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DIAGONOSTIC TEST - 2021**



**English Language**

**Grade 9**

**Index No:.....**

**Two hour**

**Answer all questions on this paper itself**

**Test : 1**

Complete the dialogues by selecting the most suitable word from the box. The first one is done for you.

a. village      b. friends      c. bus      d. go      e. with      f. live

a. Rosy : You are early today. Did you come by ..... **bus**.....?

Sherly : No, I came ..... my father by his car.

b. Arwin : Where do you usually ..... on Sundays?

Aiysha : I usually go out with my .....

c. Roxy : Where does your brother .....?

Sawmi: He lives in a small ..... Near Jaffna.

**(5 marks)**

**Test : 2**

Fill in the blanks with the correct collective nouns.

pack ,      team,      choir,      bunch,      herd,      army,      crew,      school,      swarm,  
flock

1. a ..... of flowers.      2. an ..... of soldiers.

3. a ..... of wolves.      4. a ..... of fish.

5. a ..... of players.      6. a ..... of sailors.

7. a ..... of birds.      8. a ..... of bees.

9. a ..... of singers.      10. a ..... of elephants.      **(5 marks)**

Test : 3

Match the most suitable answer for the question and write the letter in the bracket.

Eg : 1. They like noodles.	(F)	A. so can I
2. We watched a film last night	( )	B. So were they.
3. We were late.	( )	C. So would I.
4. She will win an award.	( )	D. So did she.
5. I can play the piano.	( )	E. So will they.
6. I would like a cup of tea.	( )	F. So do I.

(5 marks)

Test : 4

Study the picture given below. Fill in the blanks in the paragraph using the words given in the box.



sand	ship	birds	shovel	sandwiches
hat	sailor	girl	boats	bucket

This is a picture of a beach. There is a (1) \_\_\_\_\_ and a boy in the picture. They are making a (2) \_\_\_\_\_ castle. The boy has a (3) \_\_\_\_\_ in his hand. There is a (4) \_\_\_\_\_ near the boy. The girl is wearing a (5) \_\_\_\_\_. There is a plate of (6) \_\_\_\_\_ on a mat. There is a (7) \_\_\_\_\_ and two (8) \_\_\_\_\_ in the sea. Some (9) \_\_\_\_\_ are flying in the sky. A (10) \_\_\_\_\_ is coming towards the beach.

(5 marks)

Test : 5

Match the following health tips with the correct reasons and write the correct letter in the box.

The first one is done for you. (5 marks)

Health tips		Reasons
1. trim our nails once a week	f	a. because we need all the vitamins.
2. brush our teeth twice a day		b. because typhoid and diarrhea spread through unclean water.
3. eat fresh fruits and vegetables		c. because we need healthy teeth
4. use clean water		d. because dirt and lack of hygiene make us sick
5. keep the environment clean		e. because we will put on weight and grow fat.
6. do not take too much sugar		f. because they may carry germs in them.

Test : 6

(5 marks)

Fill in the blanks in the paragraph with the correct relative pronouns given in the box.

Which. who. whose. where. whenever

I have a friend (1) ..... hobby is bird watching. He has a big garden (2) ..... a rare variety of birds seen. Most of these birds (3) ..... are very colorful are migrants. He observes them and take photos. (4) ..... he spots such a rare bird he takes a photograph of it. His uncle (5) ..... is a photographer guides him a lot.

Test : 7

(5 marks)

Write a sentence similar to those listed by using the words in the word box.

wait order shiny crowded money stink

Eg.1. They needed cash to pay for their groceries.

They needed money to pay for their groceries.

2. We had to stay in our class until it was over.

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3. The glossy decorations looked pretty on the tree.

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4. The smell of the garbage was horrible.

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5. We had to classify the shapes in mathematics today.

6. The school bus is always packed.

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Test : 8

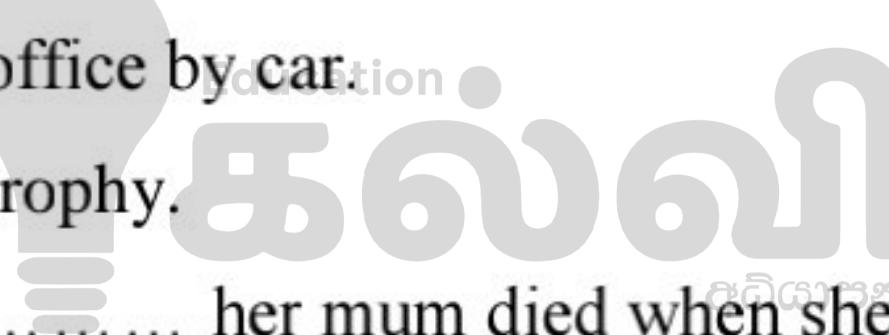
Read and complete the blanks using passive. (Past)

Last Sunday my little sister, brother and I prepared lunch for my family. When we went to the kitchen all the pots and pans 1. were washed (wash) and some carrots, leeks, potatoes and beans 2. .... (keep) on the table. There were some fish, dhal and papadam. All the curries 3. .... (prepare) by myself. A dhal curry 4. .... (cook). A vegetable salad 5. .... (prepare). Some fish and potatoes 6. .... (5 marks)

Test : 9

Annually/ extremely / usually/ well/ luckily/ almost / quickly/ certainly/ unfortunately / never

Fill in the blanks with suitable adverbs from the box.

