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BUILDING ARTISAN(MASONRY) LEVEL 4

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APPLY BUILDING MATERIAL SCIENCE

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THE KENYA NATIONAL EXAMINATIONS COUNCIL

WRITTEN ASSESSMENT

Time: 2 Hours.

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATE

This paper has two sections **A**, and **B**. Attempt questions in each section as per instructions given in the section.

You are provided with a separate answer booklet.

Marks for each question are indicated in the brackets.

Do not write on the question paper

This paper consists of FOUR (4) printed pages

Candidates should check the question paper to ascertain that all pages

are printed as indicated and that no questions are missing.

SECTION A: MULTIPLE CHOISE QUESTIONS (10MARKS)

Attempt all questions in this section.

1.	The out	ermost part of a timber log is called	[1 Mark]
	A.	Pith	
	B.	Cambium	
	C.	Sapwood	
	D.	Bark	
2.	Which o	one of the following is not a way of storing cement?	[1 Marks]
	A.	It should be stored in a building or under a shed.	
	B.	It should be kept free from dampness and moisture.	
	C.	The cement should be stored in wet place	
	D.	When cement is to be stored over long periods of time, it should be enclosed	osed in
		water proof membranes such as polythene bags	
3.	Which o	one of the following is not a component of concrete?	[1 Mark]
	A.	Sand	
	B.	Cement	
	C.	Ballast	
	D.	Clay	
4.	Which o	one of the following is not component of paints?	[1 Mark]
	A.	Vehicle	
	B.	Drier	
	C.	Pigment	
	D.	Tar	
5.	Which o	of the following is not the methods used for preventing rusting?	[1 Mark]
	A	. Greasing	
	В	. Oiling	
	C	. Painting	
	D	. Washing	

6.	There are THREE main a type of rocks which one is not?	[1 Mark]
	A. Sedimentary Rocks	
	B. Aqueous Rocks	
	C. Igneous Rocks	
	D. Metamorphic Rocks	
7.	Which one of the following is a characteristic of mastic asphalt?	[1 Mark]
	A. It is sound proof	
	B. It is water proof	
	C. It is heat proof	
	D. It is bullet proof	
8.	Choose the correct chemical property of building material	[1 Mark]
	A. corrosion resistance	
	B. Hardness	
	C. Thermal conductivity	
	D. Toughness	
9.	Which among the following materials is the strongest in tension	[1 Mark]
	A. Timber	
	B. Steel	
	C. Mass Concrete	
	D. Plastic	
10.	Which of the following is true about timber?	[1 Mark]
	A. It should be dried before use to avoid warping	
	B. It is very resistant to attack from pests	
	C. It only gains defects after felling the tree	
	D. It is not hygroscopic	

SECTION B: SHORT ANSWER QUESTIONS (40 MARKS)

Attempt All questions in this section

11. State FOUR physical properties in construction materials.	[4 Marks]			
12. List any THREE clay products.	[3 Marks]			
13. Outline any THREE properties of a good burnt brick.	[3 Marks]			
14. Define the term cement additives.	[2 Marks]			
15. Differentiate between setting and hardening time of cement.	[4 Marks]			
16. Highlight TWO methods which are used to manufacture cement.	[2 Marks]			
17. Outline steps one should follow when preparing good mortar.	[5 Marks]			
18. Explain why brick moulds are usually a bit larger than the exact size of bricks.	[2 Marks]			
19. Using a well label sketch, name at least FOUR parts of a cross section of a tree trunk and				
structure.	[7 Marks]			
20. State any THREE uses of timber as a construction material.	[3 Marks]			
21. State TWO functions of water in concrete.				
22. Name any THREE defects that may occur in timber.	[3 Marks]			