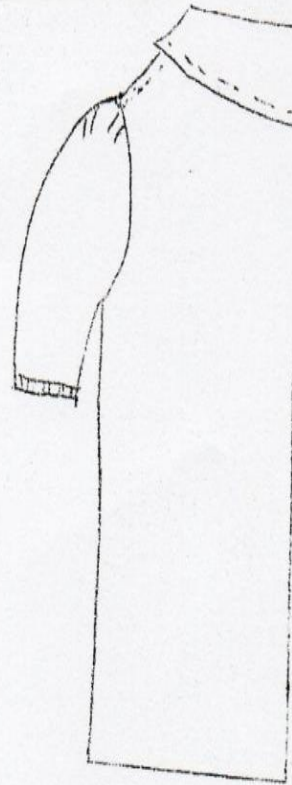
THE LAYOUT [Not drawn to scale]



FRONT VIEW



BACK VIEW



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CONFIDENTIAL EXAM 4

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HOME SCIENCE

PAPER 1**TIME: 2½ HOURS**

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INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

- This paper contains 3 sections: A, B and C
- Answer **ALL** questions in section A and B and **ANY TWO** section C
- Write your name and admission number in the spaces provided above.
- Sign and write your name in the spaces provided above.
- Answer **ALL** QUESTIONS
- All answers should be written in the spaces provided on the question paper.

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SECTIONS	QUESTION	MAX. SCORE	ACTUAL SCORE
A	1 – 40	40 MARKS	
B	41	20 MARKS	
C	42,43,44	40 MARKS	
TOTAL			

SECTION A (40 MARKS)

Answer all questions in the spaces provided

1. What is a dessert? Give one example (1mk)
2. Identify **two** types of vacuum cleaners. (1mk)
3. Mention **two** types of electronic money transfer used to pay for goods and services. (1mk)
4. State **two** symptoms of a person suffering from scurvy (2mks)
5. List **four** types of fabrics that are drip dried during laundry. (2mks)
6. Suggest **two** points to bear in mind when attaching buttons. (2mks)
7. State **two** advantages of owning a home. (2mks)
8. Mention **two** importance of melanin in the body. (2mks)
9. Give **two** reasons why lampshades are popular. (2mks)
10. What is the meaning of haberdashery (1mk)
11. Outline **four** ways of preventing cholera outbreak (2mks)
12. Identify **two** practices necessary for successful steaming in cookery (2mks)
13. What is the role of a 'U/S' bend in concealed drainage system (1mk)
14. Highlight **two** dangers of excess weight gain during pregnancy (2mks)
15. Identify **four** fabrics that should not be wrung. (2mks)
16. List **four** fastenings suitable for a toddlers garment. (2mks)
17. Highlight **two** benefits of studying home science to the community. (2mks)
18. State **two** reasons for blanching vegetables. (2mks)
19. Give **two** example of builders added to detergents during manufacture. (1mk)
20. State **four** advantages of regular cleaning of household items. (2mks)
21. Distinguish between raglan and kimono sleeve. (1mk)
22. State **two** characteristics of incomplete or second class proteins. (1mk)
23. Identify **two** immunizable diseases caused by viruses. (1mk)
24. Identify **two** situations when a lactating mother produces little or no milk at all. (1mk)
25. Name **two** areas in the house where light fixtures can be found. (1mk)
26. Define the following in relation to weaning. (1mk)
 - (a) Basic mix
 - (b) Multi mix

SECTION B COMPUSORY

27. Your sister has invited you to a stay with her over the holiday and she has an eight months old baby.

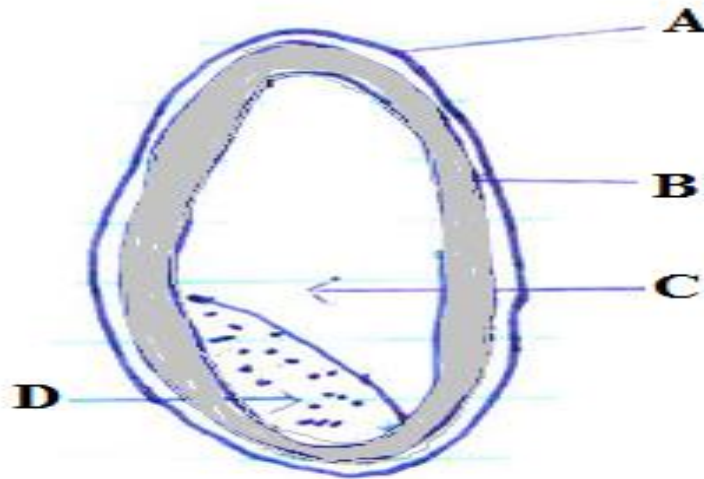
Write down the procedure of carrying out the following activities at her home.

- a) Prepare a cot for her baby (10mks)
- b) Clean her baby's plastic feeding bottle. (5mks)
- c) Thoroughly clean her calabash that she uses to serve porridge. (5mks)

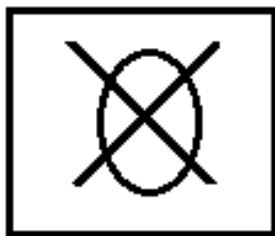
SECTION C (40 MARKS)

Answer any two questions from this section in the spaces provided

28. a) Explain 6 dangers of land pollution to mankind (6 marks)
 b) The diagram below shows a longitudinal section of a wheat grain



- i) Label parts A,B,C,D (4 marks)
 ii) Name two nutrients found in part A and two found in part D (4 marks)
 c) Outline 6 advantages of proper ventilation in a house (6 marks)
29. (a) Name 4 agencies that protect consumers and their functions (4marks)
 (b) Outline 4 preparations that one needs to carry out on a sewing machine in readiness for stitching (4marks)
 (c) Explain 3 nutritional needs of the elderly (6marks)
 (d) Describe 3 factors to consider when choosing a seam in garment construction (6marks)
30. (a) Explain three factors you would consider when choosing flowers for a flower arrangement (6marks)
 (b) Outline four practices to safeguard against occurrence of food spoilage and poisoning in the home (4marks)
 (c) Describe 4 qualities of well made gathers (4marks)
 (d) (i) Interpret the following care label symbols (3marks)



- (ii) Explain three things to show the importance of advertisements to consumers (3marks)

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HOME SCIENCE**PAPER 2***(Clothing Construction)***TIME: 2½ HOURS**

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1. Plain light weight cotton fabric 50 cm by 90 cm wide.
2. Sewing thread to match the colour of the fabric.
3. One large A4 envelope

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HOME SCIENCE**PAPER 2****TIME: 2½ HOURS**

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HOME SCIENCE**CLOTHING CONSTRUCTION****Paper 2****Time: 2 ½ hours**

A pattern of a girl's blouse is provided. You are advised to study the sketch, the question and the layout before the test.

MATERIALS PROVIDED

1. Pattern pieces

- A - BLOUSE FRONT
- B - BLOUSE BACK
- C - FRONT YOKE
- D - FRONT FRILL
- E - BACK FRILL
- F - BACK NECK FACING

2. Plain light weight cotton fabric 50 cm by 90 cm wide.
3. Sewing thread to match the colour of the fabric.
4. One large envelope.

THE TEST

Using the materials provided, cut out and make up the **RIGHT HALF** of the child's blouse to show the following.

