

## Answer all questions

1. Match the phrases with the challenging activities shown in the pictures. Write the correct letter of the picture in the blank provided.

2. Water rafting (............)
3. Skydiving (..............)
b)

c)

4. Sea diving (..............)
5. Hiking (...............)
6. Parachuting (.............)
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7. In the following letter, fill in the blanks with the correct prepositions given in the box. The first one is done for you.

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\text { By - with - on }- \text { for }- \text { in }- \text { to }- \text { with }- \text { for }- \text { to }- \text { from }
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Dear Sasanka,
Thank you (1) ...for...... your letter. I was happy to hear that you celebrated your New Year festival (2) $\qquad$ your family members. Father has arranged a visit (3) $\qquad$ the Zoo (4) $\qquad$ Dehiwala. We will go there (5) $\qquad$ our car (6) $\qquad$ the next Full moon poya day. Do you like to join us? I am looking forward (7) $\qquad$ a reply (8) $\qquad$ you. Thank you (9) $\qquad$ The sweets you had sent me. I enjoyed them (10) $\qquad$ my family members.

Amalka.
03. Study the picture and complete the text. Use the words given in the box.


| Full | Very |
| :--- | :--- |
| Mop | Member |
| Kitchen | Toaster |
| Apron | Litter |
| Cup | Picture |

This is a (1) $\qquad$ of a kitchen area. It is (2) $\qquad$ untidy. One (3) $\qquad$ is arranging
it. The dustbin is (4).................. .And there are some (5) $\qquad$ on the floor. There is a fallen (6). $\qquad$ of milk on the floor near the (7). $\qquad$ The chef is wearing a (8) $\qquad$ and a hat. We can see a kettle next to the (9) $\qquad$ . It seems that they haven't cleaned the (10). $\qquad$ for days.
04. Match the paper cuttings with the headings. Write the correct letter in the blank provided.

The Sri Lankan Aviation College (SLAC) will team up with globally renowned universities to bring world class training programs to the door step of Sri Lankan students and help them make a lucrative career in the rapidly expanding global aviation industry.

In keeping with the modern day customer needs, Ebony Holdings (Pvt) Ltd Launched its new and advance website in Colombo recently. We have given careful thought to customer needs and planned the website to have easy accessibility and save time to give customers a new era of shopping experience.

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Germany's telecoms regulator has banned the sale of "smart watches" that
can be used by parents to check on their children, saying the devices violated Germany's strict surveillance laws.

The Federal Network Agency said it had already taken action against several firms that sell the watches online but did not name them.

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Dhamma - preaching will continue till Jan. 31st. And the "Thispaya Hathe Pirith" chanting will commence on February 1st and conclude on February 4th, with an alms giving followed by a Devaduta Perahera in the evening. A blood donation campaign will also be held on January $28^{\text {h }}$.
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(a) Sports
(b) Foreign News
(c) Education
(d) Business
(e) Local News
05. Study the given answers and fill in the blanks with correct question words. The first one is done for you.

What - where - when - why - how - who - how long - whose - how often - Whom - since when
a) .....Why..... didn't you come to school yesterday? Because I was sick.
b) .............. do you usually visit your grandparents? Once a month.
c) .............. gave you this present? My grandfather.
d) ............... did you take for your breakfast? Noodles.
e) ............... has it been raining? Since morning.
f) .............. have they been making noise? For about half an hour.
g) .............. do you want to go in this week end? To see our uncle.
h) .............. did you go there? By our car.
i)
).............. pen did you borrow? Achini's
j) .............. did you meet yesterday? My friend, Asela
k) $\qquad$ do you want to go there? Next Friday.
06. You have found a wrist watch. Write a notice to be displayed on the school notice board. Give a description of the wrist watch, where the owner can collect it.
07. Read the following sentences and underline the correct word given within brackets. One is done for you.
a) They are $\qquad$ (walking, working) along the foot path.
b) Farmers $\qquad$ .( accept, expect) more rain by the end of this month.
c) The children are playing in the basketball $\qquad$ ( coat, court)
d) We usually do not eat $\qquad$ ( meat, meet)
e) They $\qquad$ (brought, bought) the picture to the classroom.
f) They like to drink $\qquad$ ( vine, wine)

