

Southern Provincial Department of Education

First Term Test - 2020

English Language - I Grade 10

Name / Index No.

Time - 1 hour

♦ Answer all questions.

Test - 01

Match the following words with the descriptions. Write the correct letter in the bracket. *The first one is done for you.*

a	florist
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b	pianist
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c	chemist
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d	receptionist
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e	dentist
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f	scientist
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1. A person who works in a shop which sells flowers and plants. (a)
2. A person whose job is treating people's teeth. ()
3. An expert who studies or works in one of the sciences. ()
4. A person who welcomes and helps visitors and answers the telephone ()
5. A person who plays the piano ()
6. A person whose job is to prepare and sell medicines. () (1 x 5 = 5 marks)

Test - 02

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

with	about	at	in	before	to
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Dear Venura,

I was very sad to hear that your brother had met (1).....**with**..... an accident. I came to know that your brother was admitted (2)..... the hospital but I couldn't visit him as I was (3)..... Colombo, following an English course (4)..... the British Council. I met Janaka and he told me (5)..... the accident. I'll come to see your brother (6)..... my final assessment.

Sanuka

(1 x 5 = 5 marks)

Test - 03

Study the picture and fill in the blanks in the following description. Use only one word in each blank.



- living room
- television
- reading
- father
- watching
- spectacles
- telephone
- radio
- chairs
- window
- picture

This is a picture of a (1) **living room**. The two persons in the picture seem to be (2) and son. Father is (3) a newspaper. He is wearing a pair of (4) Son is (5) a programme on (6) Both of them are seated in (7) There is a (8) kept on the cupboard, and the (9) is on a stool. We can see a (10) hanging on the wall. Next to it, there is a (11) with curtains.

(1/2 x 10 = 5 marks)

Test - 04

You are the Managing Director of Max company. Your secretary handed these messages to you. Read them and answer the following questions by writing 'YES' or 'NO' in the box provided. *The first one is done for you.*

10.20 am
Mr. Pramod Perera called
please call him back

9.30 am
Your wife called
please call her back

10.15 am
Sri Lankan Airlines called
please call back

10.30 am
Mr. Saman Pieris called
your car is ready and he is
sending it over

10.30 am
Mr. Bernard will come to the
office to meet you at 5.00 pm

1. Will Mr. Antony come to the office to meet you? No
2. Was the first telephone call you received for the day from Pramod Perera?
3. Do you have to make a call to your wife?
4. Will you have to make any telephone calls in reply to any of these messages?
5. Can you leave the office at 4.45 pm today?
6. Do you have to go and collect your car?

(1x5 = 05marks)

Test - 05

Complete the following dialogue. Use the phrases given in the box. Write the correct letter in the space provided. *The first one is done for you.*

- Salesman - (1).....**(f)**.....
Janith - Yes, please. I'm looking for a travelling bag.
Salesman - (2).....
Janith - Let me see...
Salesman - (3).....
Janith - Nice... what are the other colours?
Salesman - (4).....
Janith - Well... how much is the black bag?
Salesman - (5).....
Janith - Fine. I'll buy it.
Salesman - (6).....
Janith - Thank you.

- (a) It's nine hundred rupees.
- (b) Here you are.
- (c) We've got red, blue and black bags.
- (d) Ah... yes... we've got many
- (e) What about this brown bag?
- ~~(f) Can I help you.?~~

(1 x 5 = 5 marks)

Test - 06

Write a note to one of your friends inviting him/her for your birthday. Use about 40-50 words.

Include–

- ♦ ask your friend to help you in organizing the party
- ♦ inform the place, date and time
- ♦ invite him/her to come with family members.

(5 marks)

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Test - 07

Read the following text and answer the questions.

Ridiyagama safari park is situated in Hambantota district, Sri Lanka. The park was opened to the public on the 28th March 2016, with the guidance of the National Zoological Department. It is divided into six zones where carnivores are in four zones, and herbivores are in two zones. Meanwhile, dangerous animals such as lions, tigers and leopards are in two zones of the carnivorous section. The safari park was constructed to promote tourism in Sri Lanka.

- 1) When was the park opened to the public?
- 2) How many zones are there in the park?
- 3) Name two dangerous animals mentioned in the text?
- 4) Why was Ridiyagama safari park constructed?

Underline the correct answer

- 5) The word 'herbivore' means
 - a) an animal that eats only meat
 - b) an animal that eats only plants
 - c) an animal that eats both plants and meat

(1 x 5 = 5 marks)

Test - 08

Write a paragraph on one of the following topics. Use about 50-60 words.

- (a) My favourite festival
- (b) Planting trees in the school garden

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(1 x 5 = 5 marks)

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Test - 09

Complete the dialogue by selecting a word from the box. There is one extra word.

credit-cards / order / vegetarians / menu / sea-food / delicious

Sarath : Can I have the 1) _____ of your cafeteria?

Waiter : Here it is. Please place your 2) _____ to that counter.

Sarath : Thanks. We all are 3) _____, What dish would be 4) _____.

Waiter : Mmmm.....What about boiled-vegetables?