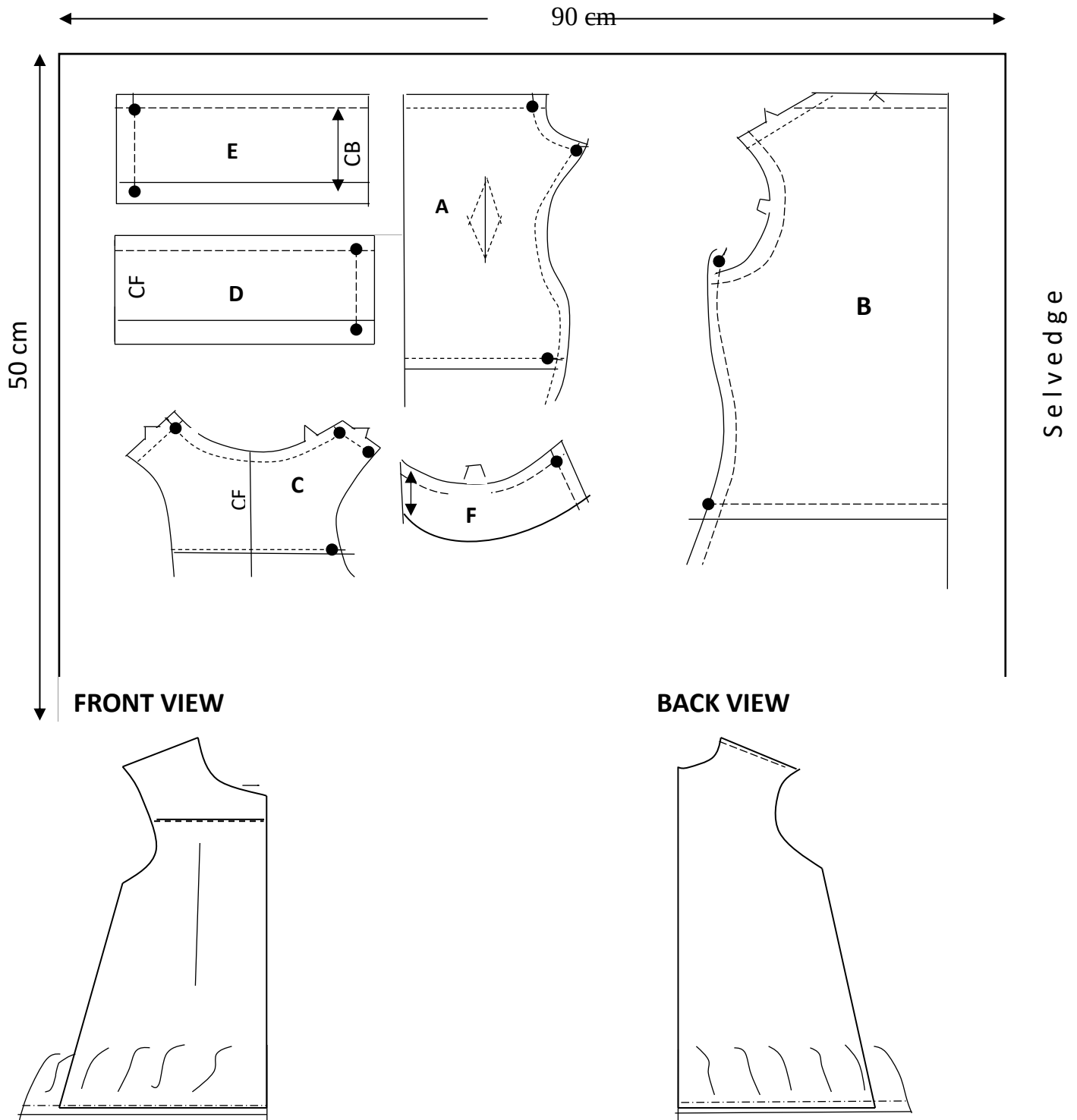
1. Cutting out. (13 marks)
2. The making of the double pointed dart. (5 ½ marks)
3. Making of the shoulder seam using double stitched seam. (7 ½ marks)
4. Joining the back facing to front facing and neatening the free edge. (8 marks)
5. Neatening the neckline using the joined facings. (4 marks)
6. Joining the front yoke to the blouse front using overlaid seam. (11 marks)
7. Working the side seam using an open seam. (6 marks)
8. Preparation of the frill to include:
 - (a) Joining the back and front frill using a French seam. (7 marks)
 - (b) Control of fullness. (3 marks)
 - (c) Attachment of the frill to the lower part of the blouse using a plain seam. (7 marks)

(Do not trim; Do not neaten)
9. Working of buttonhole using hand-worked stitches. (6 marks)
10. Management of the hem and holding it using long and short tacking. (6 marks)
11. Presentation. (6 marks)

NOTE:

At the end of the examination, firmly sew on a single fabric a label bearing your name and index number, Remove the needles and pins from your work then fold your work neatly and place it in the envelope provided. Do not put scraps of fabric with your work.

LAYOUT – NOT DRAWN TO SCALE



KCSE 2026 FINAL PREDICTIONS

CONFIDENTIAL EXAM 5

441/1

HOME SCIENCE

PAPER 1**TIME: 2½ HOURS**

NAME.....

SCHOOL..... SIGN.....

INDEX NO..... ADM NO.....

Kenya Certificate of Secondary Education.

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

- (a) Write your name, school and index number in the spaces provided above.
(b) Sign and write the date of the examination in the spaces provided above.
(c) This paper consists of **three** sections **A**, **B** and **C**.
(d) **All** the questions in Section **A** and **B** are compulsory.
(e) Answer any other **two** questions in section **C**.
(f) Answers to all the questions must be written in the spaces provided.

FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY

SECTION	QUESTION	MAXIMUM SCORE	CANDIDATE'S SCORE
A	1 – 20	40	
B	21	20	
C		20	
		20	
TOTAL SCORE		100	

SECTION A (40 MARKS)

Answer all questions in the spaces provided

1. State **two** uses of lemon in cooking (2 marks)
2. Name **two** textile fibres of animal origin (1 mark)
3. Distinguish between a scald from a burn (2 marks)
4. State **three** factors to consider when choosing sleeves for a garment (3 marks)
5. Give **two** reasons for blanching vegetables (2 marks)
6. List **four** items in a first aid kit that may be used to manage a sprain (2 marks)
7. Name **two** vaccines a child is given at the age of nine months (2 marks)
8. Give **two** uses of a loose cover on upholstery (2 marks)
9. Give the meaning of the following terms in relation to colour:
 - (a) Hue (1 mark)
 - (b) Intensity (1 mark)
 - (c) Value (1 mark)
10. State two factors that may affect a budget (2 marks)
11. Differentiate between batters and dough in flour mixtures (2 marks)
12. State **two** positive effects of advertisement on the consumers. (2 marks)
13. List four methods on neatening seams. (2 marks)
14. What is food fortification? (2 marks)
15. Give two reasons for using common salt when laundering handkerchief (2 marks)
16. List **two** types of play in child development (2 marks)
- (17) Give **two** reasons for using facings on a garment (2 marks)
- (18) Name four methods of steaming foods. (2 marks)
19. Give one reason for carrying out the following processes during cleaning: (2marks)
 - (a) Cleaning the window from outside then to the inside
 - (b) Closing the windows and the doors while sweeping
20. Suggest two ways in which old newspapers may be used during the cleaning of a house (2 marks)

SECTION B COMPULSORY (20 MARKS)

21. You are taking care of your uncle who is recovering from covid-19 infection;
- (a) Explain how you would clean the cemented floor of his bedroom (9 marks)
 - (b) Describe how to wash and dry his woolen socks (6 marks)
 - (c) Sponge and press your Uncle's polyester tie (5 marks)

SECTION C**ANSWER ANY TWO QUESTIONS (40 MARKS)**

22. (a) Explain four factors to consider when weaning a baby (8 marks)
- (b) State four symptoms of roundworm infestation (4 marks)
- (c) Give four factors to consider when buying a sewing machine (4 marks)
- (d) Mention four qualities of a well constructed handmade button hole (4 marks)
23. (a) Giving a reason, identify four processes/methods that are not suitable when laundering loose coloured clothes (8 marks)
- (b) Explain four hygienic practices to observe during food storage (8 marks)
- (c) Suggest four factors that determine the repair method to be used on household articles (4 marks)
24. (a) Mention any five advantages of using left over food (5 marks)
- (b) State five duties of weights and measures inspectors (5 marks)
- (c) Suggest five reasons for caring for the sick at home (5 marks)
- (d) Highlight five advantages of lining a bedroom curtains (5 marks)

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CONFIDENTIAL EXAM 5

441/2

HOME SCIENCE

PAPER 2

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HOMESCIENCE

(CLOTHING CONSTRUCTION)

(PRACTICAL)

PAPER 2

2 ½ HOURS

Instructions to candidates

- a) This paper consists of 3 printed pages.*
- b) Candidates should check the question paper to ascertain that all the pages are printed as indicated and that no questions are missing.*
- c) Candidates **MUST** use machine stitches appropriately in the construction of the garment. Hand stitches used **INSTEAD** of machine stitches will not be marked.*
- d) Hand stitches will only be allowed for the making of hemming, tacking and loop stitches.*

A pattern of a girls dress is provided. You are advised to study sketches, instructions and layout carefully before you begin the test.

