



**Provincial Department of Education  
Northern Province  
Third Term Examination - 2016  
English Language**



**Grade : 11**

Index No. ....

**Time : 3 Hours**

Answer the questions on this paper itself.

*Part- I*

**Test 1**

*Fill in the blanks with the most suitable words. Write the letter in the blanks.*

The first one is done for you.

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|----|---|---------------------------------|
| 1. | Please be <u>quiet</u> .<br>Bisnujah is studying for the exam.            | a) <del>quiet</del><br>b) noisy |
| 2. | You should respect your parents.<br>They always try to give you the ..... | e) worst<br>f) best             |
| 3. | She is a social worker.<br>She raises funds to help the .....             | g) rich<br>h) poor              |
| 4. | Eat a salad every day.<br>It is ..... and easy to prepare..               | i) healthy<br>j) unhealthy      |
| 5. | He is a good leader.<br>His ..... today is a source of inspiration.       | k) absence<br>l) presence       |
| 6. | Be a nature lover.<br>Don't let anyone ..... our environment.             | c) destroy<br>d) save           |

[1 X 5= 5 Marks]

**Test 2**

*Look at the invitation and fill in the grid. One is done for you.*

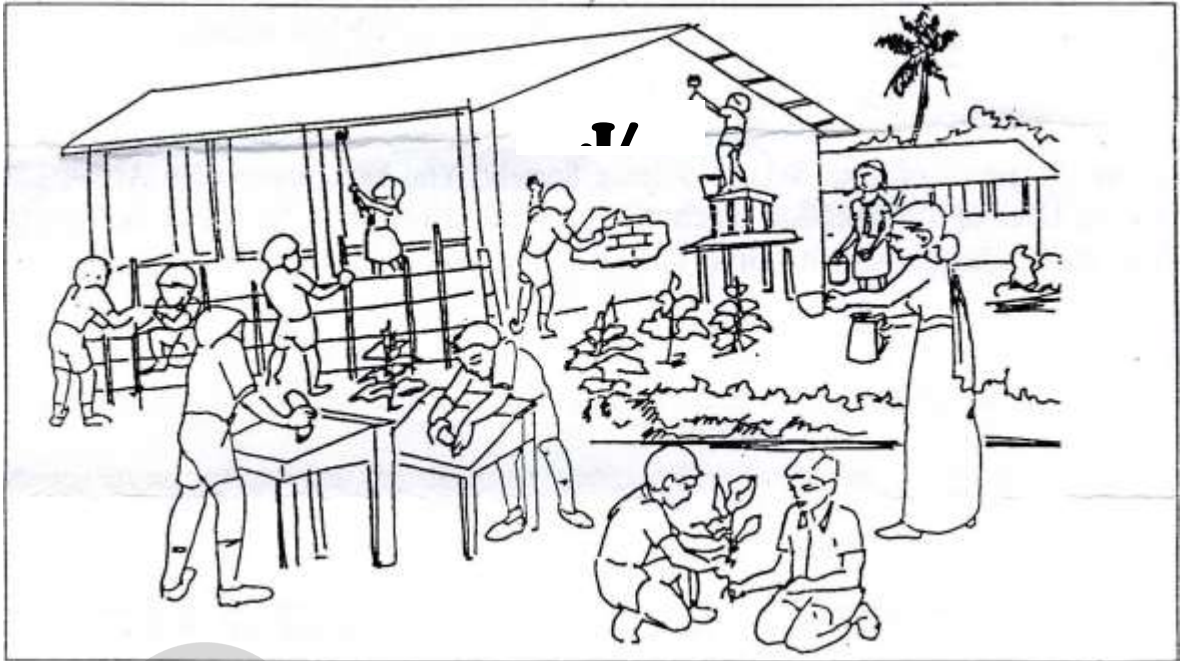
<b>Invitation</b>
Egyptian Java User Group have the pleasure to invite you to attend
<b>Java Developer Conference - 2016</b>
Intercontinental City Stars – Dehiwela Al – Bisnu Hall
November 25 <sup>th</sup> , 2016 from 9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.
Join us in the Grand Dinner at 7:30 p.m.
<b>Organizers.</b>

1. Occasion	: <b>Java Developer Conference - 2016</b>
2. Date	: .....
3. Venue	: .....
4. Time	: .....
5. Organizers	: .....
6. Event at 7:30	: .....

[1 X 5= 5 Marks]

### Test 3

Study the picture and fill in the blanks in the text given below.



