



PROVINCIAL DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION NORTH WESTERN PROVINCE

**SECOND TERM TEST - 2018**

Grade 10

**ENGLISH LANGUAGE - I**

One Hour

Name / Index No. :

**Answer all questions on this paper itself.**

**Test - 1** Fill in the blanks in the following short exchanges. Use the prepositions given in the box. One has been done for you.

against / ~~about~~ / within / during / at / on

1. A. Did you listen to the Morning Mirror programme today?  
B. No. I couldn't. What is it (1) ..... *about* ..... ?  
A. It is an educational programme aiming (2) ..... O/L students.
2. A. The dengue spreads (3) ..... the rainy season.  
B. How can we prevent it?  
A. Let's clean our gutters. Please bring the ladder and lean it (4)..... the front wall.
3. A. How did you do your group project (5) ..... folk tales?  
B. The teacher gave us the topics and asked to prepare a booklet (6)..... two weeks.

Marks

1 x 5

Total  
05

**Test - 2** Fill in the blanks with the words given. One has been done for you.

lawyer / president / mechanic / cobbler / fishmonger / ~~secretary~~

1. The duty of the ..... *secretary* ..... is to keep records of a meeting.
2. The ..... mends our shoes.
3. The ..... appears for people at courts.
4. The ..... presides over the meeting.
5. The ..... repairs machines.
6. The ..... sells fish at the market.

Marks

1 x 5

Total  
05

**Test - 3** Study the picture and fill in the blanks.



This picture shows a family at work. They are in their (1)..... The sun is (2)..... brightly. Father is sharpening a (3)..... He is (4)..... a hat. Mother is packing some vegetables into a (5)..... She is covering her (6)..... with a scarf. The son is carrying two (7)..... of water while the daughter is cleaning the (8)..... Their house is not very (9)..... There are many tall (10)..... in the garden. A hut can be seen under a huge tree.

**Marks**  
 $\frac{1}{2} \times 10$   
**Total**       
**05**

**Test - 4** Match the DEFINITIONS with the WORDS. Write the number of the definition in the box. *One is done for you.*

A	B	C
OBITUARIES	WEATHER FORECAST	SPORTS DIARY
D	E	F
EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES	ENTERTAINMENT	EDUCATION
1	2	3
Under 19 division one cricket - Lumbini wins first innings by one run at Uyanwatte <div style="text-align: right; border: 1px solid black; width: 20px; height: 20px; float: right; margin-top: 5px;">C</div>	SL Education Inspection Service effective Dec. - 1 in 42 national Schools - MOE <div style="text-align: right; border: 1px solid black; width: 20px; height: 20px; float: right; margin-top: 5px;"></div>	POST OF ACCOUNTANT fully or partly qualifies in CASL with minimum 5 years experience send your CV, acc.trenco.@mail.com <div style="text-align: right; border: 1px solid black; width: 20px; height: 20px; float: right; margin-top: 5px;"></div>
4	5	6
Namal Fernando (01.01.1968 - 25.6-2018) Beloved husband of Shirmila, loving father of Priya and Sriya, Grand father of Rumesh passed away on 25 <sup>th</sup> June 2018. Cremation at General Cemetery, Borella on 27th June 2018 at 4.00 p.m., Rosmead Place, Colombo - 7. <div style="text-align: right; border: 1px solid black; width: 20px; height: 20px; float: right; margin-top: 5px;"></div>	HEAVY SHOWERS The Met - Dept. forecasts that there will be thunder showers along the coastal areas of the country today. Occasional thunder showers along with heavy winds will be experienced in the northern part of the country. <div style="text-align: right; border: 1px solid black; width: 20px; height: 20px; float: right; margin-top: 5px;"></div>	"NARI BENA" Stage drama Dayananda Gunawardane's "Nari Bena" will be staged at Tower Hall on 1st August 2018. Shows will be at 2.30 p.m. and 6.30 p.m. Tickets : at the Gate All are welcome. <div style="text-align: right; border: 1px solid black; width: 20px; height: 20px; float: right; margin-top: 5px;"></div>
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**Test - 7** Read the following passage and answer the questions.

Thomas Hardy was apprenticed to an architect in London at the age of 16 and he worked under him for 5 years. His office was next to the school kept by William Barnes who encouraged Hardy's love for Literature. At 30, he published his first novel. It was followed by 15 others in 25 years.

Hardy turned to poetry after 1886 when his controversial novel "*Jude the Obscure*" was accorded a hostile reception for its frank consideration of sexual themes. His first book of Poetry came out when he was 58. Seven others followed concluding with "Winter Words" which came out posthumously in the year of his death at the age of 87 in 1928. Hardy ranks as one of the greatest 20th Century poets on the basis of these books. Hardy was a fatalist - He believed that fate determines events.