Materials provided

1. Pattern pieces
 - A. Bodice front
 - B. Bodice back
 - C. Skirt front
 - D. Skirt back
 - E. Collar
 - F. Cut out a cross way strip measuring 18cm long by 4cm wide
2. Plain light weight cotton fabric 70cm long by 90cm wide
3. Cotton sewing thread to match the fabric
4. One large envelope

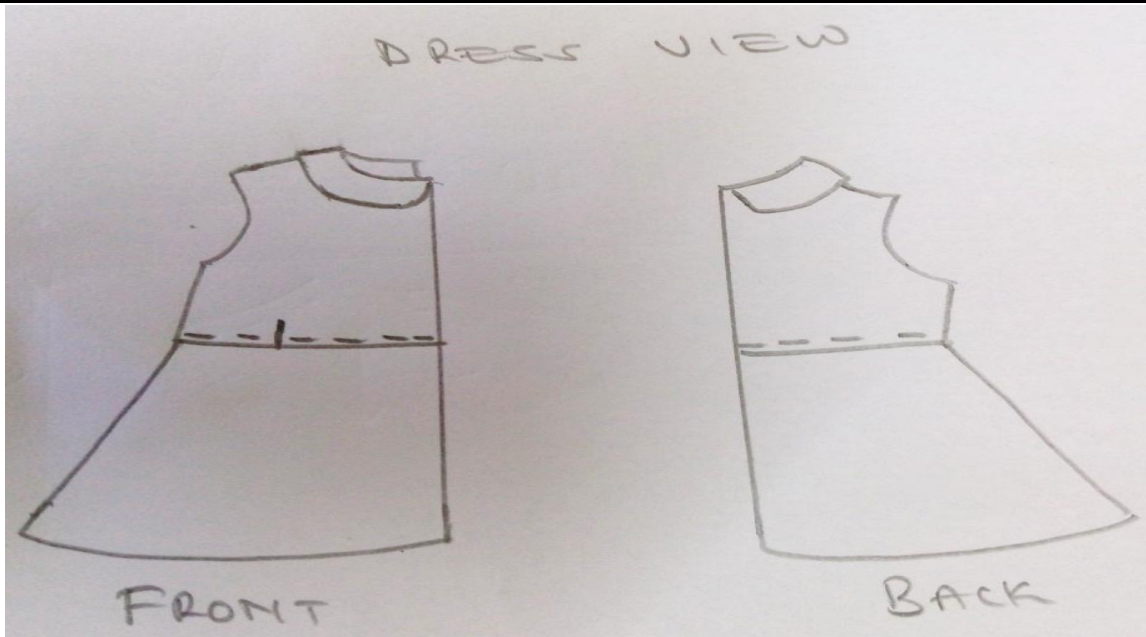
THE TEST

Using the materials provided, cut out and make the **LEFT SIDE** of the girl's dress to show the following processes:

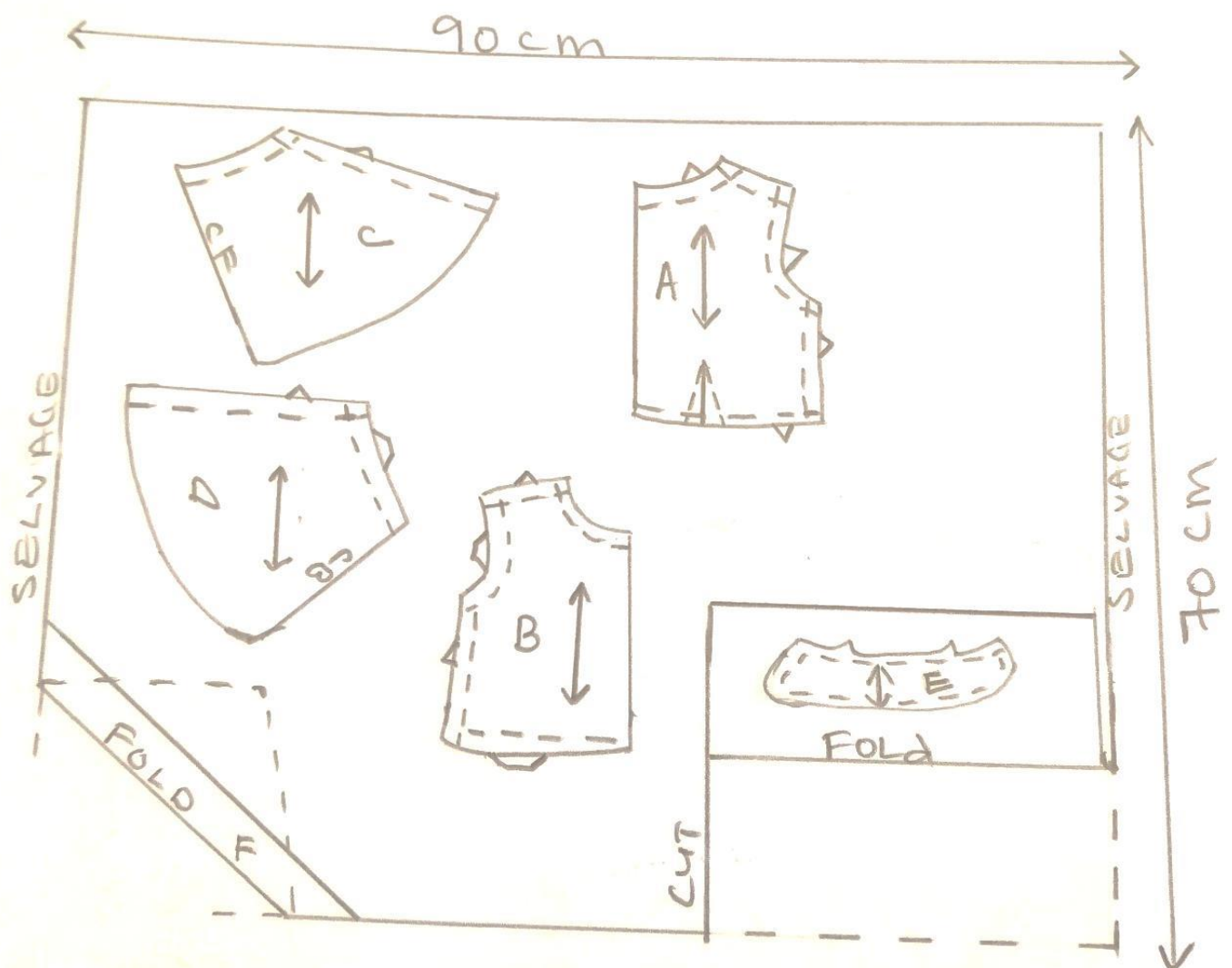
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| (a) Cutting out | (18 marks) |
| (b) Making of the dart at the front bodice | (6 ½ marks) |
| (c) Making of the shoulder seam using an open seam | (13 ½ marks) |
| (d) Making of the side seam on the bodice and skirt using a French seam | (22 marks) |
| (e) Attaching of the bodice pieces to the skirt pieces using an overlaid seam and neatening of half of the back seam using overcasting stitches | (9 marks) |
| (f) Preparation of the collar. Attaching of the collar using a crossway strip | (13 marks) |
| (g) Edge stitching at the hem ready for attachment | (2 marks) |
| (h) Overall presentation | (6 marks) |

At the end of the examination; firmly sew on your work, on a single fabric, a label bearing your name and index number. Remove the needle and pins from your work. Fold your work neatly and place it in the envelope provided.

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LAY OUT (NOT DRAWN TO SCALE)



KCSE 2026 FINAL PREDICTIONS**CONFIDENTIAL EXAM 6**

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HOME SCIENCE**PAPER 1**

TIME: 2½ HOURS

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*Kenya Certificate of Secondary Education.***INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES:**

- Write your **name** and **index number** in the spaces provided.
- This paper consists of three section **A,B** and **C**
- Answer **all** the questions in section **A** and **B**
- Answer any **two** questions in section **C**.
- Answers should be written in the spaces provided in this booklet.

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QUESTIONS	MAXIMUM SCORE	CANDIDATES SCORE
1-15	40	
16	20	
17	20	
18	20	
19	20	
Total	100	

SECTION A (40 marks)**Answer all the questions in this section.**

1. Mention two methods of preserving fruits when in season. (2mrks)
2. List three natural means of ventilating a room. (3mrks)
3. State two points to remember about clothing when caring for the sick at home. (2mrks)
4. Mention three examples of fans. (3mrks)
5. Mention three points on how to ensure safety when storing paraffin. (3mrks)
6. List three factors to consider when buying a gas cylinder. (3mrks)
7. Give three reasons why the wall paper is becoming popular. (3mrks)
8. State two reasons for using floor coverings in a house. (2mrks)
9. List the stages involved in bottling as a method of preservation. (2 ½ mrks)
10. List two importance of blanching vegetables before preservation. (2mrks)
11. Define case goods and give an example. (½ mrk)
12. List four tertiary colours. (2mrks)
13. List four common dehydrated foods which are used as the main ingredients in a dish. (4mrks)
14. Mention three reasons for wrapping food before storing in the refrigerator. (3mrks)
15. Give three reasons for cooling foods before storing in a refrigerator. (3mrks)

