



# Zonal Education Office -Jaffna

## Enrichment Examination-2017

### English



1814

Grade: 08

Time:

1. Write the plural form of the following.

Singular

Plural

eg: a glass of water

glasses of water

1. a sheet of paper

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2. a box of matches

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3. a packet of noodles

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4. a group of boys

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5. a pot of rice

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[5x1]

2. Add suitable prefix

Add suitable suffix

eg: advantage

disadvantage

careful

carefully

1.direct

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1.neat

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2.understand

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2.home

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3.usual

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3.teach

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4.regular

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4.hope

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5.arrange

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5.friend

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[re/in/ir/mis/un]

[ship/less/ness/er/ful]

[10x1]

3. Read the following notice and answer the questions.

**Notice**  
**Nature Club**

Our school has organized a tree planting campaign to mark the “National Tree Planting Day” The principal of our school has appealed to the staff and students to consider the period from April 15<sup>th</sup> to May 15<sup>th</sup> as the National tree planting month.

The opening ceremony begins on 15<sup>th</sup> April 2017 at 8.00 am at the school playground.

It has been decided to distribute 2000 mango plants packed in bags for all the students in the school.

10.04.2016

Secretary  
Nature Club

1. What is this notice about?

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2. When does the ceremony begin?

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3. Where is the opening ceremony?

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4. How many mango plants will be distributed?

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5. Who wrote this notice ?

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[5x2]

4. Arrange the given words to form meaningful sentences.

1815

1. is / Kandy / large / in / city / a / Sri Lanka

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2. at / orphanage / Pinnawela / visited / We / elephant / the

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3. time / will / leave / What / they / Japan / ?

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4. lived / Peter Smith / a / city / parents / his / in / with

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5. donated / few books / I / to / library / the / a

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[5x1]

5. Write about "How did you spend your last vacation" using 50 words

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[5]

Read the following poem and answer the questions.

**The Car Trip** [ by Ruth Donnelly]

We are going on a trip.  
Not on a plane! Not in a ship  
We will ride in our new car.  
Buckle up--we will go far.

Red light, stop. Green light, go.  
Yellow light means slow, slow, slow.  
Baby brother starts to fret.  
Sister says, "Are we there yet?"

Quiet, now. Don't make a peep.  
Baby brother's fast asleep.  
I'm as quiet as a mouse ...  
And here we are--at Grandma's house!

1. Where is the family going?

2. Who falls asleep in the poem?

3. What does the red light mean?

4. What does sister say?

5. What kind of car does the family have?

[5x1]

7. Fill in the blanks using suitable prepositions given in the brackets

- (a) A lamp is hung ..... my head.  
(b) He sailed ..... the sea.  
(c) He is not.....home just now.  
(d) The dog ran..... its master  
(e) We have been waiting .....the bus.  
(f) My father came ..... Canada last week.  
(g) Go.....the garden.  
(h) He sent me a box..... books  
(i) The cat sat..... the tree.  
(j) We went to school .....my father.

[under /of /with /into /above /behind /from /for /at /across]



[10x1]

8. Complete the following dialogue

Mother: Son, What time will they leave Japan?

Son: .....

Mother: That's good .How far is it from Nagoya to Sri Lanka?

Son: .....

Mother : Really? How long will it take?

Son: .....

Mother: .....

Son: Yes, They are taking direct flight to Colombo.

Mother: Let's get ready to go to the airport.

Son: .....They will take a taxi to come here.

- a) We needn't go to the airport.  
b) They would have left by now.  
c) Are there any direct flight?  
d) It will take about eight and a half hour.  
e) It's nearly 6,500 km.

[5x2]

**9. Complete the sentences using the correct form of adjective.**

1. Jupiter is the .....planet in the solar system. [big]  
2. Gold is ..... than silver.[expensive]  
3. A bear is a .....animal.[strong]  
4. Maths is .....than for her Science.[easy]  
5. Today is .....than yesterday.[pleasant]  
6. Peter is the .....player on the team.[fast]  
7. My friend's drawing is very .....[colourful]  
8. Mahaweli is the .....river in Sri Lanka.[long]  
9. Mala is .....than Malar [pretty]  
10. The butterfly is a .....insect[beautiful]

[10x1]

**10. Change the following sentences into passive**

1. John cleans the room on Sundays.

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2. Children played computer games yesterday evening.

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3. Father will buy a new car next year.

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4. Students arrange the classroom.

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5. The Nature Club will organize a meeting.

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[5x2]

**11. Read the following passage and answer the questions given below.**

**Rosie's Bedtime Story [ by Anita Amin]**

Rosie loved bedtime. Her dad always told her stories. Sometimes, he told fairy tales. Sometimes, he told animal stories. And sometimes, he told sports stories. Rosie couldn't wait to hear Dad's next story.

But that night, Mom tucked Rosie into bed instead. "Dad is sick," Mom told Rosie. "But I can tell you a story if you want me to." So Mom told Rosie a story. But to Rosie, it wasn't the same. She felt sad. She didn't want to Dad to be sick, and she missed story time with Dad.

She thought maybe Dad missed story time, too. This gave her an idea. Rosie hopped out of bed. She went to Dad's room. She knocked on his door. "Come in," Dad said.

When Rosie opened the door, Dad smiled weakly. "I'm sorry. I'm going to miss story time tonight." Rosie sat on Dad's bed. "No you won't. I'm going to tell you a story." So Rosie told Dad a story about a castle, a dragon, and a princess. Dad loved the story and he fell asleep with a smile on his face. "Get well quickly, Dad," Rosie whispered.

1. What is the title of the passage?

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2. What kinds of story had dad told to Rosie?

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3. Why didn't Rosie's dad tuck her into bed?

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4. What type of story did Rosie tell her dad?

- a) a true story      b) a scary story      c) a story about animals      d) a fairy tale

4. Where does the beginning of the story take place?

- a) in Rosie's bedroom    b) in Rosie's dad's bedroom    c) in the living room  
d) in the kitchen

5. Who fell asleep at the end of the story?

[5x2]

**12. Write about one of the following using 100 words.**

- A festival you celebrated last year.
- Amazing places in the world.
- A story that you have read recently.
- A speech on “It's our duty to love our mother nature”

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