



Provincial Level Pilot Examination July - 2017
Provincial Department of Education - Eastern Province

Grade: 11

English Language

Time :- 01 Hour

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Marks :-

Part - I

→ Test - 01

Study the Picture and complete the blanks with suitable words. The first one is done for you.

(mangoes, mountains, butterfly, bicycle, fish, birds)

1) Last week Kumar went to the market and bought some fish.



2) On our way home, we, plucked some _____ from our friends' garden.



3) Rohit's hobby is watching _____.



4) While travelling to Colombo, I took some photographs of the _____.



5) My Uncle gave me a _____ for my birthday.



6) I saw a beautiful _____ sucking nectar from flowers.



(1 x 5 = 5 Marks)

→ Test - 02

Fill in the blanks with suitable words, within bracket. The first one is done for you.

Notice

Please take off (1) Yours (you) shoes before entering the temple.

Secretary.

Ravi,
Please give (2) _____, (1) your Maths Exercise book tomorrow.

Ranjith

Mother,
If father is at home, ask (3) _____ (he) to pick (4) _____ (1)
at 4.30 pm

Sun

Hanifa,
(5) _____ (we) are going to see a film at 6.00 pm. Would you like to join
(6) _____ (we)

Kusum

(1 x 5 = 5 Marks)

→ Test - 03

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



This is a picture of a garden. It is a (1) _____ day. There is a lady with three (2) _____
in the garden. The lady is with an (3) _____. A boy is (4) _____ a plant, and his friend is
(5) _____ him. There is a (6) _____ near the boy. The boy who is working is wearing a
(7) _____ and a pair of wellington boots. There are (8) _____ trees in the garden. The
girl who is under the tree is having a (9) _____ and a (10) _____.

(1 x 10 = 10 Marks)

→ Test - 04

Read the Paragraph and match the meanings in A with the words in B. One is done for you.

The coconut palm is a very useful tree. The nut alone can be put to many uses. The Kernel of the young nut can be eaten and its water makes a refreshing drink. The milk which is obtain from the Kernel of the mature nut is used in cooking. The Kernel is also dried, and the dried Kernel is called copra. Coconut oil is extracted from copra. The husk or outer covering of the dry nut is soaked and beaten to loosen the fibres. It is then made into coir. Rope is made from coir. The hard shell of the nut is polished and made into spoons and dishes.

A		B
A - the young nut	5	1) Copra
B - the mature nut	_____	2) Coir, rope
C - the dried nut	_____	3) Kernel
D - the husk	_____	4) Coconut milk
E - the polished shell	_____	5) a refreshing drink
F - used for cooking	_____	6) Spoons and dishes

(1 x 5 = 5 Marks)

→ Test - 05

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

Daughter : Here's a letter for you mother.

Mother : Oh! Dear, when did the postman arrive?

Daughter : About half an hour ago mother.

Mother : Now it's 8 O' clock. Isn't he early today?

Daughter : Yes, mother. What's the letter about?

Mother : Let me see. Oh! It's a transfer for me to a National School in Colombo.

Daughter : What's going to happen for us, Mother?
Are you going to take us with you?

Mother : Don't worry. I'll take you to my school.
You can study there and get a lot of exposure in Colombo.

Daughter : Oh! But I'll miss my friends and teachers in Kurunegala.

Mother : Don't worry. You can meet them when we come to the village during holidays.

1) The Postman arrived at (1) 7.30 am

2) The letter is about a (2) _____

3) The daughter studies in a school in (3) _____

- 4) The daughter will study in a school in (4) _____
- 5) The dialogue is between the (5) _____ and the (6) _____
- 6) The daughter will get a lot of (7) _____ in Colombo.
- 7) She will meet her (8) _____ and (9) _____ during her vacation.
- 8) Mother has been transferred from (10) _____ to (11) _____

(11 x 10 = 5 Marks)

⇒ Test - 06

Read the Note you received from your friend Thilak and write a reply asking him not to call over to your house next Sunday. (Use 40 to 50 words).

Ravi,
I am looking forward to collecting "the brown puppy" from you. Can I come to your house next Sunday.
Thilak

(5 Marks)

⇒ Test - 07

Read the passage and answer the questions.

Oxtail Soup

One day, an old and fussy millionaire entered a restaurant to have a meal. The staff of the restaurant saw him. They knew he was a man who wanted the best but was not ready to pay much.

A menu was kept in Mr. John's hand, and the waiter waited patiently as the millionaire kept changing his order. Finally, he decided to order a bowl of oxtail soup. The waiter took the order and disappeared quickly. Then he immediately served him with a bowl of oxtail soup.