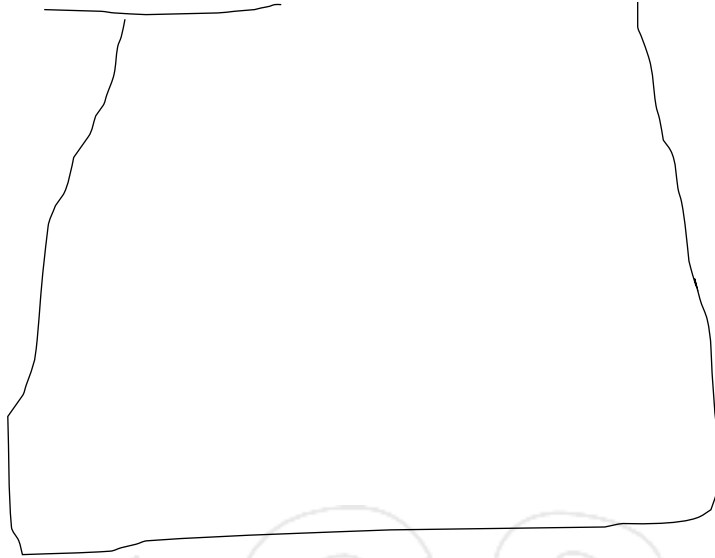
SECTION B: COMPULSORY (20 MARKS)**Answer all the questions in this section.**

16. You are planning to go for a picnic.
 - (a) Giving reasons outline the procedure you would use to thoroughly clean a synthetic bag. (8mks)
 - (b) Outline the steps to follow when laundering the woolen sweater you will wear. (12mrks)

SECTION C (40 MARKS)**Answer any two questions in this section.**

17.
 - (a) State reasons why a consumer needs to be protected. (6mrks)
 - (b) Mention six reasons that has popularized the use of convenience foods. (6mrks)
 - (c) Discuss four problems related to breast feeding. (8mrks)
18. (a) List six qualities of a well-made collar. (6mrks)

(b) Use the sketch of a skirt below to answer the questions that follow:



- (i) State six methods of disposing fullness in the skirt sketch shown above. **(2mrks)**
 - (ii) Apart from the disposal of fullness symbols, indicate three pattern markings on the sketch above. **(3mrks)**
 - (c) Explain four finishing processes carried out during laundry. **(8mrks)**
- 19. (a)** Explain three causes of malnutrition when sick. **(6mrks)**
- (b)** Explain six points on the importance of budgeting. **(6mrks)**
- (c)** Mention eight points to look for when choosing a toy for a child. **(8mrks)**

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HOME SCIENCE**PAPER 2**

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HOME SCIENCE**PAPER 2**

TIME: 2 ½ HOURS

441/2 HOME SCIENCE**(CLOTHING & TEXTILE CONSTRUCTION)**

A pattern of a child's dress is provided. You are advised to study the sketches, instructions and the layout well before you begin the test.

MATERIALS PROVIDED:

1. Pattern pieces for the dress:

A – Dress front

B – Dress back

C – Sleeve

D – Cuff

E – Pocket

F – Cuff interfacing

G – Sleeve opening binding

1. Plain light weight cotton fabric 70cm long by 90cm wide.

2. Cotton sewing thread to match the fabric.

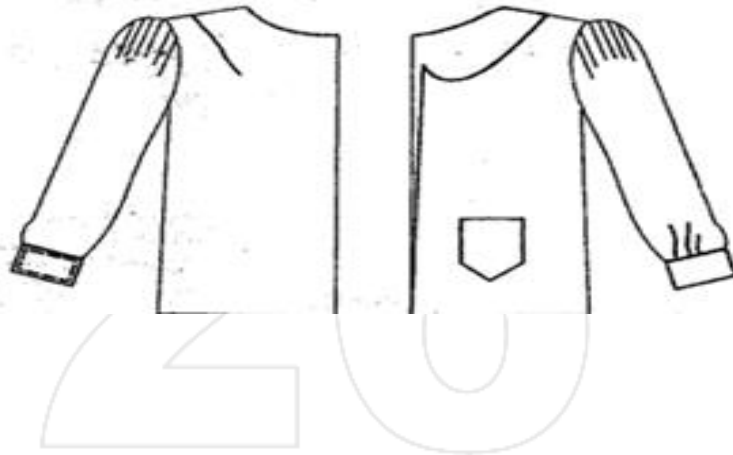
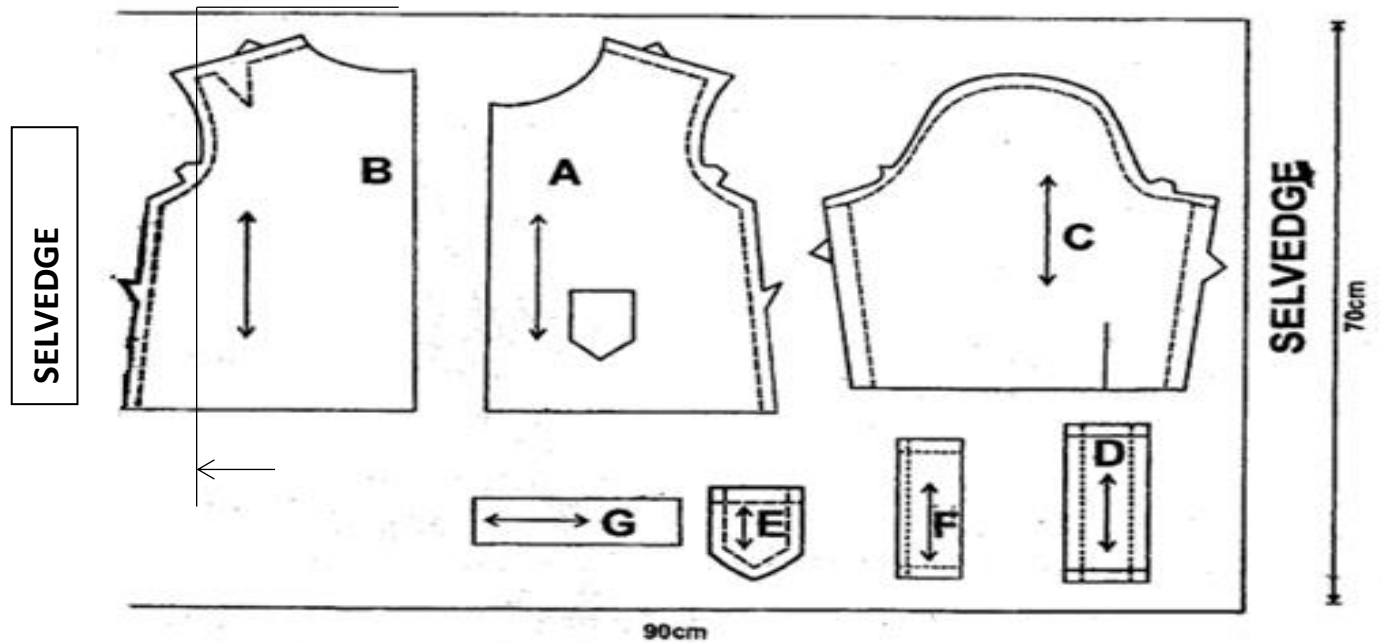
THE TEST:

Using the materials provided cut out and make the LEFT HALF of the child's dress to show the following:

- (a) The working of the shoulder dart.
- (b) The preparation and attachment of the pocket.
- (c) The joining of the shoulder seam using a neatened plain seam.
- (d) The joining of the side seam using a neatened open seam.
- (e) The making of the bound opening of the sleeve.
- (f) The joining of the under arm seam using a French seam.
- (g) The preparation and attachment of an interfaced cuff.
- (h) The preparation and attachment of the sleeve, without trimming the seam allowance.

At the end of the examination, firmly sew onto your work, on a single fabric, a label bearing your name and index number. Remove the needles and pins from your work, and then fold your work neatly.

THE LAYOUT IS NOT DRAWN TO SCALE



KCSE 2026 FINAL PREDICTIONS**CONFIDENTIAL EXAM 7**

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HOME SCIENCE**PAPER 1**

TIME: 2½ HOURS

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*Kenya Certificate of Secondary Education.***INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES**

- Answer all questions in section A in the spaces provided
- Section B is compulsory
- Choose any two questions from section C
- **Do not remove any pages from this booklet.**
- Answer all questions in English.