Sarath : Yes, please. Anyway, do you accept 5) _____ . (1x5=5 marks)

Test - 10

Underline the most suitable word from the brackets. *One is done for you.*

We all i) _____ (want, wanted, wants) to go boating. So we ii) _____ (hired, hiring, hire) a boat from my uncle's friend. Leisurely, we reached a small island after iii) _____ (enjoy, enjoying, enjoyed) the boat-ride. The island iv) _____ (were, is, was) full of well-grown coconut trees. The surrounding was really v) _____ (terrifying, terrified, terrify) but animals lived there vi) _____ (happily, happy, happier). (1x5=5 marks)

Test 11

Fill in the blanks with the words given within the box. There is one extra word.

through , shady , food , made , injustice , is , incident , terrible , starved , only ,
poor , his , story , who , wealthy

Charles Dickens was not i) _____ a great story-teller, but also he ii) _____ the people aware of the social evils of iii) _____ period. One of his best-loved iv) _____, Oliver Twist tells the v) _____ and cruelty suffered by vi) _____ people. He takes his readers into the vii) _____ underworld of Victorian London viii) _____ the novel. The poor children ix) _____ brought up in orphanages were ill-treated and x) _____. Also many children were neglected in the xi) _____ condition of orphanage. The most moving xii) _____ of the series xiii) _____ young Oliver asks for more xiv) _____ on behalf of his friend who was treated badly. (1/2x14=7marks)

Test 12

Complete the following passage using the most appropriate form of the verb given within brackets. *The first one is done for you.*

There was an old lady called Hamina. She i) lived (live) in a hut near the forest, because she ii) _____ (is) a firewood seller. This poor lady iii) _____ (has) only one cloth to wear. There was no other people living near her. They all iii) _____ (live) in the city. Every day, Hamina v) _____ (go) into the forest, picked up the dry sticks, tied into bundles, placed them on her head and walked to the city. People in the city vi) _____ (are) interested in her firewood as well as gossips.

(1x5=5marks)

Test 13

Read the following poem and answer the questions given below.

Rockets

Rockets flying out in space,
Rockets flying everyplace,
Rockets from Earth
To Venus & Mars,
To silver moons & shining stars,
Rockets to galaxies faraway,
I think I'll build a rocket someday,
On Pluto, Neptune, Saturn or Mars,
On a silver moon
Or a shining star.

Robert Heidsieck

1. How many planets are mentioned in this poem?
2. Which word is used to describe the stars?
3. Who is the poet?
4. What the poet is expecting to do in future?
5. Find similar meanings from the poem.
 - a) World - _____
 - b) Glittering - _____

(1x5=5 marks)

Test 14

Write on one of the following. Use about 100 words.

(a) Write a letter to one of your friends in another school describing how you celebrated “Independence Day-2020” in your school.

Include the following:

- ◆ How you organized it in the school
- ◆ Activities done
- ◆ Speeches made
- ◆ How you felt and what was your role on that day

b) The following table shows the results of grade 10-A class survey conducted among 40 students about their favourite fruits. Study the table and write a description about it. The following words will help you.

more than , less than , equal , majority , minority

Favourite fruit	Number of students
Papaw	8
Banana	9
Mango	11
Guava	4
Wood apple	8

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(10 marks)

Test 15

Read the text and complete the tasks given below.

Dr.Lakdasa Dissanayake

Lakdasa was born on 19th February 1946. His father was an IGP, in the Sri Lankan police. From his school days he was keen at his studies. He was a brilliant student and was a school prefect. Also he was a star in the field of ruggger.

At the medical college he passed all his exams with distinctions and won a Commonwealth scholarship to Edinburgh. After returning to Sri Lanka, he was awarded two scholarships to Japan and to London. A year before his death the last scholarship was awarded to Yale University to qualify in Plastic Surgery.

With the interest towards the different services, in 1971 he joined the Navy as a volunteer sub-lieutenant. He was perhaps the only non-Army man to have become an Honorary Commando. He was qualified in parachute jumping and won his wings after a training in England. He was a volunteer surgeon, who served at Vadamarachchi, Palaly and in other harsh battlefields of his motherland.

State whether the following statements are **True** or **False** by putting a tick (✓) in the relevant column.

(A)

	True	False
(i) His first scholarship was to Japan		
(ii) Lakdasa wasn't a clever student		
(iii) He worked for Navy without a salary		
(iv) He was qualified in Plastic Surgery		

(1x4=4marks)

(B) i) Write two cities/villages where he worked as a volunteer surgeon?

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ii) When was Lakdasa born?

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(1x2=2marks)

(C) Write a word from the passage closest in meaning to each word/phrase given below.

i) Excellent =

ii) A granted studentship =

(1x2=2marks)

Test 16

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

- a) An article to your class magazine on the topic “Leisure time activities”.

Include:

- ◆ What does it mean by leisure time activities
- ◆ Some examples
- ◆ Why are they important

- b) An essay on “Public transport in Sri Lanka”

Include:

- ◆ What public transport means
- ◆ Types of public transports available in Sri Lanka
- ◆ Advantages

- c) You have been asked to deliver a speech on “Good habits” at the morning assembly of your school.

Include:

- ◆ How do we inculcate them
- ◆ Why we should practise them
- ◆ Results of good habits

- d) Geethani returned to Sri Lanka after her long term stay in Australia and meets her school mate Sachini. Complete their dialogue.

Sachini: What a surprise. You are back.

Geethani: Glad to see you dear. You have changed a lot. Are they your kids?

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