When the dish was served Mr. John called the waiter again. The staff shook their heads. They knew Mr. John was going to ask for proof that the soup was made with real oxtail. He was prepared for this situation. After listening to the complaint, the waiter went into the kitchen and dragged out on his with a bandaged tail. He was speechless, the Millionaire had no choice but to continue with his meal.

- 1) Who entered the restaurant to have a meal?



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Part - II

→ Test 09

Use the correct form of verbs within brackets and fill in the blanks. The first one is done for you.

Dear Dilan,

Thank you very much for your help when we (a) visited (visit) you last Sunday. Of course, we
(b) _____ (enjoy) a lot with your family. I (c) _____ (think) I will never forget the
delicious lunch your mother (d) _____ (prepare) for us. It (e) _____ (is) the first time
I (f) _____ (swim) in a river. I (g) _____ (visit) you during our next vacation with my
best friend. Please (h) _____ (use) the pictures I sent you to (i) _____ (finish) your
project. If you (j) _____ (want) more pictures please (k) _____ (show) me

Friend,
Sunil.

(1 x 10 = 10 Marks)

→ Test 10

Select a word from the box which has a similar meaning to the phrases given within brackets. The first one is done for you.

environment, minor, creatures, provide, shelter, thrive, science, breathe

Plants are one of the major kingdoms of living things. Plants are important to us as they (a) Provide
(give what is needed) us with food, clothing (b) _____ (protection from something) medicine and even
the air we (c) _____ (draw in and out / expel). They also enhance the (d) _____
(surrounding in which some one or something lives) with their beauty and help other (e) _____ (living
beings). Thus it is very important we are informed about plants and how we can help them (f) _____
(grow). The study of plants is called Botany.

(1 x 5 = 5 Marks)

→ Test 11

Fill in the blanks with the words given in the box use one word in each blank.

dwell, rock, food, are, percent, found, long, stop, photosynthesis, their, of, where, some, sit

Oceans

From the seashore to the deepest depths. Oceans are home to some of the most diverse life on Earth. There (1) _____ big animals and little ones; (2) _____ and short ones; multicoloured and drab ones; and those that just (3) _____ while others that never (4) _____ swimming. There are even (5) _____ Organisms that float up. Plants are (6) _____ only in the sunlit Zone (7) _____ there is enough light for (8) _____ however, animals are found on the depths (9) _____ the Oceans though (10) _____ numbers are greater near the surface where (11) _____ is plentiful. Still over ninety (12) _____ of all species (13) _____ on the ocean bottom where a single (14) _____ can be home to over ten major group such as corals, mollusks and sponges.

(% x 14 = 7 Marks)

→ Test 12

In the following text the words underlined are incorrect. Re - write them correctly within the brackets given. One is done for you.

City dwellers enjoy many modern facilities. They have well equipped schools for their child (1) [children]. When they fall ill they has (2) [_____] both government and private hospitals who (3) [_____] they can have services of emincece (4) [_____] doctors. But these peoples' atmosphere is pollute (5) [_____] with dust, smoke and toxic gases from many factory (6) [_____]. So people often get diseases. They enjoy differences (7) [_____] modes of transport. On the other hand, the cities faces (8) [_____] noise pollution. As they are close to the government offices and trade centres, it is easy (9) [_____] to find jobs. In the cities, things are much expensive. In the cities some people live happy (10) [_____] but some aren't. All in all city life is good (11) [_____] than village life.

(% x 10 = 5 Marks)

→ Test 13

Read the passage about "The Honey Bee" and put a (✓) if the statement is right and put a (✗) if the statement is wrong.

The Honey Bee

The honey bee is a very unusual kind of insect. Unlike other insects which live alone, the honey bee lives as a member of a community. These bees live together in what is known as a "bee colony."

The head of the colony is called the queen bee. She is larger than the rest of the bees. Her main task in the colony is to lay eggs. Most of the other bees are the worker bees. These bees collect nectar and pollen from flowers. The nectar that is carried by the worker bees is deposited on the hive and then converted into honey. The worker bees also help look after the young bees. As soon as the eggs are hatched, the worker bees feed the young bees with pollen and nectar. The third type of bee found in the colony is the drone or male bee. The main task of such a bee is to mate with a new queen.

The queen bee has a life span of about three years. During this period, she would have laid more than half a million eggs. When the queen bee is dying, a new queen would be groomed. This new queen would eventually take over the 'duties' of the old queen when the latter dies.

- 1) The head of the colony is the drone.
- 2) The Queen bee doesn't lay eggs.
- 3) The worker bee looks after the young ones.
- 4) Nectar is collected by the drones.
- 5) Honey is converted into nectar.
- 6) The Queen bee lives for 3 years.
- 7) The bees do not live in a colony.
- 8) Majority of the bees are worker bees.
- 9) The drones are called as the mate bees.
- 10) The worker bees feed the young ones.