FOR EXAMINERS USE ONLY

SECTION	Question	Maximum score	Candidate's score
Section A	1-39	40	
Section B	40	20	
Section C	41-43	40	
Total score		100	

QUESTIONS

1. Give **two** uses of fruits in cake making . (1mark)
2. Name **two** types of pleats (1 mark)
3. Name the biological raising agent used in bread making (1mark)
4. List **two** methods of incorporating air into flour mechanically (1mark)
5. Give **two** functions of sebum (1mark)
6. State **two** ways in which a country with home scientists will benefit (1mark)
7. Mention **two** minerals needed for healthy teeth (1mark)
8. List any two ways of finishing wood (1mark)
9. Mention two advantages of charcoal as a fuel (1mark)
10. Define the following terms: (1mark)
 - a) Fixed dirt
 - b) Fracture
11. Identify other two causes of anaemia other than nutritional deficiency (1mark)
12. Give two reasons for food fortification (1mark)
13. Highlight two ways of conserving vitamin C during the storage of kales (1mark)
14. Mention two signs and symptoms of marasmus (1mark)
15. Write the following abbreviations in full (1mark)
 - a) AIDS
 - b) TBA
16. Give two functions of the S and U bend below every sink in the disposal of waste water from the house (1mark)
17. Detergents are classified into two groups .Name them (1mark)
18. Mention two rules to observe in stain removal (1mark)
19. Name two the stain removal agents used in removing a banana sap stain from your t-shirt (1mk)
20. Identify two methods suitable for disinfecting a kitchen towel (1mark)
21. List two ingredients used in the making of laundry blue (1mark)
22. Give two points to observe when taking body measurements (1mark)
23. Name two conspicuous seams used to bring out style features in garment construction (1mark)
24. Give two examples of stitches used to neaten raw edges (1mark)
25. Mention two possible causes of stitches looping when sewing with a sewing machine (1 mark)
26. List two examples of haberdashery /sewing notions in garment construction (1mark)
27. Give two ways you can identify elastofibres physically (1mark)
28. Outline two examples of synthetic fibers (1mark)
29. Differentiate between aerobic and anaerobic food spoilage (1mark)
30. Apart from kitchen knife, identify one other type of knife and give its function. (1mark)
31. State two roles of advertisements (1mark)
32. Point out two styles of food service (1mark)

33. Outline two functions of darts in clothing and construction processes (1mark)
34. List two examples of basic pattern symbols and markings in garment construction (1mark)
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36. Mention two methods of treating water at home (1mark)
37. Give two reasons for cleaning a house (1mark)
38. Outline two advantages of flats/apartments type of houses (1mark)
39. Suggest two ways of managing foreign body in the ear (1mark)
40. Mention two dangers that arise from misuse of cosmetics (1mark)

SECTION B

(Answer all the questions)

41. You are doing thorough cleaning at home on a Saturday morning. Describe how to;
- a) Clean a white washable cotton mask you had used the previous day. (8marks)
- b) Sweep an earthen sitting room floor (7marks)
- c) Wash a Calabash that had been used to take porridge in the morning for breakfast. (5 marks)

SECTION C

(Answer only two questions from this section.)

- 42.
- a) Explain four factors to consider when planning meals (4marks)
- b) Explain three merits of credit cards (3marks)
- c) Explain four importance of immunization (4marks)
- d) Describe how to make hand worked gathers (4marks)
- e) State five points on the choice of brooms and brushes (5marks)
- 43.
- a) Outline three steps in preparing a budget (3marks)
- b) Give the importance of table setting (4marks)
- c) Explain the importance of breastfeeding to a child (3marks)
- d) Outline four qualities of a well-made stitch (4marks)
- e) Explain three ways in which detergents aid in removal of dirt (6marks)
- 44.
- a) Explain three reasons for making a shopping list prior to the actual buying (3marks)
- b) Use the following dishes to organize a breakfast menu (3marks)
- Tea with milk, Fried liver, Boiled arrowroot, Fresh passion juice, Wimbi porridge
- c) Explain four ways of handling temper tantrums during habit training (4marks)
- d) Describe how to make a plain seam on a skirt yoke (4marks)
- e) Draw six care labels on drying in laundry work and explain the meaning of each (6marks)

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HOME SCIENCE**PAPER 2****TIME: 2½ HOURS**

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HOMESCIENCE

CLOTHING AND TEXTILES

PAPER 2

PRACTICAL

CONFIDENTIAL

INSTRUCTIONS TO SCHOOLS

The following materials will be provided by the school:

1. Plain light weight cotton 55 cm long by 70cm wide
2. Cotton sewing thread to match the fabric
3. Embroidery thread 130cm long
4. A4 envelope

**FABRIC IN EXCESS OF THE AMOUNT SPECIFIED MUST NOT BE SUPPLIED TO
THE CANDIDATES.**

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HOME SCIENCE

(CLOTHING CONSTRUCTION)

PAPER 2

PRACTICAL

Time: 2 ½ hours

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

- *This paper consists of 3 printed pages.*
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A pattern of a girl's dress is provided. You are advised to study the sketches, instructions and layout carefully before you begin the test.

Materials provided

1. Pattern pieces
 - A - Dress Front
 - B - Dress Back
 - C - Yoke
 - D - Pocket
2. Plain light weight cotton fabric 70cm wide by 55cm long.
3. Cotton thread to match the fabric.
4. Embroidery thread 130cm long.
5. A4 Envelope

THE TEST

Using the materials provided, cut out and make up the **LEFT HALF** of the dress to show the following process.

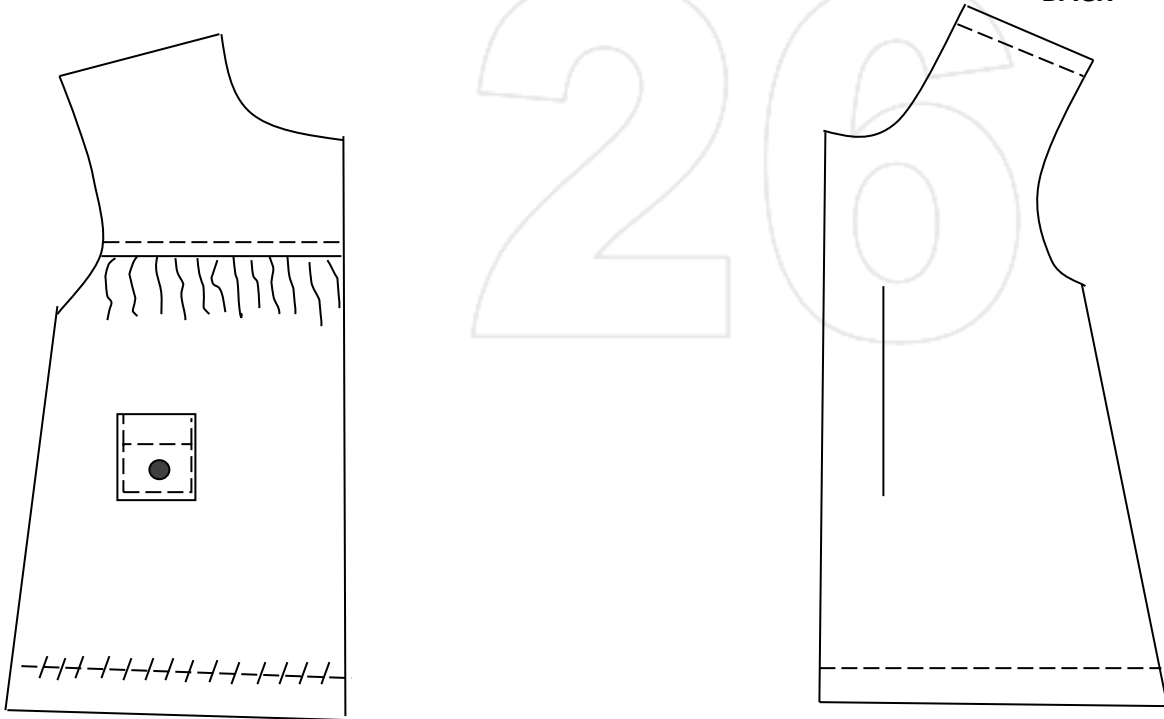
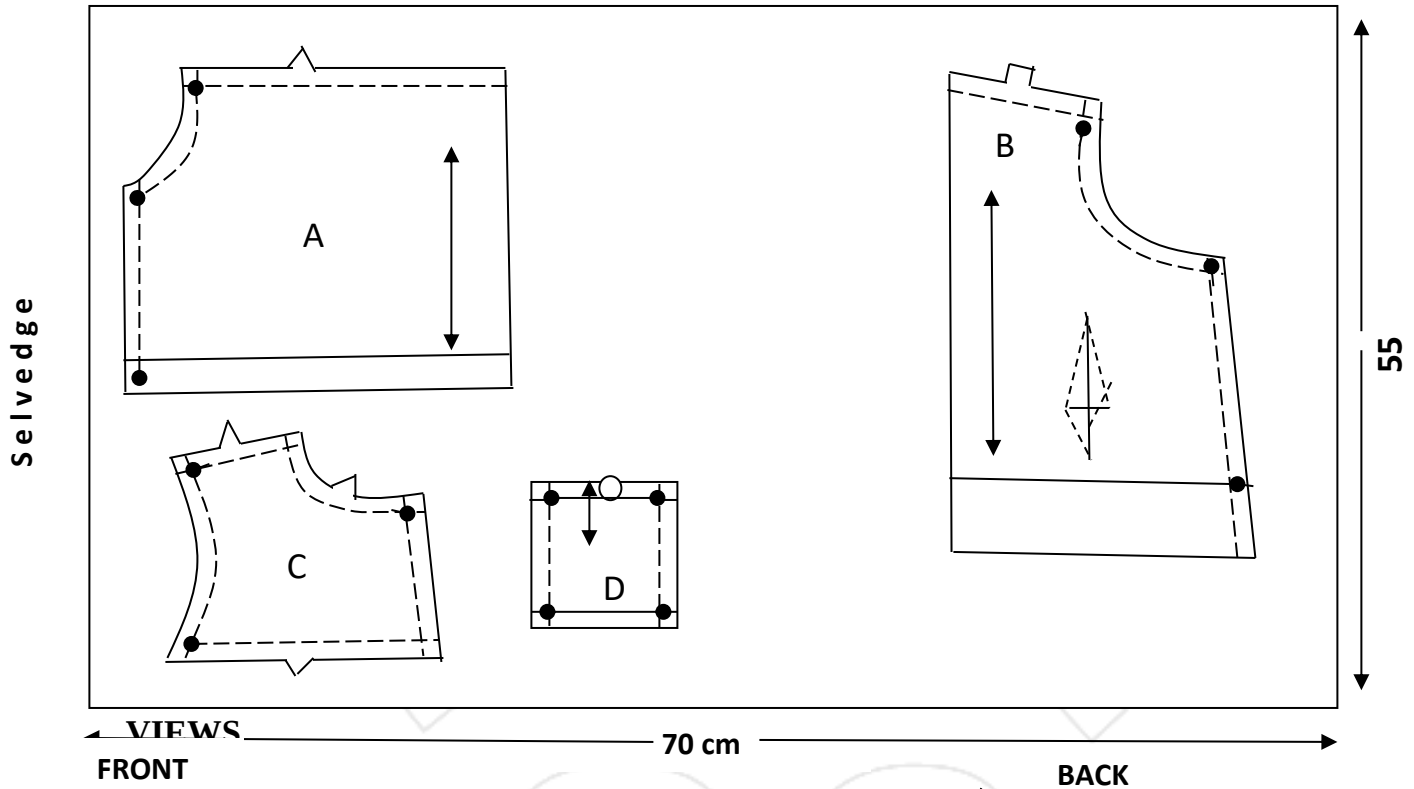
1. Cutting out.
2. Working of double pointed dart at the dress back.
3. Preparation and attachment of the patch pocket to include the working of satin stitch to fill "O" on the pocket.
4. Preparation of gathers on the dress front. **DO NOT REMOVE GATHERING STITCHES.**
5. Joining the dress front to the yoke using overlaid seam.
6. Joining the dress front to the dress back at the shoulder using double stitched seam.
7. Working the side seam using an open seam.
8. Managing the hem on the lower edge of the dress by;
 - (a) Holding the hem using even tackings. (**DO NOT REMOVE TACKINGS**)
 - (b) Working hemming stitches at the front part of the dress.
9. Presentation.