## 08. Read the following letter. In each line, one word is incorrect and it is in bold type. Write the correct word in the space provided. The first one is done for you.

| Dear Hansi, |  |
| :---: | :---: |
| I am sorry I could not met you on the trip. | ........meet....... |
| So, why don't you come? |  |
| I am waiting for you. |  |
| By the way, most of our friends have come. | ................... |
| They are enjoying the trip very much. |  |
| They sing songs and some of them even danced. |  |
| But, I don't join them. I kept silent. |  |
| We went to visited many interesting places. |  |
| By the way, you know, we go to the Hikkaduwa beach. | .................. |
| But, we will not go to see the coral reefs. |  |
| Teachers tell us that a journey by boat would be risky. |  |

9. Fill in the blanks with the words given below.
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cooped - existence - inhabitants - majority - exciting - squalid - spaces - major - advantage -
community - frightening - convince - realistic - isolated - possibility - disadvantages - aggressive -
differ - massive - impersonal
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I am one of the city people who are always saying that we would prefer to live in the country away from the dirt and the noise of a large city. I have managed to 1). $\qquad$ myself that if it were not for my job, I would immediately head out for the open 2). $\qquad$ and go back to an isolated village buried in the country. But how 3). $\qquad$ is this dream?
Cities can be 4) places. The 5) $\qquad$ of the population live in 6) tower blocks, noisy, 7) $\qquad$ and 8) $\qquad$ The sense of belonging to 9). $\qquad$ tends to disappear when you live fifteen floors up. All you can see from your window is sky or other blocks of flats. Children become 10). $\qquad$ and nervous - 11). $\qquad$ up at home all day, with nowhere to play, their mothers feel 12). $\qquad$ from the rest of the world. Strangely enough, whereas in the past, the 13) $\qquad$ . of one street all know each other nowadays, people on the same floor in tower blocks don't even say 'Hello' to each other.

Country life, on the other hand, 14). $\qquad$ from this kind of isolated 15) $\qquad$ in that a sense of community generally binds the 16). $\qquad$ Of small villages together. People have the 17). $\qquad$ of knowing that there is always someone to turn to, when they need help.
But, country life has 18). $\qquad$ too. You are cut off from the 19) and important events that take place in the city. There is little 20) $\qquad$ of going to a new show or the latest movie.
10. $\mathbf{5 0}$ girls and 50 boys in three parallel classes (grade8) were asked about the extra- curricular activities they are engaged in and the results were represented in this bar chart. Study the graph and write a description about it. Use about 100 words.

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11. Read the following poem and answer the questions given below.

## Bells for John Whiteside's Daughter

There was such speed in her little body,
And such lightness in her footfall
It is no wonder her brown study
Astonishes us all.

Her wars were bruited in our high window We looked among orchard trees and beyond, Where she took arms against her shadow, Or harried into the pond.

The lazy geese like a snow cloud, Dripping their snow on the green grass Tricking and stopping, sleepy and proud, Who cried in goose, 'Alas!'

For the tireless heart within the little Lady with rod that made them rise From their noon-apple dreams, and scuttle Goose fashion under the skies.

But now go the bells, and we are ready In one house we are sternly stopped To say we are vexed at her brown study Lying so primly Propped.
a) What does the poet talk about?
b) How many stanzas are there in this poem?
c) Write the name of the poet?
d) Place the underlined words in the poem in the correct column.

| Nouns | Adjectives | Verbs | Adverbs |
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12. Write a speech you would deliver at the farewell of your class teacher as she is leaving your school. Use about 200 words.

Include the following:

- Say how sad you are.
- What a kind and helpful teacher she/he had been
- How she/he encouraged and guided the students in their studies.
- The friendly nature of her/him
- Good influence she/he had upon all the students.
- Wish her/him all the best.

