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TITLE OF PAPER: REMEDIAL ENGLISH: PRACTICAL
LANGUAGE USE

COURSE CODE: ENG 113

TIME ALLOWED: TWO (2) HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS:

1. This paper has four (4) questions.
2. Question 1 is compulsory.
3. Choose one other question from Questions 2 to Question 4.
4. All questions are worth thirty (30) marks each.

This paper should not be opened until permission has been granted by the invigilator.

Question1 (Compulsory)

CANDIDATE'S NUMBER:

PROGRAMME:

Edit the passage below for spelling, punctuation and grammar. Underline the areas where you have made corrections. You are not supposed to rewrite the passage. Work on this sheet and submit it with your answer booklet.

PRIME MINISTER'S STATEMENT

NATIONAL COVID-19 UPDATE

The COVID-19 pandemic continues to be a health threat world over with over 50 million people infected. While this scourge persist to be a menace to humanity. We are comforted by the fact that through concerted efforts from all Emaswati and various stakeholders, we are on a positive path of bringing this disease under control in the Kingdom.

This has been achieved through the deliberate efforts of Emaswati to wear face masks consistently in public spaces, practice of social distancing, keeping their hands clean, avoiding crowds as well as the cooperation of many sectors in complying with laid down regulations and protocols. As of today we only have 159 active cases of COVID-19 in the country however while the statistics are promising, the very unpredictable nature of this virus means we cannot for one moment rest on our successes.

Lessons derived from around the world indicates that many countries that once beleived were past the worst phase of the COVID-19 pandemic are now grappling with new outbreaks and reverting to more stringent lockdown measures. We have no option but to learn from these lessons and be more vigilant in all we do, and at all times, to keep safe and save lives and livelihoods.

Disregard of regulations

Unfortunately Government has noted with serious concern of the behavior of a few individuals across multiple sectors who, over the past weeks, have continued to show complete disregard of COVID-19 regulations. While many Emaswati continue to observe these regulations we have noted various breaches happening in the transport sector, in sport, in gatherings and in entertainment activities.

Some citizens still refuse to wear face masks when in public or using public transport others still continue to engage in banned sporting activity including informal football, while others do not adhere to the laid down protocols governing the hosting of gatherings, particularly entertainment activities.

These reckless actions go against the clear & straightforward protocols that Government and the various sectors agreed upon in this ongoing phased re-opening of the economy.

Government takes this moment to remind all citizens, business owners, public transport operators, religious establishments, leisure sites, arts stakeholders and sporting associations that we are still within this COVID-19 battle and such deliberate disregard of the laid down protocols put the entire country at risk of instigating a spike in infections. It is for this reason that Government is taking a stern disciplinary action against certain establishments for non-compliance to the COVID-19 regulations.

Government will not allow reckless entities or individuals to reverse these immense national gains we have made over a very trying period in our history as nation. We will not hesitate to ban and bring to the law any individual or entity that fail to follow the laid down regulations thus putting the entire country at risk.

Working together with law enforcement agencies, we will upscale surveillance across the country to ensure that COVID-19 regulations are adhered to and that those who breach them are brought to book. We will continue to monitor many other public establishments to ensure compliance.

Alcohol consumption

Government has further noted a disturbing trend following the lifting of the ban in the sale of alcohol, where some Emaswati have visibly reverted to alcohol consumption patterns that are in violation of the COVID-19 regulations. Health evidence indicates that alcohol consumption is a serious driver of the spread of COVID-19.

I take this opportunity to caution outlets selling liquor to strictly adhere to the stipulated regulations. That were presented by government to control reckless consumption of alcohol. The regulations prohibit consumption of alcohol at crowded areas, bars or any gathering but only allows it for home consumption and in hotels when food is served. Once again, Government will not hesitate to close establishments that are violating these alcohol regulations.

TOTAL: 30 MARKS

SUBMIT THIS SHEET WITH YOUR ANSWER BOOKLET

Question 2

(a) Describe and correct the type of error that has occurred in each of the sentences below.

- (i) Each of the boys have learnt his lesson. [3 marks]
- (ii) Everybody want to succeed in life. [3 marks]
- (iii) The Covid-19 pandemic, a deadly virus that has claimed the lives of many people around the world. [3 marks]
- (iv) Siphso wanted a big party for his 21st birthday however due to the covid-19 restrictions he ended up having a small dinner that was attended by close family and friends. [3 marks]
- (v) The prolonged drought has resulted to the death of many animals. [3 marks]
- (vi) The calf as well as the other cattle is grazing near the river. [3 marks]
- (vii) Because Jabu passed her exams very well she was awarded scholarship. [3 marks]
- (viii) Three minutes are considered a long time for a single item in a newscast. [3 marks]
- (ix) Either Jabu or the twins wins the tennis tournament. [3 marks]
- (x) Us students have to work very hard in order to pass. [3 marks]

[TOTAL: 30 MARKS]

Question 3

(a) State the functions of the italicized prepositional phrases in the sentences below.

- (i) The boy kicked the ball *through the open window*. [2 marks]
- (ii) She was looking at me *through her thick glasses*. [2 marks]
- (iii) It is not true that the manager resigned. *In fact*, he was dismissed for fraud. [2 marks]
- (iv) On the one hand, I really enjoy fries, but *on the other hand*, I am supposed to be on diet. [2 marks]
- (v) He put a ball on his one hand and a stone *on the other hand*. [2 marks]

(b) Explain any two syntactic functions that can be played by each of the grammatical structures listed below. Use examples to illustrate your answer.

- (i) Demonstratives [4 marks]
- (ii) Possessives [4 marks]
- (iii) An adjective phrase [4 marks]
- (iv) A prepositional phrase [4 marks]
- (v) An indefinite pronoun [4 marks]

[TOTAL: 30 MARKS]

Question 4

For each of the following constructions, construct a sentence which illustrates it.

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| (a) a gerund as a subject | [3 marks] |
| (b) a gerund as an object of a preposition | [3 marks] |
| (c) an infinitive as a direct object | [3 marks] |
| (d) an infinitive as an adverb | [3 marks] |
| (e) a participle | [3 marks] |
| (f) a negative imperative | [3 marks] |
| (g) an exclamative | [3 marks] |
| (h) a prepositional phrase revealing the speaker's opinion. | [3 marks] |
| (i) two independent clauses and one dependent clause | [3 marks] |
| (j) a dependent clause and an independent clause | [3 marks] |

[TOTAL: 30 MARKS]

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