(1) How many years did Thomas Hardy work under an architect ?

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(2) Where was his office ?

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(3) When did Thomas Hardy publish his first novel?

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(4) When did Hardy publish his first book of poetry?

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(5) The word posthumously relates to,

- (a) happening at the same time.
- (b) happening after the death.
- (c) happening before the death.

**Marks**

**1 x 5**

**Total** \_\_\_\_\_

**05**

**Test - 8** You want to get the membership of the public library of your town. Write a letter to the librarian asking for an application and more details. Use about 40 - 50 words.

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**Marks**

**C - 2**

**L - 3**

**Total** \_\_\_\_\_

**05**



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Grade 10

**ENGLISH LANGUAGE - II**

Two Hours

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**Answer all questions on this paper itself.**

**Test - 9** Complete the sentences using the given words. There is an extra word.

1. behave / behaviour / behavioural
  - a. You should (1)..... well in school.
  - b. The (2)..... of the students was excellent.
2. manager / management / manage
  - a. The (3)..... of the office work should be developed.
  - b. I spoke to the (4)..... for clarification.
3. advertise / advertisement / advertiser
  - a. A creative (5)..... compels us to buy the product.
  - b. Producers have to (6)..... their products in the media.
4. Society / Social / Socialization
  - a. (7)..... is important for our character building.
  - b. The government took quick action to ban the (8)..... media to control the situation.
5. Care / Careful / Carelessness
  - a. You should be (9)..... when you speak before the director.
  - b. He failed the examination because of his (10).....

Marks

½ x 10

Total

05

**Test - 10** In each of the following sentences, there is a mistake. It is underlined. Correct it and write it in the space provided. *The first one has been done for you.*

1. No body come to school by train. (.....) (*comes*)
2. Nimal is the tall boy in our class. (.....)
3. While I am going to school, I met my uncle. (.....)
4. I had to work much years before I came to this position. (.....)
5. Is there some water in the bottle? (.....)
6. This project is design for grade ten students. (.....)

Marks

1 x 5

Total

05

**Test - 11** Fill in the blanks with the words given in the box. There are two extra words.

was	is	apples	a	best	
all	them	without	fruit	the	employed
rich	at	eaten	man	watchmen	

There was a rich man who possessed a large fruit garden which was at a great distance from his home. He was unable to look after it himself. So, he had to employ (1)..... for the purpose. But the (2)..... man always found that the (3)..... fruit was gone; the finest (4)..... were missing. He knew it (5)..... the watchmen themselves who had (6)..... the fruit. However, everyone he (7)..... was not to be trusted. (8)..... were dishonest. Finally, he chose (9)..... blind man and a man (10)..... legs as watchmen. The rich (11)..... was very happy that neither (12)..... in a position to get (13)..... best apples. One cannot see (14)..... And the other cannot reach them. Both are helpless. But all the apples were vanished again. The man without legs had sat on the shoulders of the blind man and had guided him to the best fruit.

<b>Marks</b>
½ x 14
<b>Total</b>
07

**Test - 12** Some grade 10 students are talking about their new English Text Book. Following are comments made by them.

1. "I am happy that the book is not so big" (Nimal)
2. "We can understand the activities easily" (Suvimali)
3. "It has a lot of activities arranged from simple to complex" (Nalin)
4. "I like to read the folk tales in it" (Saroji)
5. "The lessons have been designed in an interesting way" (Raj)
6. "I did the first unit by myself during the vacation" (Naveen)

Now report what each student said about their new English Text book. One has been done.

1. *Nimal said that he was happy that the book was not so big.*.....  
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2. ....  
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6. ....  
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<b>Marks</b>
1 x 5
<b>Total</b>
05

**Test - 13** Read the following conversation Piyal had at a job interview. Complete the extract from a letter Piyal wrote to his friend about the interview.

- Piyal : Good morning Sir !  
Interviewer : Good morning. Take a seat please.  
Piyal : Thank you.  
Interviewer : Have you brought the calling letter?  
Piyal : Yes. Here you are.  
Interviewer : You are Mr. Piyal Perera from Maho. Is this your first experience at an Interview?  
Piyal : Yes Sir.  
Interviewer : Have you brought your certificates?  
Piyal : Yes Sir, here they are.  
Interviewer : OK why do you like to join in the field of banking?  
Piyal : I'm fond of working in a bank and it was also my childhood dream.  
Interviewer : Well. You have sufficient qualifications. Where do you like to work.  
Piyal : I prefer Kurunegala district  
Interviewer : OK I'll let you know, soon if you will be selected. Thanks for your presence.

