ZONAL EDUCATION Office - JAFFNA
Second Term Examination 2017
Grade 08 English Language Time: 2.00 Hours

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Part I

Test I
Write the plural form of the following words. The first is done for you.

i. Box - boxes
ii. Man -
iii. Child -
iv. Bus -
v. Mango -
vi. Leaf -

[5x1 = 5Marks]

Test II
Complete the following chart. one is done for you.

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<th>Positive</th>
<th>Comparative</th>
<th>Superlative</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>i. Big</td>
<td>Bigger</td>
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<td>ii. Pretty</td>
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<td>iii. Interesting</td>
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<td>iv. Rich</td>
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<td>v. Short</td>
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<td>vi. Wide</td>
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[10x1 = 10Marks]

Test III
Use words given in antonym jar to complete the antonyms chart. first one is done for you.

Antonym Jar
Wide

unfortunate
fortunate
victory
late
cheap
common

- unfortunate
- early
- narrow
- defeat
- expensive
- uncommon

[5x1 = 5 Marks]
Test IV
Complete the following sentences with the words given in the box. First one is done for you.

must, should, shouldn't, mustn't, don't have to, have to

i. You ........must.......................... be silent in the library.
ii. You ................................ use the mobile phone when driving.
iii. You ................................ wash your hands before having meals.
iv. You ................................ walk to school. There is a bus now.
v. You ................................ be noisy in a hospital.
vi. It's late, I think we ...................... go now.

[5x2=10 Marks]

Test V
Fill in the blanks with correct prepositions. One is done for you.

along, across, about, by, over, through, with, without, at, up, on

i. This lesson is ...................... prepositions.
ii. Babu is running ...................... the main road.
iii. The baby wants to sit .............. his mother.
iv. The water flows down .............. the rocks.
v. I talked to my friend ................. the phone.
vi. The children like walking .......... the street in the evening.
vi. We can't live ......................... water.
vii. They go to school .................... car.
viii. My grandmother is keeping a vase .......... the table.
ix. The boy is climbing ................. the ladder.
xi. The teacher promised me to meet ........... 7 O'Clock.

[10x1=10 Marks]

Test VI
Choose the correct collective nouns and complete the sentences. First one is done for you.

(a pair of shoes, a herd of elephants, a team of workers, a group of children, a box of matches, a loaf of bread)

i. We saw .......... a herd of elephants .......... in the Zoo.
ii. My father bought me ........................
iii. We lead ................................ to the beach.
iv. ................................. is working under the bridge.
v. My mother asked me to buy ........................
vi. There is ........................ in the cupboard.

[5x2=10 Marks]
Task VII.
Imagine that you are Shalini and write a note to Arabhi.
Include:
- Can’t come to school
- Want to rest
- Hope to join the trip tomorrow.
- to inform the teacher.
- you will call her in the evening.

[10 Marks]

Test VIII
Join two sentences using “as”, “so” and “but” one is done for you.

A
1. Bobby couldn’t take the book from the shelf.
2. one of the boys hurt himself in the cricket match.
3. Vinotha went to her aunty’s home.
4. The policeman stopped the traffic
5. I saw my best friend on the road.
6. The match was post poned.

B
a) We could cross the road easily.
b) I could not talk to her.
c) It rained heavily the night before.
d) The gate was locked.
e) He was taken to the hospital.
f) It was too high.

Eg: Vinotha went to her aunty’s home but the gate was locked. [5×3=15 Marks]
Test IX
Read the following description and fill in the grid that follows.

Weaver – bird

Weaver bird is a small bird with brown or grey feathers. It has a conical beak. It makes a very elaborate nest using dry grass and mud. This nest, which hangs from a tree, has its entrance at the bottom of the nest. It lays 2 – 6 eggs at a time and incubates them for 9 – 20 days. Weaver bird feeds on grains, seeds, fruits, and insects. It lives in woodlands away from busy human settlements.

1. Name: -
2. Colour: -
3. Beak: -
4. Nest made of: -
5. No. of eggs laid at a time: -
6. Incubation period: -
7. Diet: -
8. Habitat: -
9. Size: -

[10 Marks]

Test X
Write an essay on one of the following topics using 150 words.

i. My favourite person

ii. A short speech on how you spent your last vacation, to deliver at the morning assembly.

[15 Marks]