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STUDYSPHERE EXAMINATION BOARD

S.2 ENGLISH HOLIDAY PACKAGE

INSTRUCTIONS:

Attempt all the items

Item 1

Read the passage below and answer the questions that follow.

King Hyena weds MisGiraffe

Once upon a time, Mr. Hyena was the king of the jungle. He ruled over a vast territory. All the animals in the kingdom loved their king so much because he was friendly and courageous. He knew how to ably defend the kingdom. His subjects were willing to do anything to support him in any cause. The one thing that bothered them, however, was the fact that king Hyena was still a bachelor. Time had come for him to get a bride who would be queen in the palace.

The lucky bride was Miss Giraffe. When king Hyena proposed to Miss Giraffe, she thought to herself, “can King Hyena really be serious? I am too tall! And he is very short! What a couple that would be! Let me talk to Auntie Giraffe first.” Her aunt gave her a green light to get married to king Hyena. Wedding preparations were immediately underway. The chairperson of the organizing committee for the function was Mrs. Lion. She was Hyena’s best and trustworthy comrade.

In the first meeting, which was attended by Hyena’s friends, relatives and in-laws, Mrs. Lion requested some members to volunteer as department heads for food, entertainment, high table and budget. She said. “could you please volunteer stewardship of the committee for this noble cause?”

Mr. Hare raised his hand and said, “May I head the food committee please? I am an

experienced chef and food taster! I will do well there.”

Miss. Parrot said, “I volunteer to head the entertainment department. You know my singing career well.” Mrs. Zebra brayed, “could I head the high table department? You know my taste for smartness, don’t you?”

Miss. Peahen chirped, “colleagues, I will head the budget committee. I am good at accounting.” “Thank you very much for this gesture of teamwork.” Mrs. Lion remarked, “the work is almost done. We have one month in which to conclude our tasks.

“I request the budget committee to work fast. We need to know the cost details for each activity. Other committees should liaise with Mrs. Peahen for the smooth running of the preparatory exercise” Mrs. Lion concluded.

Ms. Peahen consulted with the chairperson, Mrs. Lion, on the sources of funding for the function. Mrs. Lion told her that all the required money and other materials had been secured by Mr. Hyena early enough.

In the last meeting, each department leader was requested to present their reports. The food department chair, Mr. Hare, said all food staffs, drinks and ingredients were in place. Mr. Hare costed food at shs. 200,000, drinks (soda) at shs. 800,000, water at shs. 350,000 and beer at shs. 500,000.

He had also assembled a team of the best chefs to prepare great dishes for a banquet befitting king Hyena. The chefs agreed to work free of charge for their comrade.

Mrs. Parrot, the entertainment head, said, “I have contacted the Rhino brass band, three traditional troupes, the disco system has been volunteered by the weaver bird’s sound system. Rhino brass band agreed to work for shs. 140,000 and the disco was shs. 150,000.

“Oh! The photographs! The photographs! And video coverage! How exciting it will be when the bridegroom is swallowing his meat with relish! Photography will take shs. 175,000, whole video coverage will cost shs. 95,000. All is ready.”

Mr. Zebra said the high table servers were from the royal family and each of them knew what to do. Mr. Zebra put the high table estimate at shs. 750,000.

The budget chair, Ms. Peahen, reported that all the animals who had pledged items in kind and cash had fulfilled them. She presented the list showing the covered items. All the food and drinks of all sorts had been availed.

Mrs. Lion’s final comment was about the attire for the king and his entourage.

They had been specifically designed by Peacock fashioners company. All was ready for the greatday.

Task

1. What shows there was proper planning for the function?
2. Describe the character of Mr. Hyena.

3. Do you think intermarriages should be acceptable?
4. How did the lucky bride feel about her would – be – husband?
5. Explain the importance of budgeting for a function.
6. Which of the items on the budget would you consider to take the lion's share and why?
7. Are there intermarriages in your community? What does your culture say about them? Do you support intercultural marriages? Give your opinion.
8. Describe the entertainment which will be available for the function
9. State any three moral lessons that the passage teaches.
10. Identify and describe the various dress codes that would suit the bride and the groom.

Item 2

There have been endless visits to the school sick – bay by students in your school. A majority of them complain of stomach ache. It has been discovered that all this is caused by poor hygiene and sanitation in the dormitories and kitchen, students no longer wash hands after visiting the latrines and neither do they before eating.

Task

A meeting has been called by the health prefect to discuss the issues. As a minute's secretary, write the proceedings of the meeting.

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MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR