



Provincial Level Common Examination November - 2017
Provincial Department of Education - Eastern Province

Grade: 10	English Language - I	Time :- 01 Hour
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Answer all questions on the paper itself

Test - 01

☞ Complete the dialogue between Rahul and kholie. Use the words given in the box. Write the correct letter in the blank. The first one is done for you.

a) watch	b) in	c) know	d) think	e) at	f) meet
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Rahul :- Hi! Kholie. Are you free tonight?

Kholie :- I (1)d.... so. Why?

Rahul :- Because there's a new science - fiction movie (2) the theatre. Would you like to see it?

Kholie :- No, thanks. I don't like science - fictions

Rahul :- Oh! what about a comedy then? There's one starring Adam Sandler.

Kholie :- I don't (3) I don't really like his

Rahul :- What about pop concert movies then?

Kholie :- Well I am not interested (4) pop music

Rahul :- Oh, I understand now, it's Thursday today and your favourite sitcom is on TV!

Kholie :- You know me very well Rahul... you are welcome to (5) it with me.

Rahul :- That's a great idea. Let's (6) at your place at 800 then!.

Test - 02

(05 Marks)

☞ Fill in the blanks in the following paragraph. Use the words given in the box. The first one is done for you.

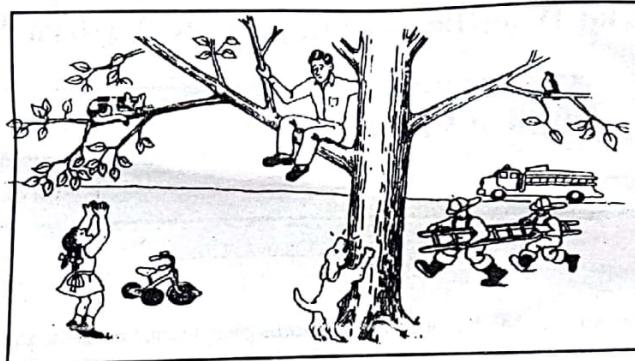
he , him , my , we , mine , me

I am John. Ravi is (1) my friend. (2) lives close to my house. We go to school by bus (3) reach school in time, but he cannot return home with (4) because his class finishes at 3.00 but (5) at 2.00 pm. In the evening his father gives (6) a lift.

(1 x 5 = 05 Marks)

Test - 03

☞ Study the picture and fill in the blanks in the text given below. Use one word in each blank.



This is a picture of a garden. There is a huge (1) in the garden. There are (2) men and a girl in this picture. The two (3) who had come by a vehicle are hurrying into the garden, carrying a (4) towards the tree. They are trying to (5) the man who is on top of the tree. The puppy is (6) at the man and trying to (7) the tree. There is a bird (8) on the tree. The little girl is (9) at the cat on top of the tree. There is a small (10) near the girl.

($\frac{1}{2} \times 10 = 05$ Marks)

Test - 04

☞ Match the extracts with the headings. Write the correct letter in the blank provided.
One is done for you.

Extracts

1) The old crafts of lace making, embroidery and woodcarving can be done in free times.	(.....)	a) Pilgrimage to a sacred Mountain
2) We can sit for hours without being disturbed by any noise or talking at the library	(.....)	b) Inculcating reading habits
3) The Buddhists give the name "Shrine of Sri Pada" to the temple on the top of Adam's Peak.	(.....)	c) enjoy your holiday and be one with nature
4) Jeep Safaris according to your need. Ideal way to spend your holiday at reasonable rates.	(.....)	d) clean up campaign
5) This movement pushes the water up wards and out wards and forms gigantic waves on the surface of the sea.	(.....)	e) Leisure improves life by providing ways of self expression
6) Let us all get together and Safeguard our valuable children from dangerous threats.	eg. (.....d.....)	f) Natural disasters and its adverse effects.

($1 \times 5 = 05$ Marks)

Test - 05

Read the following dialogue and complete the message. Use only one word in each blank. The first one is done for you.

Rasith :- Hello is that Nimal?

Nimal :- Yes, Good evening Rasith.

Rasith :- Good evening. Our friend sara is celebrate his birthday today.

Nimal :- Oh! what a Surprise.

Rasith :- He wants us to meet at Taj Restaurant this night at 8.00pm

Nimal :- Ok. We can go. When can we meet?

Basith :- How about the Kinniya Bridge at 730pm

Nimal :- Naveen is coming along too. Can you ask him to join us?

Basith: :- I'll do that. But if he is not at home, I'll leave a message and ask him to ring you?

Naveen

I came to meet you. Your mother said that you had gone to class. So I am (1) leaving this with your sister. Rasith called me this (2) He told me that Sara is celebrating his birthday today and asked us to join him at the (3) at Taj Restaurant at 8.00 pm. We have decided to join him. He told that you were also coming. (4) wants you to (5) at Kinniya Bridge at 7.30 pm. Please (6) him for more information.

Rasith,

(1 x 5 = 05 Marks)

Test - 06

15 You are the Secretary of the young sports club in your school and the members have organized a tree planting campaign at the term end your teacher wants you to write a notice to be put on the school notice board inviting the teachers and all the students from Grade 6 to Grade 11 for this campaign. (Use about 40 to 50 words.)

Include the following

- date, time, venue
- Invite the participants
- Needed equipment

(05 Marks)

Test - 07

☞ Read the passage and answer the questions.

An Indonesian folktale tells the story of a fisherman who always wanted more than what he already had.

"If only I were rich!" was the thought constantly on his mind. He would never have to fish again. He would build a large house for himself and have hordes of servants to wait on him.

One day, when the fisherman was at sea, something heavy got entangled in his fishing net. Cursing his bad luck, he hauled the net in. Something shiny caught his eyes it was a gold chain that was 'caught' in the net!

"Gold! I'll be rich!" Visions of his day dreams coming true raced through his mind as he began to pull in the gold chain. His small boat began to sink due to the weight of the gold, but the man was too greedy to stop. Soon, water was rushing into the boat.

Still, the man continued pulling in the never ending gold chain. The boat eventually capsized and the gold chain sank to the bottom of the sea, taking the greedy fisherman with it.

1) Who went fishing?

(01 Mark)

2) Why did the boat sink?

(01 Mark)

3) What was caught in the net?

(01 Mark)

4) Say whether the following sentences are true or false. Put a 'T' for true and 'F' for false in the space given.

a) finally the fisherman got the gold chain. ()

b) The fisherman was a man of wealth. ()

5) Find Similar word from the text for the following phrases.

($\frac{1}{2} \times 2 = 01$ Mark)

a) got caught

b) Sank

($\frac{1}{2} \times 2 = 01$ Mark)

Test - 08

☞ Write a paragraph on one of the following topics. (Use about 50 words.)

- a) Your favourite gift
- b) The value of your mother

(05 Marks)



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Test - 09

Q3 Complete the paragraph by selecting the correct word within brackets. The first one is done for you.

Christian Bernard was born on November 8th, 1922 in Beaufort West, South Africa. His father (1) was (is, was, were) a christian preacher. He received his education in Beaufort West. Bernard studied medicine.

(2) (in ~~at~~on) the University of Cape Town, (3) (why, where, when) he received his Bachelor of Medicine in 1946 and the Doctorate in Medicine in 1953. He got his P.H.D. from (4) (the, an, a) University of Minnesota in the U.S.A in 1955.

Then he returned to South Africa to enter upon a career as a cardiothoracic surgeon. Barnard introduced open heart surgery to South Africa. He (5) (performing, perform, performed) the world's first human heart transplant on 3rd December 1967. (6) (Her, His, He) patient was 53 years old dentist Louis Washkansky. (7) (until, when, Though) Louis lived only 18 days. Bernard became one of the world's (8) (more, most, many) famous surgeons.

Since 1960 he was suffering from rheumatoid arthritis. He wrote books on health and medicine in addition (9) (to, in, on) novels. Bernard who received many doctorates, retired as Head of the Cardiothoracic Surgery of the cape Town University (10) (in, on, at) 1983, due to poor health. Bernard died (11) (who, and, while) holidaying in Cyprus, Greece on 2nd September 2001 from an acute asthma attack.

(½ x 10 = 05 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.

rolled, sentimental, gravity, clasped, constantly, rebukes, monotonous, wrinkled

My grandmother was an old woman. She had been old and (1) (lines that are formed on someone's face as they grow old) for the twenty years that I had known her. My grandmother and I were good friends. My parents left me with her as they lived in the city and we were (2) (something that happens all the time) together. She used to wake me up in the morning and get me ready for school. She said her prayers in a (3) (repeated pattern which never changes) way while she bathed and dressed me. As the years (4) (kept turning over a long period) by, we saw less of each other. When I came back from school, she would ask me what the teacher had taught me. I would tell her English words, and little things of western science, the law of (5) (Force which causes things to drop to the ground), the world being round and so on.

(1 x 5 = 05 Marks)

Test - 11

Fill in the blanks with the words given below. One is done for you.

live, favourite, -beak, on, have, and, from, with, of, are, sharp, long, foot, back, found

The Woodpecker

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The woodpecker is an interesting and amazing bird. It has a strong pointed (1) beak that acts as a hammer to remove bark (2) trees and find insects to eat. It has a very (3) tongue, up to four inches long that is sticky (4) the tip for catching insects. Most birds (5) one toe pointing back (6) three pointing forward on each foot. Woodpeckers (7) a little bit different. They have two (8) claws pointing (9) and two sharp claws pointing forward on each (10) to help them hold onto the sides (11) trees.

The life span of a woodpecker is 4 to 11 years. Their (12) foods are insects, fruits, acorns and nuts. These awesome birds (13) in forests and wooded areas (14) lots of trees. Woodpeckers can be (15) all over the world, except in Australia.

($\frac{1}{2} \times 14 = 07$ Marks)

Test - 12

செய்தி Change the following sentences into passive.

1) The team will celebrate their Victory tomorrow

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2) Who ate the last cookie?

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3) The postman has delivered the parcels.

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4) Somebody had removed the label of this bottle.

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5) Harry ate six shrimp at dinner

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(1 x 5 = 05 Marks)

Test - 13

செய்தி Read the following paragraph. In each line one word is incorrect and it is underlined write the correct word in the space provided.

There are many activities that I like to do to (1)

keep myself happy. Out of those mine favourite is (2)

writing poems. I enjoy writing as they keeps (3)

my mind and thoughts happily. So everytime (4)

I feel dull and bored I sits down somewhere (5)

of a piece of paper and a pen. Then I (6)

think of a interesting topic. Sometimes it (7)

is about something in the environment but (8)

sometimes it is one of an experiences I (9)

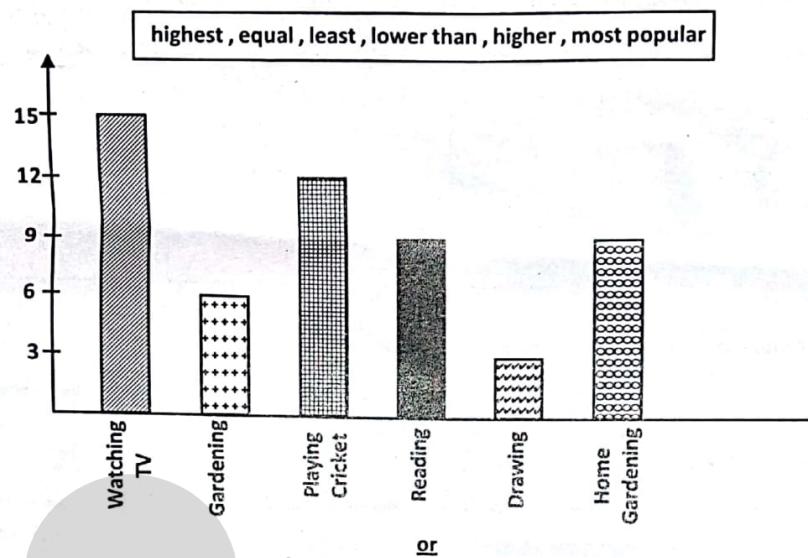
have had. Sometimes there is a smooth flows of (10)

words and sometimes it takes time to shape up my feelings.

($\frac{1}{2} \times 10 = 05$ Marks)

Test - 14

a) The following bar graph shows the result of a survey conducted among grade ten students about their favourite hobbies. Study the chart and write a description. Use the following words. Use about 100 words.



b) Write a letter to your uncle who is in Kandy, saying that you will visit him during the December Vacation. Include the following.

- The date of your arrival
- The purpose of your visit
- The places you hope to visit

Use about 100 words.

(10 Marks)

Read the passage and answer the questions.

A boat was taking a large number of Children from the shore of the Island to a ship, when suddenly one of the children pointed to the white waves thrown off the front of the boat as it cut through the water. All the children who had never been in a boat before, rushed forward together in spite of the warning shouts of the schoolmaster with them. Their weight pressed the front of the boat under the water, a wave came, and in a second the boat sank and they were all left struggling in the water.

A second boat was sent at once from the ship to the place of the accident. Those members of the ships crew who were on the shore swam out to save as many children as they could. One of the crew, who was fishing from some rocks near the camp, stopped only to put his wrist - watch on a rock and swam out fully clothed to help.

One by one all the children were collected up and put into the boat, some still alive, others apparently dead. As soon as the last body had been lifted in, the boat went to the camp of the ship owner on the shore where the children who were still unconscious were given aid by the crew of the ship.

Until late that night the battle went on for the lives of the children. One by one they recovered and began to breathe again without help. At last only two and the schoolmaster had not recovered and for them all hope was over.

As soon as the news of the accident reached the Village on the other side of the island, the children's parents and friends had hurried to the camp of the ship's owner to ask after their own children and to help. All through the hours of darkness the camp was full of strangers and all the valuable goods in the tents were completely open and unguarded. But not a single article was missing in the morning. All the visitors to the camp were completely honest.

Unfortunately this good record was spoilt by one thing the watch the seaman had left behind on the rocks when he went to save the children was stolen while he was in the water.

Next day the ship's owner met the village priest and said "It was terrible about the children" The priest replied, "It was worst about the watch.

1) Say whether the following statements are True or false by writing "T" or "F" against each one of them.

- a) The children were accompanied by two schoolmasters. []
- b) The seaman who helped the children left his wristwatch on a rock. []
- c) All the children and the schoolmaster were rescued in this incident. []
- d) The crew were struggling for the children's lives late till night. [] $(\frac{1}{2} \times 4 = 02 \text{ Marks})$

2) What took a large number of children from the shore of the island to a ship? (01 Mark)

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3) Had all the children been in a boat before?

Write the line that indicate this (01 Mark)

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4) Complete the blanks using words from the passage.

In this accident children and the lost their lives. $(\frac{1}{2} \times 2 = 01 \text{ Mark})$

5) Find a word from the passage which has the same meaning for the following :-

a) Group of people working in a ship

b) A religious clergyman

($\frac{1}{2} \times 2 = 01$ Mark)

6) Why was the camp full of strangers all night?

(01 Mark)

7) What do the underlined words in the paragraph refer to?

(a) "Their" in Paragraph 1

(b) "He" in Paragraph 6

($\frac{1}{2} \times 2 = 01$ Mark)

Test - 16

☞ Write on one of the following. Use about 200 words.

1) Write an article to the newspaper about a rainforest or a National park in Sri Lanka. Include the following.

- Where it is located
- What you can see there
- Benefits of this rainforest Park
- Threats to this forest / Park

2) Complete the following story.

- Standing on the bridge, I looked around. I saw a small child sitting all alone.

3) Your father had informed you about the trip that you are going to make after the term exam. You are meeting your friend after the term exam. Write the dialogue that will happen between you and your friend about the trip.

(15 Marks)

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