	Right	Wrong
1)		
2)		
3)		
4)		
5)		
6)		
7)		
8)		
9)		
10)		

(5 x 10 = 5 Marks)

→ Test 14

(A) Write a letter to one of your friends describing an accident that you saw very recently.
(Use about 100 words)

Include the following

- ⇒ When, Where and how it happened / took place
- ⇒ What took place after the accident
- ⇒ What you did?
- ⇒ What the others did

Text 13

Read the passage and answer the questions.

Liquid Nitrogen

Nitrogen is the most common substance in Earth's atmosphere. In the Earth's atmosphere, nitrogen is a gas. The particles of a gas move very quickly. They run around and bounce into everyone and everything. The hotter a gas is, the faster the particles move.

When a gas is cooled, its particles slow down. If a gas is cooled enough, it can change from a gas to a liquid. For nitrogen, this happens at a very low temperature. If you want to change nitrogen from a gas to a liquid, you have to bring its temperature to 77 kelvin. That's 321 degrees below zero fahrenheit.

Liquid nitrogen looks like water, but it acts very differently. It disappears as soon as it touches the floor because it rapidly boils and changes back to a gas at room temperature. A flower dipped in liquid nitrogen will shatter because all of the water in the flower freezes instantly. An inflated balloon placed in liquid nitrogen will appear to slowly deflate. The air isn't leaving the balloon, though, it's just taking up less space because it's getting cold and its particles are moving slower. Once the balloon is removed from the liquid nitrogen, it warms back up and returns to normal.

Although experimenting with liquid nitrogen is fun, we still need to be careful with it. We always need to protect our eyes by wearing goggles and our hands by wearing gloves. After all, we wouldn't want to freeze and shatter like a flower.

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

- a) Nitrogen is the least common substance in the atmosphere.
- b) The cooler a gas is, the faster the particles move.
- c) Liquid nitrogen disappears immediately when it touches the floor.
- d) Experiments with liquid nitrogen is fun.

(N x 4 = 2 Marks)

2) What happens when the balloon is removed from liquid nitrogen?

_____ [1 Mark]

3) Why does a flower dipped in liquid nitrogen shatter?

_____ [1 Marks]

4) Complete the blanks using words from the passage.

a) We have to be _____ while doing experiments with liquid nitrogen.

b) In this text "Liquid Nitrogen" is compared to _____ [1 Mark]

5) Underline the correct answer.

When the temperature is increased, the movement of the particles in a substance will be _____

- a) low
 - b) fast
 - c) slow
- [1 Mark]

6) Find a word from the passage which has the same meaning as the following.

- a) fast _____
- b) immediately _____

(1 Mark)

7) What do the following underlined word in following refer to?

- a) They _____
- b) its _____

(1 Mark)

Test 16

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

(a) An article to the newspaper on the following topic "Life in the years to come"
Use the following guide lines.

- > development in media technology.
- > Changes in transport
- > Use of computers in daily work
- > Life in space. etc

(b) Your school has invited a guest speaker as part of the activities for your school's Environmental Awareness week. Write the vote of thanks you would give as the Head Prefect.

Include the following :-

- > Thank the Speaker and the Principal
- > Say how useful the speech was.
- > Say something about the environmental activities in the school.

(c) An essay on "The job of my choice" you may include the following.

- > The job you want to do.
- > The reason for selecting it.
- > Training required.
- > How your service could be useful to the society.

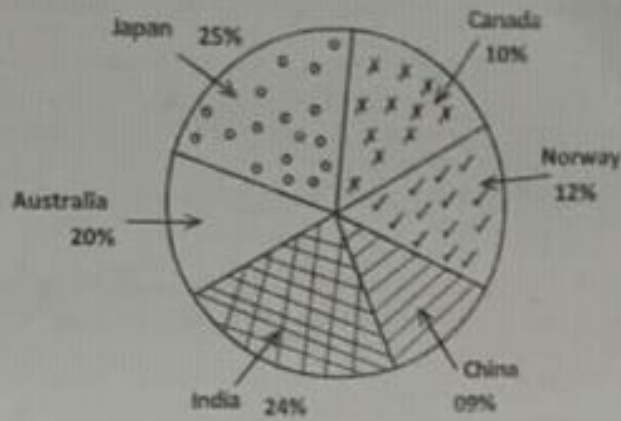
(d) Complete the dialogue between you and your class teacher about the field trip that you have planned / organized

- > How, When and Where you have planned to go.
- > Purpose of visit.
- > Things to be taken.
- > How you feel (feelings)

or

- (B) The following pie - chart shows the countries the students of your class like to visit. Study the chart and write description about it use about 100 words. The following words will help you.

[majority / minority / lowest percentage / equal amount / highest percentage]



[10 Marks]