The students of J/ Velanai East M.V. are engaged in a shramadana campaign to clean the school ..... for celebrating the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the school. This is the ..... of the shramadana . There are many children taking part in various activities. A teacher is guiding and monitoring them. Two children are ..... a tree in front of their school. Two boys are wiping the desks. Some children are engaged in ..... a fence. A boy is plastering the damaged wall. A little girl is cleaning the cob webs. A boy is painting the wall. There is a flower garden near the school building and a girl is bringing water in a ..... to water the plants. The teacher is giving tea to the students.

[1 X 5= 5 Marks]

### Test 4

*Complete the sentences putting the words within brackets in the right order. The first one is done for you.*

1. Once upon a time a fox and a crow lived in the jungle ( in / lived/jungle/the)
2. They were good friends .....( led / and / happy / a / life)
3. One day the crow flew .....(food / away / find / to )
4. But the fox went .....( her / everywhere /of /search / in)

5. He couldn't .....(out / find / her)

6. Finally, he found the crow .....

( on /sitting / branch / the / tree /a / of)

[1 X 5= 5 Marks]

### Test 5

**Complete the following sentences. Write the correct letter in the box.**

*The first one is done for you.*

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| i. Our ancestors lived in caves and (..d..)            | (a) in a desert like land.                      |
| ii. My sister is extravagant. She (.....)              | (b) spend money on buying such a luxurious car. |
| iii. The accumulation of polythene (.....) organisms.  | (c ) can destroy beneficial soil.               |
| iv. Water can become scarce (.....)                    | (d) <del>used stone tools.</del>                |
| v. Excessive use of fertilizers and pesticides (.....) | (e) spends a lot of money on clothes.           |
| vi. He's very thrifty. So he won't (.....)             | (f) has become a major environmental issue.     |

[1 X 5= 5 Marks]

### Test 6

**Your class teacher has informed the class that they have made an arrangement to go to a Science Exhibition at the University of Jaffna. Your friend is absent to the school today. Write a note informing him / her about it.**

Use about 40 – 50 words.

Include the following :

- Date, Time , mode of travel
- Request him / her to join.

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[ C – 2, L – 3 = 5 Marks]

## Test 7

***Read the following text and answer the questions.***

An awareness initiative was commenced at the Homagama base Hospital, titled ‘Puruduwenna’, by Fashion Bug, one of the Sri Lanka’s leading retail clothing chains with over 16 outlets island-wide. Its belief that change and care towards Mother Nature starts from one individual is a strong message it wishes to convey. ‘As life gets busier day by day we tend to forget the little conscious and unconscious things we do that in any way harms the environment.

This program act as an awareness platform, a gentle reminder that we need to take more responsibility in our actions and spread the same to others to nurture and preserve a cleaner and safer environment. ‘As a responsible corporate citizen of the country, we are obliged to give back to the societies and communities that spread across the island.’ Name boards with simple yet powerful messages related to environmental conservation such as ‘Plant a tree for future generations’, ‘Use the garbage bin for littering’, ‘Reduce the use of polythene’, were displayed by Fashion Bug to create awareness among the public and visitors to the hospital. Fashion Bug commenced its operations since 1994 as a partnership business with 4 partners and a staff population of just 15, and today it possesses over 16 stores throughout the country with a workforce of over 1,250 employees, and stands among the leading clothing stores in Sri Lanka catering with the fashion motto of ‘changing lifestyles’.

1. What is the name of the awareness programme?  
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2. Who is responsible to care for the Mother Nature?  
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3. Why do we forget the things we do that harm the environment?  
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4. How many workers are working in Fashion Bug?  
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5. Write two messages from the text which are related to the environmental conservation.
  - a) .....
  - b) .....

[1 X 5= 5 Marks]

## Test 8

*Welfare Society of your school has planned to organize a mobile medical camp to help the elders in your area. As the secretary of the Welfare Society write a notice to inform the villagers requesting them to come and get treatment. Use about 50 to 60 words.*

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[ C – 2, L – 3 = 5 Marks]

## Part- II

## Test 9

*The following sentences are written by a student. There is a mistake in each sentence. Rewrite the sentences, correcting the mistakes.*

*The first one is done for you.*

1. Smoking is harmful to smokers an those around.  
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2. Newspaper are useful to people of all ages.  
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3. More than sixty people has been killed by lightening.  
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4. I will conduct free medical checkups for poor patience.  
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5. Most students don't do there best under pressure.  
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6. You too could told us about your dream.  
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[1 X 5= 5 Marks]

### Test 10

Select a word from the box which has a similar meaning to the phrases given within brackets and write it in the space given. There are three extra words.

distinctive  
diverse

distance  
length

limited  
increases

services  
escalate

Public transportation trains, mostly built for safe travel, low speeds at both land based railways and underground subway lines. Inter-city rail (1) ..... (**system that provides something that the public needs**) are express passenger train services that cover longer (2) ..... ( **the amount of space between two places**) than regional trains. Most typically, an inter-city train is an express train with (3) ..... (**restricted to a particular numbers**) stops and comfortable carriages to serve long travel.

The speed of this rail lines are quite (4) ..... (**very different from each other and varies** ) ranging from 50 km/h to 350km/h. Development of high-speed rail in some countries (5) ..... (**to become or to make something greater in usage**) the share of railway for such longer journeys.

[1 X 5= 5 Marks]

### Test 11

Read the following poem and answer the questions given below it :

#### Believe in Yourself

Set your standards high  
You deserve the best.  
Try for what you want  
And never settle for less.

Believe in yourself  
No matter what you choose.  
Keep a winning attitude  
And you can never lose.

Think about your destination  
But don't worry if you stray  
Because the most important thing  
Is what you've learned along the way?

Take all that you've become  
To be all that you can be.  
Soar above the clouds  
And let your dreams set you free.

1. What does the poet ask you to set?

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2. How can we always win?

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3. Write the rhyming words.

a. **choose** .....

b. **stray** .....

4. Underline the correct answer.

**Soar** means ,

- a. to rise quickly and smoothly up
- b. to wander without purpose
- c. to change so that they become less friendly

5. Write the line which says about the most important thing to us.

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[1 X 5= 5 Marks]

## Test 12

*Fill in the blanks using the words given in the box.*

*are father champion then hears call you in and surprised yells on says receives*

A son and his father were walking on the mountains. Suddenly his son falls and hurts himself and screams. To his surprise he (1) ..... the voice repeating, somewhere (2)..... the mountain. Curious, he (3)....., “Who are you?”. He (4)..... the answer “Who are (5).....?”. He looks to his (6)..... and asks “What’s going (7).....?” The father smiles and (8)....., “My son, pay attention “(9)..... he screams, “ You are the (10)..... !” The voice answers, “You(11)..... the champion! “ The boy is (12)....., but does not understand. (13).....the father explains. “People (14)..... this ECHO, but really this is LIFE. It gives you back everything you say or do. Our life is simply a reflection of our actions. Life will give you back everything you have given to it”.

[ ½ x 14 = 7 Marks]

## Test 13

*Use the correct form of the verb to complete the dialogue. One is done for you.*

- Nishan : We (1) ..... (pass) Kadugannawa now. Aren’t we?
- Father : Yes, how do you know?
- Nishan : I can see a tunnel over there. I (2) ..... saw ..... (see) a picture of it recently.
- Father : This rock was hollowed for the vehicles to pass. It (3) .....  
(construct) by the British rulers.
- Nishan : Why did they build the roads in our country?
- Father : The roads (4) ..... (build) for their own benefit.
- Nishan : Who maintains these roads neatly now?
- Father : These roads (5) ..... (maintain) by the RDA.
- Nishan : Father, there’s a peculiar shaped rock. Do you know anything about it?
- Father : It’s Batalegala. It has a strange shape. That’s why it (6) .....  
(know) as ‘Bible rock’.

[1 X 5= 5 Marks]

## Test 14

*Your friend who is studying in an another district now is struggling to get good grades in the G.C.E (O/L) examination. Write a letter to her advising what she could do to achieve his / her target. Use about 100 words.*

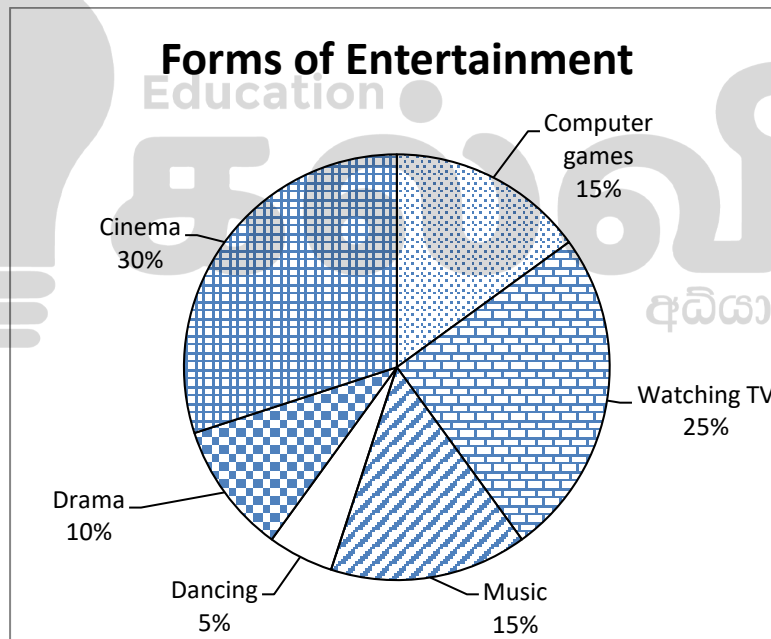
Include the followings:

- Importance of being methodical.
- Benefits of working according to a timetable.
- Taking regular breaks.
- Eating nutritious food.

**OR**

*The following pie chart shows the percentages of the popular forms of entertainment among Gr.11 students. Study the pie chart and write a description about it. The following words will help you. Use about 100 words.*

majority, minority, lowest percentage, highest percentage, equal amount





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[ 10 Marks]

### Test 15

*Read the following text and answer the questions.*

I stayed out in the forest nearly all that day because the baby kept on crying. It was dark, and the window was lit up when I came home, and still the baby was fretting. **Its** eyes were gone dull and it would not go to sleep in the night. Mother kept the baby walking up and down, crooning and mumbling to it and rocking it in her arms. She said it was very ill and she held it pressed close to her. I asked her if it was going to die, but she walked a little faster. As I was very sleepy, we did not talk too much that night.

After breakfast I told mother I was going down to the old pool to fish and that I bring her some fish for dinner. But **she** looked at me called me to her.

“The baby is dreadfully ill” she said “and we must go without the fish. Feel its poor thin hot hands; that’s the fever. Do you love it? Then take it in your arms.”

But I shook my head. It looked very ugly and just wailed and wailed like a fly in the air. “I think I would like to go fishing mother” I said “and I promise you shall have the biggest catch.”

But she kept on pressing that the baby was too ill to wait and that I must go for the doctor in the village. “It wasn’t so very far”, she said “and you could fish tomorrow.”

“But it is far” I told her, “and it doesn’t look so very bad. It’s only crying” I said. And Iran out before she could catch.

But I did not catch any fish. I suppose that they would not bite because I had been wicked. So I tied up my lines and came home about three in the afternoon. The baby was not crying now, when I went in. But my mother didn't turn her head to speak to me. She was kneeling beside its old rocking cradle. Some of her hair hanging down on her shoulders.

"Shall I go for the doctor now, mother? It'll be dark before I get back." Mother turned on me very wild. "Oh you coward, you coward. Dark! It's dark enough for me."

1. Say whether the following sentences are true or false by writing 'T' or 'F' against each of them.

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| (a) The writer was irritated by the baby's cry.           | (       ) |
| (b) Mother sent him to bring some fish for dinner.        | (       ) |
| (c) The boy returned home with the biggest catch of fish. | (       ) |
| (d) The writer did not take care on the baby.             | (       ) |

2. Why did the writer wish to stay out in the forest?

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3. Write down the sentence that shows that the writer didn't realize the baby was seriously ill?

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4. Where did the writer go after the breakfast?

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5. What did the mother mean by 'It's dark enough for me.'

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6. What could be the lesson we learn from the story? Underline the correct answer.

- (a) Children need not bother over things that happen around them.  
 (b) We should learn to bear the cry of babies.  
 (c) Being kind and concerned could save a life.

7. What do the following words in the passage refer to?

- a. 'Its' in line two .....
- b. 'she' in line eight .....

[ 8 Marks]

## Test 16

*Write about one of the following topic:*

*a. An article to a newspaper on the following topic,*

**‘Value of Time’**

You may include,

- Benefits of working on time
- The best use of time
- Disadvantages of wasting time / improper use of it
- Importance of time management for a successful life

*b. A speech you would make at the morning assembly at school.*

**‘If we could lead a simple life’**

Write about the changes we could make in individuals and the society we live.

*c. An essay on the following topic:*

**‘Let’s save our mother earth’**

You may include,

- the threats to mother earth
- causes
- suggestion to save her

**d. Complete the following dialogue:**

Priya : Hello Meera ! Good Morning, Nobody at home? Today is Sunday. Where are your parents?

Meera : .....

[ 15 Marks]

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