NB:

At the end of the examination, firmly sew on your work on single fabric a label bearing your name, class and admission number. Remove the needles, pins and unnecessary threads from your work. Fold your work neatly and place it in the envelope provided.

DO NOT PUT SCRAPS OF FABRIC IN THE ENVELOPE AND DO NOT SEAL THE ENVELOPE.

LAYOUT (NOT DRAWN TO SCALE)



KCSE 2026 FINAL PREDICTIONS

CONFIDENTIAL EXAM 8

441/1

HOME SCIENCE

PAPER 1**TIME: 2½ HOURS**

NAME.....

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INDEX NO..... ADM NO.....

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INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

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SECTION B (Answer all the questions)

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SECTION C (Answer only two questions from this section.)

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- a) Explain four factors to consider when planning meals (4marks)
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- c)** Explain four importance of immunization (4marks)
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- e)** Explain three ways in which detergents aid in removal of dirt (6marks)

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- a)** Explain three reasons for making a shopping list prior to the actual **buying** (3marks)
- b)** Use the following dishes to organize a breakfast menu (3marks)
Tea with milk, Fried liver, Boiled arrowroot, Fresh passion juice, Wimbi porridge
- c)** Explain four ways of handling temper tantrums during habit training (4marks)
- d)** Describe how to make a plain seam on a skirt yoke (4marks)
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HOME SCIENCE**PAPER 2****TIME: 2½ HOURS**

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CLOTHING AND TEXTILES

PAPER 2

PRACTICAL

2½ HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS TO SCHOOLS

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HOME SCIENCE**PAPER 2****TIME: 2½ HOURS**

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*Kenya Certificate of Secondary Education.***HOME SCIENCE
(CLOTHING CONSTRUCTION)****PAPER 2
PRACTICAL****TIME: 2 ½ HOURS****Instructions to candidates**

- *This paper consists of 3 printed pages.*
- *Candidates should check the question paper to ascertain that all pages are printed and no questions are missing.*

A pattern of a girl's dress is provided. You are advised to study the sketches, instructions and layout carefully before you begin the test.

Materials provided

1. Pattern pieces
 - A - Dress Front
 - B - Dress Back
 - C - Yoke
 - D - Pocket
2. Plain light weight cotton fabric 70cm wide by 55cm long.
3. Cotton thread to match the fabric.
4. Embroidery thread 130cm long.
5. A4 Envelope

THE TEST

Using the materials provided, cut out and make up the **LEFT HALF** of the dress to show the following process.

1. Cutting out.
2. Working of double pointed dart at the dress back.
3. Preparation and attachment of the patch pocket to include the working of satin stitch to fill "O" on the pocket.
4. Preparation of gathers on the dress front. **DO NOT REMOVE GATHERING STITCHES.**
5. Joining the dress front to the yoke using overlaid seam.
6. Joining the dress front to the dress back at the shoulder using double stitched seam.
7. Working the side seam using an open seam.
8. Managing the hem on the lower edge of the dress by;
 - (a) Holding the hem using even tackings. (**DO NOT REMOVE TACKINGS**)
 - (b) Working hemming stitches at the front part of the dress.
9. Presentation.