Dear Nimal,

I faced a job interview last week at a private bank. It was my first (1)...*experience*... at an interview. After formal compliments, they asked me to (2)..... down. I carefully sat down. Next they asked for my (3)..... letter. I produced it. After checking it, they asked for my (4)..... They read my certificates one by one and said that I had enough (5)..... for the post. Finally they asked me (6)..... I loved the banking field. I said that it was my childhood dream.

**Marks**

**1 x 5**

**Total** \_\_\_\_\_

**05**

**Test - 14** (a) The Health Club of your school is going to organize a workshop on making the public and school children aware of the fast spreading viral disease these days. As the Secretary of the Club, write a letter to the Medical Officer of Health of your area inviting him to give a talk on this subject. (Use above 100 words)

Include : date, time, venue, purpose of the programme

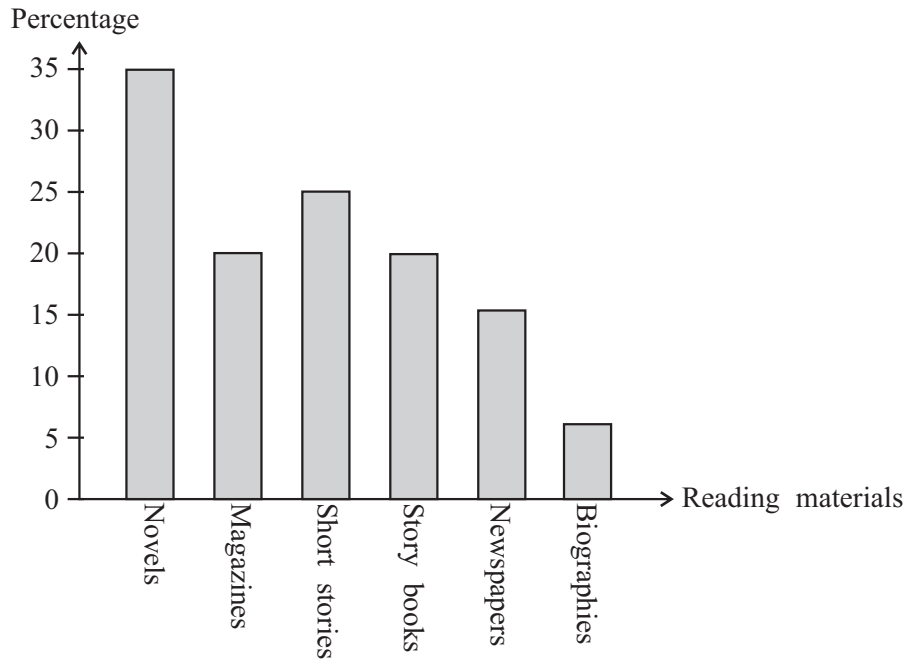
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**OR**

(b) The following bar-graph shows the favourite reading materials of Grade 10 students of Walagamba Central College. Study it and write a description about it. Use about 100 words.

You may use the words like,

highest, lowest, equal, more than, less than



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<b>Marks</b>
<b>C - 3</b>
<b>L - 3</b>
<b>O - 2</b>
<b>M - 2</b>
<b>Total</b> _____
<b>10</b>

**Test - 15** Read the following description about a trained carpenter who works for a construction company in Germany and answer the following questions.

My home is near the city of Split in Yugoslavia. My wife and children live there. I go to see them about three or four times a year. It takes me about twenty hours to drive there. It's awful being away from your family for most of the year. But I didn't want to uproot them and bring them here, unlike many of my Yugoslavian colleagues, who have bought houses here and settled down. I have to stay here to earn enough money to pay for my children's education.

I am living and working here as a temporary arrangement. But I have been here for fifteen years now. I don't know when I'll have enough money to return home for good. At present, about 4.6 million foreigners are living in West Germany. This country started importing foreign labour in the 1960s. The economy was booming then. Like me, most people came here with short work permits and visas. Later they were extended. About one-third of the foreign workers have been here for over ten years.

The first few years were very difficult. I couldn't speak the language and so many things were different. It took me six years to learn German. Outside work, I don't mix much with Germans. I spend my spare time with my Yugoslavian friends. Some of us live in little huts on the edge of the building site where we are working. It saves on rent and we don't have to commute through rush-hour traffic. But it is a little boring at weekends.

This construction company is in the Ruhr Valley. This is the largest industrial area in the whole of Europe. But the building industry has been hit hard by the recession. About 2,800 companies went bankrupt in 1982. So there is less work now.

01. Underline the most suitable phrase,
- (i) According to the text,
    - (a) the writer lives with his wife.
    - (b) the writer lives with his wife and children in Yugoslavia.
    - (c) the writer lives away from his family.

- (ii) Most of the writer's friends, (1 mark)
- (a) have bought houses and settled down in Germany.
- (b) live temporarily in Germany.
- (c) do not like to live there.
02. The writer has been working in this company, (1 mark)
- (a) for fifty years (b) for fifteen years
03. Select words from the passage to complete the sentences. (1 mark)
- (a) It has taken this carpenter six years to ..... Germany.
- (b) He spends his ..... time with Yugoslavian friends.
04. Where is this construction company in? ..... (1 mark)
05. How many companies went bankrupt in 1982? ..... (1 mark)
06. Read paragraph and find a word which has the same meaning as the following. (1 mark)
- (a) Very shocking or terrible - .....
- (b) Persons that one works with in a business or profession - .....
07. Write the sentence which says that their weekends are not so interesting or enjoyable. (1 mark)
08. Underline the correct answer. (1 mark)
- (a) The speaker sees his wife and children three or four times a year.
- (b) He sees them after every 24 hours.
- (c) He has not seen his wife and children for fifteen years.

**Marks**

**1 x 8**

**Total**

**08**

**Test - 16** Write on one of the following. Use about 200 words.

- (a) Write an article to a newspaper on the topic "Let's protect the environment that protects us"
- Include :**
- What environment is.
  - Its uses.
  - The present situation of it.
  - How it protects us.
  - How we should protect it.
- (b) You have been asked to give a speech on the topic, "How computers help children in their studies" at the English Literary Association meeting. Write out the speech you would make.
- (c) Write an essay on the "Importance of reading".
- (d) Write a story. Begin as follows.

*It was like a dream. I read the letter in my hand for the third time .....*

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(Marks = 15)

**Grade 10****ANSWER PAPER****English Language**

- Test 01 (1) about (2) at (3) during (4) against  
(5) on (6) within (1x5=5)
- Test 02 (1) secretary (2) cobbler (3) lawyer (4) President  
(5) mechanic (6) fish monger (1x5=5)
- Test 03 (1) garden (2) shining (3) knife (4) wearing  
(5) basket (6) head (7) buckets (8) compound  
(9) big (10) trees 1 ( $\frac{1}{2} \times 10 = 5$ )
- Test 04 (1) SPORTS DIARY - C (2) EDUCATION - F  
(3) EMPLOYMENT - D (4) OBITURIES - A  
(5) WEATHER - B (6) ENTERTAINMENT - E (1x5=5)
- Test 05 (1) Shashini (2) Mr. Jayanath Fernando  
(3) to give some information about the project. (4) 25.07.2018  
(5) R. Rajapakshe (1x5=5)
- Test 06 Content - 2 + Language - 3 = 5 marks
- Test 07 (1) five years (2) nest to the school kept by William Barnes  
(3) At the age of 30 (4) When he was 58 (5) b (1x5=5)
- Test 08 Content - 2 + Language - 3 = 5 marks
- Paper II**
- Test 09 (01) 1. behave 2. be haviour  
(02) 3. management 4. manager  
(03) 5. advertisement 6. advertise  
(04) 7. socialization 8. social  
(05) 9. careful 10. carelessness ( $\frac{1}{2} \times 10 = 05$ )
- Test 10 (1) comes (2) tallest (3) was (4) many (5) any  
(6) designed (1x5=5)
- Test 11 (1) watchman (2) rich (3) best (4) apples (5) was  
(6) eaten (7) employed (8) all (9) a (10) without  
(11) man (12) is (13) at (14) them ( $\frac{1}{2} \times 4 = 07$ )

**Grade 10****ANSWER PAPER****English Language**

- Test 12
- (1) Nimal said that he was happy that the book was not so big.
  - (2) Suvimali said that they could understand the activities easily.
  - (3) Nalin said that it had a lot of activities arranged from simple to complex.
  - (4) Saroj said that he liked to read the folk tales in it.
  - (5) Raj said that the lessons had been designed in an interesting way.
  - (6) Naveen said that he had done the first unit by himself during the vacation.
- (1 x 5 = 05 marks)

- Test 13
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| (1) experience     | (2) sit          |
| (3) calling        | (4) certificates |
| (5) qualifications | (6) why          |
- (1 x 5 = 05 marks)

Test 14      Content - 3 + Language - 3 + Organization - 2 + Mechanics of writing - 2 = 10 marks.

- Test 15
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| (1) (i) c                                  | (ii) a         |
| (2) b                                      |                |
| (3) (a) learn                              | (b) spare      |
| (4) in Ruhr Valley                         |                |
| (5) 2800 companies                         |                |
| (6) (a) awful                              | (b) Colleagues |
| (7) "But it is a little boring at weekends |                |
| (8) a                                      | (1 x 8 = 8)    |

Test 16      Content - 5 + Language - 5 + Organization - 2 + Mechanics of writing - 3 = 15 marks.