SWAHILI 7642, MARK SCHEME

Question 1: Translation from Swahili into English

This part of the paper is marked out of between thirty and thirty-five. For this example, the first question is marked out of thirty.

- ÷ 25 negative marks, subject to usual deductions for errors and omissions
- ÷ 1 mark off for serious error or omission
- ÷ ½ mark off for minor error or omission
- up to 2 marks off for a phrase or part of a sentence which distorts the meaning of the message in the sentence
- + up to 4 marks for spelling
- ÷ 5 positive marks for elegance/fluidity of expression

Question 2: Translation from English into Swahili

This part of the paper is marked out of between twenty-five and thirty. For this example, the second question is marked out of twenty-five.

Marks should be distributed in the following way:

correct decoding
correct encoding
linguistic accuracy
cohesion/fluidity

Question 3: Sentences Testing Grammatical Knowledge

This part of the paper is normally marked out of fifteen. There are normally five or six sentences which carry equal marks. Deduct ½ mark for each minor error.

Question 4: Short Essay

This part of the paper is normally marked out of twenty-five or thirty. For this example, the fourth question is marked out of thirty.

Marks should be distributed in the following way:

relevant content
quality of language
accuracy of spelling

Clearly, if marks for each question vary slightly from this exemplar, then you should adjust your distribution accordingly.

SWAHILI 7642, CHIEF EXAMINER'S REPORT

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SWAHILI 7642, GRADE BOUNDARIES

Grade	А	В	С	D	E
Lowest mark for award of grade	70	61	52	47	40

Note: Grade boundaries may vary from year to year and from subject to subject, depending on the demands of the question paper.