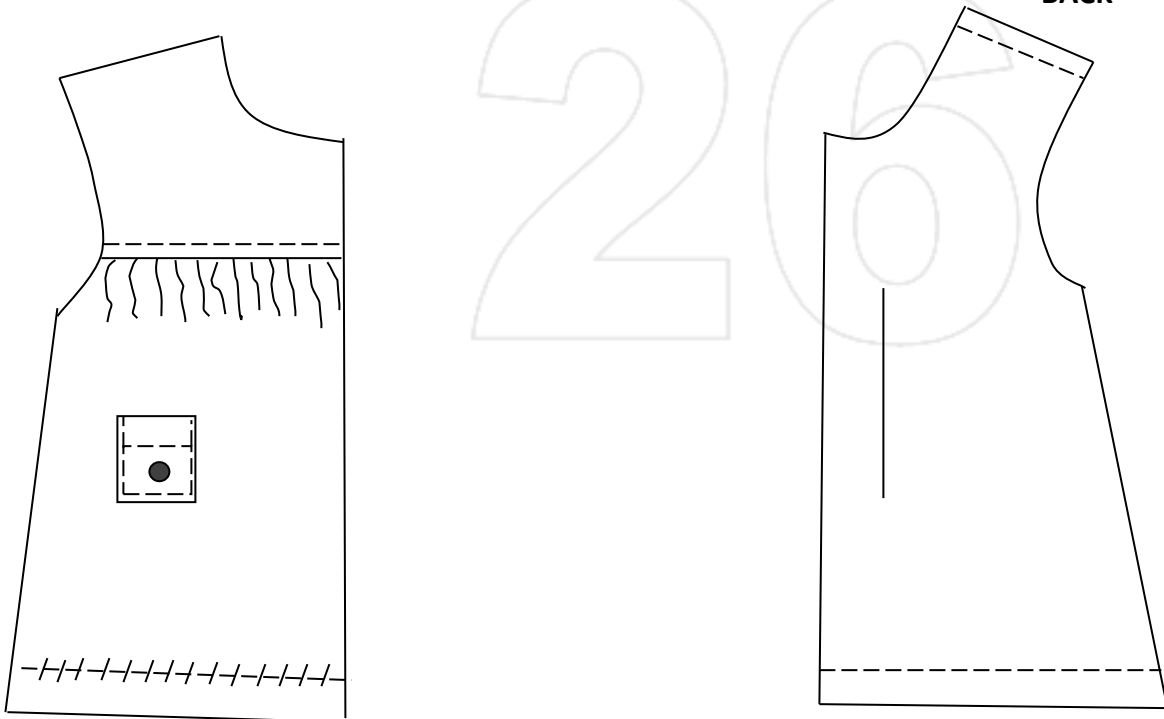
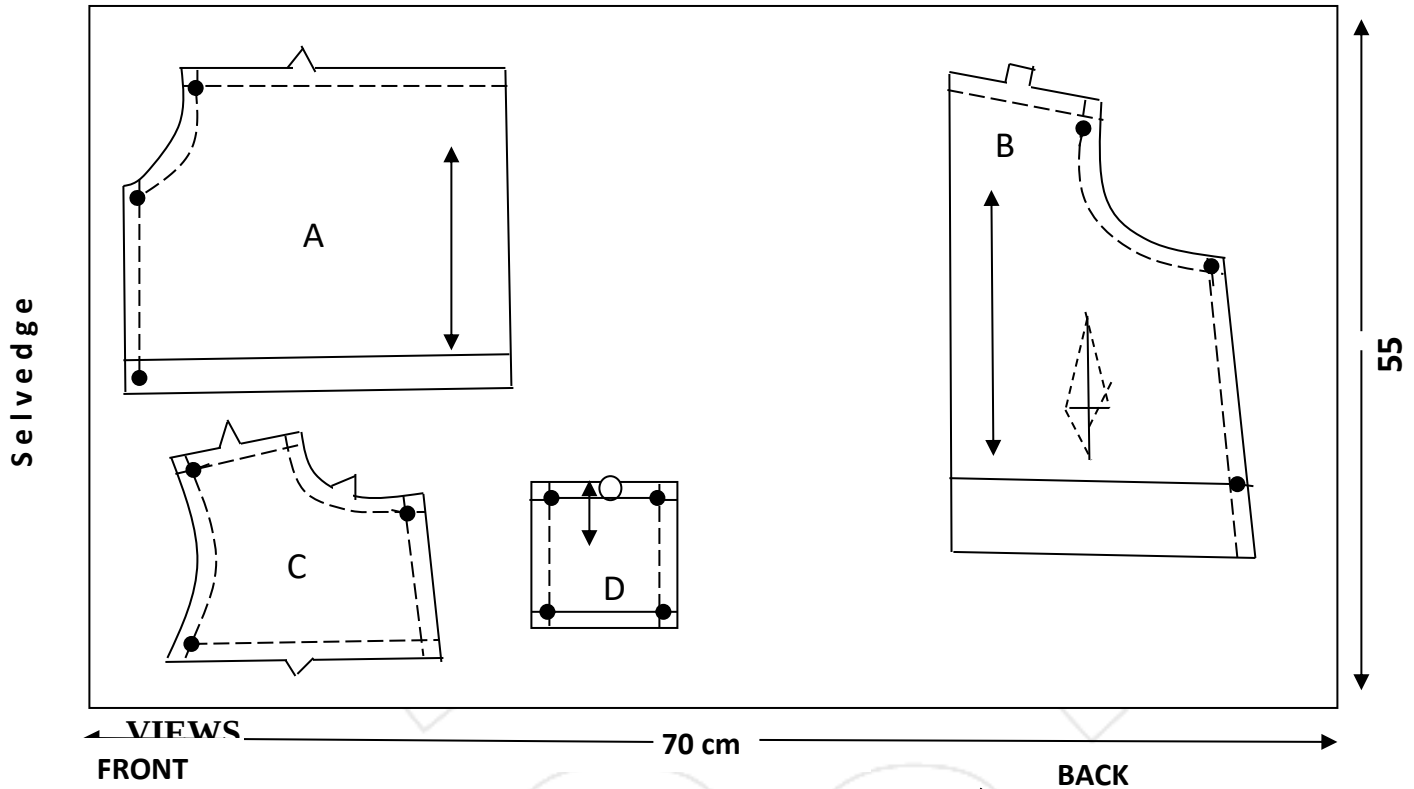
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LAYOUT (NOT DRAWN TO SCALE)



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441/1

HOME SCIENCE**PAPER 1**

TIME: 2½ HOURS

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HOMESCIENCE**PAPER 1**

TIME: 2 ½

INSTRUCTIONS

- This paper contains 3 sections: A, B and C
- Answer all questions in section A and B and any two questions from section C

FOR EXAMINER'S USE ONLY

SECTIONS	QUESTION	MAX. SCORE	ACTUAL SCORE
A	1 – 20	40 MARKS	
B	21	20 MARKS	
C	22 – 24	40 MARKS	

SECTION A (40 MARKS)

1. Differentiate between wear and tear (2mks)
2. State **two** reasons for using fabric conditioner in laundry. (2mks)
3. Mention **two** ways of meeting social needs of a pregnant woman (2mks)
4. Explain giving an example, the meaning of a monochromatic colour scheme. (2mks)
5. State **two** points to consider when choosing a laundry brush. (2mks)
6. Give **two** conditions necessary for steam to act as a raising agent (2mks)
7. Identify **three** methods of finishing the edges of sleeves other than using a cuff (3mks)
8. Identify **two** ways of preventing umbilical cord infection at birth. (2mks)
9. State **two** reasons why foods are fortified (2mks)
10. State **two** safety precautions to be exercised when handling calabashes. (2mks)
11. Give **two** reasons why a kitchen should be well lit. (2mks)
12. Outline **three** qualities of a well-made sleeve (3mks)
13. Give **two** reasons for an open and coarse texture in creamed cake mixtures. (2mks)
14. What is the role of VCT in safe parenting? (2mks)
15. Give **three** methods used to attach collars to the neck line. (3mks)
16. State the use of a water seal in a kitchen sink (1mk)
17. What is simmering? (1mk)
18. Give **two** reasons why plastics are becoming more popular in homes today. (1mk)
19. Name **four** improvised cleaning materials (2mks)
20. Choose a suitable **one** course meal for an invalid. (2mks)

SECTION B (20 MARKS)**COMPULSORY**

21. You have been asked to stay at home and carry out some household chores.
 - (a) Describe how you will thoroughly clean a hurricane lamp to be used in the Evening (9mks)
 - (b) Describe how you will wash a nylon petticoat for your younger sister. (6mks)
 - (c) Describe how you will thoroughly clean a chopping board. (5mks)

SECTION C (40 MARKS)**Answer any two questions in this section**

22. (a) Give five importance of making a budget. (5mks)
- (b) Explain **four** factors that influence consumer buying. (8mks)
- (c) Discuss **three** reasons why the use of charcoal should be minimized. (6mk)
- (d) What is food fortification? (1mk)
23. (a) Suggest **five** sanitary practices that 2 to 5 year old child should be taught. (5mks)
- (b) Explain **five** reasons for coating food before deep frying (10mks)
- (c) State **five** points to consider when preparing and cooking green vegetable (5mks)
24. (a) List any **five** effects of moist yeast on starch (5mks)
- (b) Give **four** limitations of complementary feeding (4mks)
- (c) Which **five** preparations will you carry out once fabric before cutting out? (5mks)
- (d) By use of three well labeled diagrams describe how you will make an overlaid Seam (7mks)

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HOME SCIENCE**PAPER 2****TIME: 2½ HOURS**

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*Kenya Certificate of Secondary Education.***HOMESCIENCE CLOTHING CONSTRUCTION****PAPER 2****PRACTICAL****2 ½ HOURS**

A pattern of a child's dress bodice is provided. You are advised to study the sketches, instructions and layout before you begin the test.

1. MATERIAL PROVIDED

Pattern pieces

A front bodice

B Back bodice

C Back yoke

D Collar

E Back neck facing

2. Light weight cotton fabric 50cm long by 91cm wide.

3. Sewing cotton thread to match.

4. One large envelop.

The test

Using the materials provided, cut out and make the right half of a child's dress bodice as shown in the sketch to show the following.

a) Working of a bust dart.

b) Gathering of the front bodice ready for attaching the yoke Do not remove gathering stitches

c) The attachment of the back yoke to the back bodice using overlaid/lapped seam.

Do not neaten

d) The working of a machine fell seam at the shoulder.

e) The working of an open seam at the side of the bodice.

f) The joining of the back and the front neck facings at the shoulder.

g) The preparation of the collar and attaching it to the bodice.

h) Under stitching the facing and the free edge.

i) The working of a button hole.

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HOME SCIENCE

PAPER 1

TIME: 2½ HOURS

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*Kenya Certificate of Secondary Education.***INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES:**

- Write your **name** and **index number** in the spaces provided.
- This paper consists of three section **A,B** and **C**
- Answer **all** the questions in section **A** and **B**
- Answer any **two** questions in section **C**.
- Answers should be written in the spaces provided in this booklet.