1. These days the weather is ..... hot in Jaffna.
2. I ..... tell lies to my Parents.
3. He ..... goes to office by ~~car~~ 
4. ..... Meera won the trophy.
5. ..... her mum died when she was five years old.
6. Vimal wrote the answers ..... as the questions are easy for him.
7. Ruwan did the speech ..... as he practised it several times.
8. I have ..... finished my ICT assignment.
9. Our sports meet holds ..... 10. ...., I will be there.

(10 marks)

Test : 10

Fill in the blanks using the conjunctions given in the box. You can use one conjunction more than once.,

not only... but also / both ....and / either... or / neither... nor

Eg :1. Not only SriLanka but also India are in Asia.

2. Let's meet on ..... Monday or Tuesday.
3. ..... soccer ..... tennis are sports.
4. ..... cat ..... dogs are allowed in the restaurant.

5. .... the bank ..... the shop will be closed on Sunday.  
6. .... my brother ..... my sister go to the party. Because they are sick.

(5 marks)

Test : 11

Read the following paragraph and answer the questions.

### **The king and the monkey**

Once there was a king, who had a pet monkey. It was treated royally and moved freely in the king's palace. It was also allowed to enter the king's personal rooms which were closed even for the most trustworthy servants. One afternoon, the king was asleep and the monkey was in his room. All of a sudden a fly came into the room and sat on the king's chest. The monkey swayed it away, but the fly returned back to the king's chest. The monkey got very angry. It took the sword and started chasing the fly with it. When the fly sat on the king's chest again, the monkey hit the fly with all his might. The fly flew away, but the king was severely wounded.

1. How was the monkey treated by the king?

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2. How many characters are there in the story?

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3. Did he allow his servants to enter his personal rooms?

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4. Who was with the king when he was asleep?

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5. What did the fly do after coming into the room?

(10 marks)

Test : 12

Fill in the blanks with the given words.

Sri Lanka the pearl of the Indian ocean is famous for its wildlife. The wildlife ranging 1..... elephants, leopards and to marine life 2..... birds. You will have a 3..... chance of seeing blue whale if you 4..... Sri Lanka. Sri Lanka has declared twelve percent of whole 5..... For wildlife protection. Most of the 6..... Wildlife safari parks 7..... sanctuaries are located 8..... the southern and central zones. Sri Lanka 9..... an ideal place to 10..... the animals in their natural habitat.

(5 marks)

and ,	Sri Lankan,	country,	from,	see,	big,	and,	is,	in,	visit
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Test : 13

Use the following points and write a description about the artist mentioned.

Name: Michelangelo      Country: Italy      Birth: March 6, 1475

Country: Italy

Birth: March 6, 1475

Death: February 18, 1564 Talented fields: Painting, Sculpture, Architect,

## Poetry Structures: St. Peter's Basilica, PortaPia, Capitoline Museums,



Test : 14

(5 marks)

Complete the following letter. The words to fill the gaps are given below.

Enhance , factory, industry, rubber, secretary, Science society, P & G Company , teachers , writing , to visit.

The secretary.

Hindu College, Jaffna.

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## The Manager,

2.....

Colombo.

Dear sir,

## **Requesting permission to visit P & G factory**

I am the 3..... of the science society of our school. I am 4..... this letter to request your permission to visit your 5..... We know that your factory produces various 6..... products and as there is a lesson in our science book about rubber 7..... We believe visiting your factory will 8..... our learning. There will be forty Grade 11 students

with two 9 ..... in this educational tour and we hope  
10 ..... your factory on the first week of March. We would be obliged to  
you if you can suggest us a date that would be convenient to you. I would be glad if you could  
consider our request favourably. I am looking forward a reply from you.

Thank you.

Yours faithfully,  
Sivaruban Paviththiran.  
The secretary,  
Science Society.

(10 marks)

Test : 15

Write on one of the following. Use about 150 words.

1. My ambition in life.
2. The importance of the healthy food.
3. A trip you enjoyed mostly.
4. An interesting story you read.





(15 marks)