SECOND TERM TEST - 2017
ENGLISH LANGUAGE - I

One Hour

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Answer all questions on this paper itself.

Part 1 Fill in the blanks in the following dialogue between a patient and a doctor. Use the words given in the box. Write the correct letter in the blank. The first one is done for you.

(a) temperature  (b) better  (c) wrong  (d) symptoms  (e) severe  (f) suffering

Patient : Good morning sir.
Doctor : Good morning, what's (1) ___________ with you?
Patient : I've been (2) ______________ from fever since yesterday.
Doctor : Any other (3) _______________
Patient : I have a (4) _______________ headache too.
Doctor : Let me take your body (5) _______________. Alright, have some rest and take the tablets on time. You'll feel (6) _______________ soon.
Patient : Thank you sir.

(1 x 5 = 05 marks)

Part 2 Fill in the blanks in the following dialogues. Use the words given in the box. The first one is done for you.

[after / for / in / about / before / until]

1. Saman : What do you have (i) ______________ the box.
   Kamal : There are some sweets.
2. Father : When is Minoli coming home?
   Mother : She won't be home (2) _______________ 5 o'clock.
   Father : Will she be home (3) _______________ dinner is ready?
   Mother : I hope so.
3. Hashen : Shall we have lunch (4) _______________ the class?
   Dulina : No, thank you. I have to catch the bus now.
4. Ravi : Did you watch the film last night?
   Vikum : Yes. It was (5) _______________ a family affected by tsunami.
5. Son : Mother, your bag is very heavy, let me carry it (6) _______________ you.
   Mother : Thank you son.

(1 x 5 = 05 marks)
Sam and his family members are in the (1) ________________. Sam is (2) ________________, the flowers and his elder brother is cleaning the (3) ________________. His two younger (4) ________________ are playing with (5) ________________. Sam's father is reading a (6) ________________ while his mother is (7) ________________ to the radio. The old man who is sitting in the corner of the (8) ________________ is wearing a black shirt. The old (9) ________________ is having a cup of tea. The cat is (10) ________________ up the tree to catch the birds. (½ x 10 = 05 marks)

Test-4

Read the following paragraph and say whether the statements given below are True or False by writing 'T' or 'F' against each of them. The first one is done for you.

Thomas Alva Edison was born on February eleventh, 1847 in the small town of Milan, Ohio. He was the youngest of seven children. Thomas Edison was self-taught. He went to school for only three months. His teacher thought he could not learn because he seemed slow in everything. But young Thomas Edison learned from books and experimented.

At the age of ten, he built his own chemical laboratory. He experimented with chemicals and electricity. Thomas Edison is well-known for his invention of the light bulb. He never slept for more than four or five hours a night. He usually worked eighteen hours a day. Thomas Edison died on January sixth, 1931.

1. Thomas Edison was the only child in his family.  
   Answer: F

2. He went to school for only three years.  
   Answer: 

3. Thomas Edison was not interested in doing experiments.  
   Answer: 

4. Edison built a chemical laboratory at the age of ten.  
   Answer: 

5. He invented the first light bulb.  
   Answer: 

6. He usually worked eight hours a day.  
   Answer: 
Dolphins are regarded as the friendliest creatures in the sea and stories of them helping drowning sailors have been common since Roman times. Dolphins are well known for their agility and playful behaviour, making them a favourite of wildlife watchers.

The more we learn about dolphins, the more we realize that their behaviour among the groups is more complex than people had previously imagined. They look after other dolphins when they are ill, care for pregnant mothers and protect the weakest in the community, as we . . . Some scientists have suggested that dolphins have a language but it is much more probable that they communicate with each other without words. Even though dolphins have 100 teeth, they don’t use them for eating.

Although dolphins are widespread, most species prefer the warmer places of the tropical zones, but some, like the right whale dolphin, prefer colder climates.

(1) Who are regarded as the friendliest creatures in the sea?

(2) Write two types of behaviour that can be seen among the groups of dolphins?

(3) What have some scientists suggested about dolphins?

(4) Write the sentence which says about how dolphins eat.

(5) Underline the correct answer.

Most of the dolphins would like to live in ..................................... places.
(a) cooler (b) darker (c) warmer

Test - 8
Write a paragraph on one of the following topics. Use about 50 words.
1. A beautiful place in my country. 2. Trees are our friends
Test - 9  Fill in the blanks with the correct form of the verb given within brackets.

Sarah is a student. She has always (1) .................................................. (like) travelling and now she
(2) .................................................. (think) that one of her dreams (3) .................................................. (come) true. Last year
she (4) .................................................. (finish) her studies at secondary school. She (5) ..................................................
(want) to give herself some time to think before she (6) .................................................. (go) to university.

While she (7) .................................................. (study) at school she (8) .................................................. (meet)
a girl from Japan who (9) .................................................. (tell) her a lot about her country. From that moment
onward, she (10) .................................................. (want) to visit Japan.

(⅓ 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 two extra words.

attract    complicated    benefitted    electronic
produce    danger        revolution

The electronic technology has brought about a (1) .................................................. (a great change of something)
in entertainment. For example there are extremely (2) .................................................. (to make something
more difficult to do) electronic circuits in the electronic television games. These games
(3) .................................................. (to create something) very attractive pictures and exciting sounds. That is
why they (4) .................................................. (make an interest towards something) many teenagers. Mothers
and housewives have also (5) .................................................. (an advantage given by something) from the
electronic revolution.