FOR EXAMINER'S USE ONLY:

QUESTIONS	MAXIMUM SCORE	CANDIDATES SCORE
1-15	40	
16	20	
17	20	
18	20	
19	20	
Total	100	

SECTION A (40 marks)**Answer all the questions in this section.**

1. Differentiate between indirect and semi-direct methods of lighting. (2mrks)
2. Give two reasons for serving soup to the sick. (2mrks)
3. Give two disadvantages of cross method of ventilating a room. (2mrks)
4. Identify two suitable methods of cooking for an invalid and give a reason for each. (4mrks)
5. Differentiate between renewable and non-renewable resource and give an example of each. (4mks)
6. Outline three qualities of a well ventilated kitchen. (3mrks)
7. Give three advantages of using improvised fuel. (3mrks)
8. Give two disadvantages of relying on solar energy in the home. (2mrks)
9. Highlight three limitations of using candles for lighting a home. (3mrks)
10. Outlined three disadvantages of using fans. (3mrks)
11. State three dangers of using electricity at home. (3mrks)
12. Explain two effects of bright colours in a room. (2mrks)
13. Explain conditioning as used in flower arrangement. (2mrks)
14. Give two reasons for keeping potatoes in cold water as soon as they are peeled. (2mrks)
15. Give three disadvantages of blue plate service. (3mrks)

SECTION B: COMPULSORY (20 MARKS)**Answer all the questions in this section.**

16. You have been left in charge of the house during mid-term break.
 - (a) Explain how you would launder your mother's silk dress. (10mrks)
 - (b) Describe how you would clean a Formica topped kitchen table. (6mrks)
 - (c) Explain how to improvise a broom to be used to sweep an earthen floor of the kitchen. (4mrks)

SECTION C (40 MARKS)

Answer any two questions in this section.

- 17.** (a) With the aid of three well labeled diagrams, describe the procedure of making an overlaid seam. **(10mrks)**
- (b) Outline the steps to follow when mending a gaping seam of an apron. **(7mrks)**
- (c) State three general rules to be followed when repairing clothes. **(3mrks)**
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- 18.** (a) Explain six points to consider when selecting furniture for a family. **(6mrks)**
- (b) Mention three nutritional disorders that are associated with lifestyle. For each disorder mentioned, give a point on how to manage it **(6mrks)**
- (c) State three points on prevention and point on management of fractures. **(6mrks)**
- (d) Give two reasons for shaving pubic hair. **(2mrks)**
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- 19.** (a) Outline six measures to take to prevent spread of infections when caring for the sick at home. **(6mrks)**
- (b) Give six factors to consider when choosing fabric for making curtains or soft furnishing. **(6mrks)**
- (c) State four important points a lactating mother should observe for successful breastfeeding. **(4mks)**
- (d) State four reasons for softening water for laundry work. **(4mrks)**

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HOME SCIENCE

PAPER 2

TIME: 2½ HOURS

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441/2 HOME SCIENCE PAPER 2

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School to provide the following for each candidate:

- *Plain cotton poplin 91cm wide by 50cm.*
- *Mercerized cotton thread to match the fabric.*
- *Embroidery thread to contrast well.*

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HOMESCIENCE**PAPER 2****TIME: 2 ½ HOURS***Kenya Certificate of Secondary Education (K.C.S.E.)***441/2 HOME SCIENCE****(CLOTHING & TEXTILE CONSTRUCTION)**

A pattern of a baby shirt is provided. You are advised to study the sketches, the question paper and the layout before you begin the test.

1. Materials provided:

Pattern pieces of the baby shirt:

- ✓ A -Shirt Front
 - ✓ B -shirt Back
 - ✓ C- sleeve
 - ✓ D -pocket
 - ✓ E -collar
 - ✓ F -back neck facing
2. Plain cotton poplin 91cm wide by 50cm.
3. Mercerized sewing cotton thread to match.
4. Embroidery thread to contrast well.

THE TEST:

Using the materials provided, cut out and make up the left half of the baby shirt to show the following:

- a) The working embroidery stitches on letters A, B on the pocket.
- b) The preparation and attaching of the pocket.
- c) The working of the shoulder seam using machine fell seam.
- d) The working of French seam at the side.
- e) The preparation of the collar.
- f) The joining of the front and back facing at the shoulder.
- g) The neatening of the free edge of the facing.
- h) The attaching of the collar.
- i) The preparation of the sleeve using French seam.
- j) The preparation of the sleeve and neatening half way with loop stitches.
- k) The hand hemming of the lower edge of the sleeve.
- l) The working of the top button hole only.

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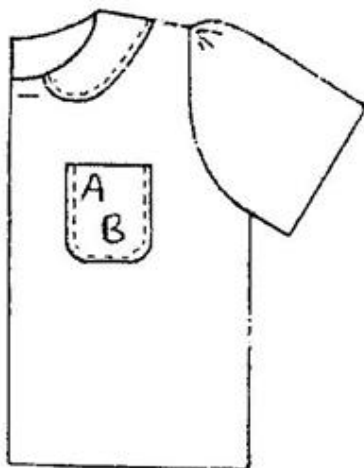
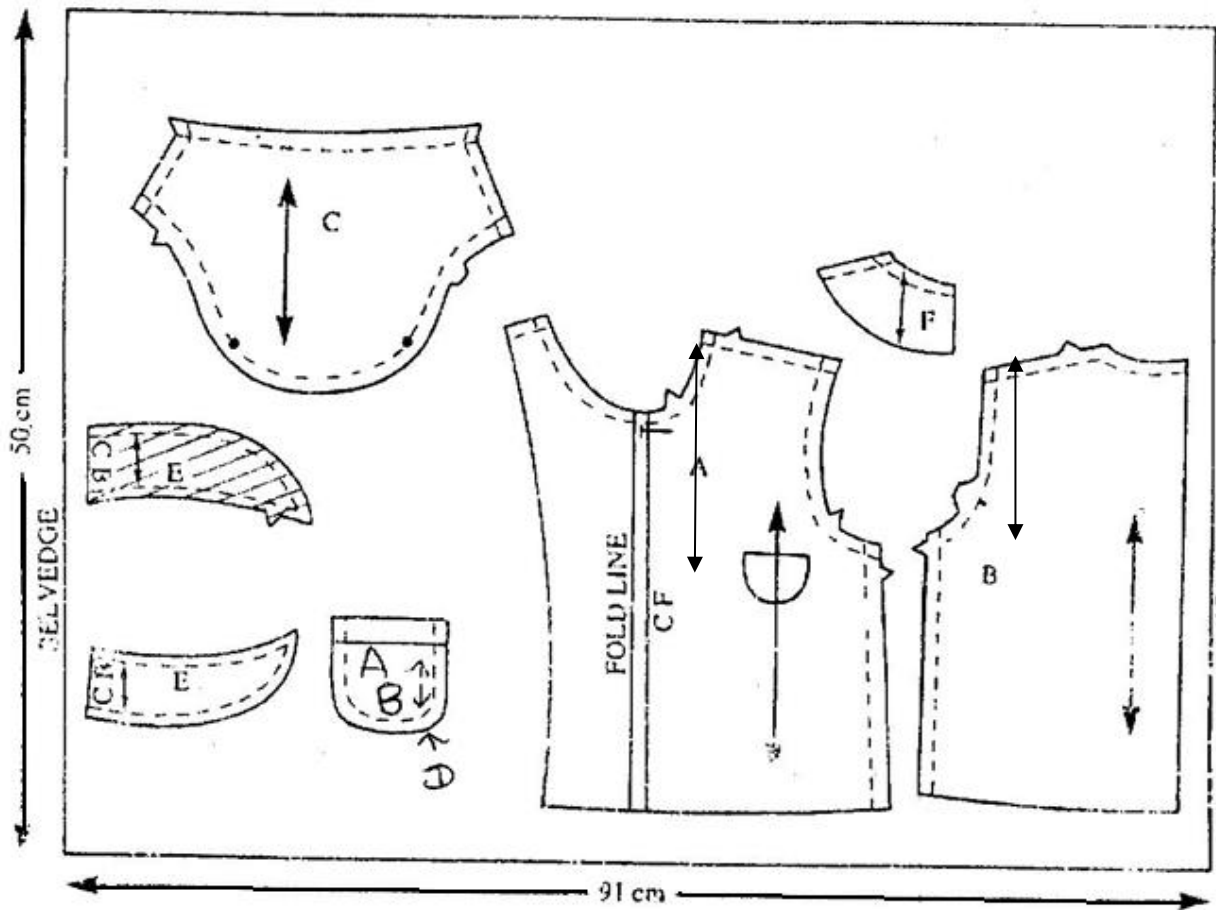
- i) The management of the lower hem.
- ii) The working of all the other buttonholes.

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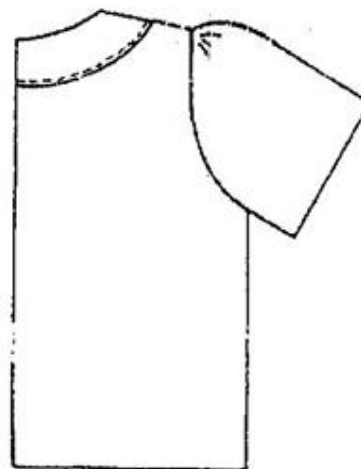
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