(1 x 5 = 5 marks)
Test - 11  Fill in the blanks with the words given below.

unfortunately / beautiful / angry / happy / golden / immediately / carefully
/incident / sadly / deep / suddenly / opened / green / upset

Once upon a time, there was a (1) ______ princess who had a golden ball. Every day she played with her ball in the garden. At the end of the garden there was a (2) ____________ dark lake. The princess liked playing near the lake. (3) ____________ one day she dropped her (4) ____________ ball into the water. She was very (5) ____________, and she sat on the grass (6) ____________ and started to cry. (7) ____________, she heard a voice. “Don’t cry, princess”. She (8) ____________, her eyes quickly and saw a large (9) ____________ frog. “Oh please help me!” she said, “I’ll help you”, said the frog, “if I can come and live with you in the palace!” “Yes, of course, I promise”, said the princess. So the frog jumped into the water and came back with the ball. The princess was very (10) ____________, and she took the ball. She ran back to the palace and forgot all about the frog. The frog was very (11) ____________. He followed the princess into the palace and told about the (12) ____________ to the king. “A promise is a promise,” said the frog. “Yes”, said the king and called his daughter (13) ____________: “A promise is a promise, my daughter. Take this frog to your room and look after him (14) ____________.”. The princess cried again, but she took the frog and put him on her bed. 

(½ x 10 = 05 marks)

Test - 12  Complete the following passage using the passive form of the given verb in the correct tense. The first one is done for you.

The Titanic was built in 1912. It (1) ____________ was designed _______ (design) in such a way that it was supposed to be unsinkable. As a result it (2) ____________ (not give) enough life boats for the passengers and the crew. The hull (3) ____________ (damage) by a collision with a huge iceberg and it sank very fast. A total of 1513 people (4) ____________ (drown) that day. After this tragedy, new international safety laws (5) ____________ (pass). In 1985 the wreck (6) ____________ (locate) on the sea bed and the ship was explored. Several films have been made about the incident since then.

(1 x 5 = 05 marks)
Student Volunteers Needed!

On Saturday, August 12th, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Mahawewa Central School will hold a music festival in the school auditorium. A number of professional musicians and singers will take part in the festival.

The tasks assigned to the volunteers

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<td>Help performers</td>
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<td>Clean up auditorium</td>
<td>4 p.m. - 7 p.m.</td>
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Interested students should speak to Ms. Silva, the music teacher. Students who would like to come and help at the festival must have written permission from parents or guardians.

1. What time will the festival begin?

2. Who will participate in the festival?

3. What will be done the day before the festival?

4. Who are asked to speak to Ms. Silva?

5. What must the volunteers bring when they come to the festival?

(1 x 5 = 05 marks)
Test - 14
Answer one of the following questions
A. To celebrate the children's day, the grade 11 students of your school visited a children's home in your area. Write a letter to a friend in another school telling what you did there. Use about 100 words.
   Include the following:
   * who went with you
   * what you took for children
   * what you did with them
   * how you made them happy
OR
B. The following bar graph shows what the students of your class like to read. The information is given in percentages. Study the bar graph and write a description about it. Use the following words. Use about 100 words.

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highest percentage, lowest percentage, higher than, lower than, equal amount
(1) Say whether the following statements are true or false by writing 'T' or 'F' against each one of them.
   (i) Soccer is a kicking game  
   (ii) Football is another name given for soccer
   (iii) Soccer players use their hands and head to hit the ball
   (iv) Next FIFA world cup competition will be held in the year 2018

(2) What qualities made "Pele" to become world famous?

(3) What were the two teams that "Pele" played during his lifetime?

(4) Complete the blanks using the words from the passage.
   In the year 1863 the ____________ soccer games began.
   The players in soccer teams try to kick the ball or head the ball into their ____________ goal.

(5) Underline the correct answer.
   The duration of final tournament is
   (i) 2 weeks   (ii) 4 weeks   (iii) 4 years

(6) Find a word from the passage which has the same meaning as the following.
   (a) a series of games
   (b) amazing

(7) What do the following words in the passage refer to?
   (a) 'be' in line 07
   (b) 'it' in line 20

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Test 16
Write on one of the following. Use about 200 words.
(a) A speech to be made at your school assembly on "Importance of keeping our Environment clean"
   Include the following
   - What environment is
   - How the environment is polluted
   - Why it is necessary to keep the environment clean
   - What we can do to keep the environment clean

OR
(b) An essay on "The reading habit should be developed in school children". Include the following.
   - The importance of reading and how it helps children
   - Reasons for lack of interest in reading
   - Ways in which the reading habit could be developed in children
(c) Write a folk tale which you have heard or read. It should carry a moral.

OR

(d) Complete the dialogue between Tharindu and Gayan. They discuss their ideas on good and bad effects of mobile phones.

Tharindu: Good morning friend, what is in your hand?

Gayan: Good morning, Tharindu. This is my new mobile phone my father gave yesterday.

(15 marks)