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Provincial Department of Education - NWP

13 E II

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Index No. General English II

Two and half hours only

Important

♦ Answer all questions.

Part A Vocabulary (25 Marks)

- 01) Underline the correct word ending selecting from those given in brackets. (1 x 5 = 05 marks)
 - 1) People are naturally anxi (ety, ously, ous) about these tests.
 - 2) Lila felt very apprehen (sion, ded, sive) about his visit.
 - 3) We visited several archaeolog (ically, y, cal) sites.
 - 4) Evening meals are available by arrang (ing, ment, ed).
 - 5) Lila has been running the company with the assist (ing, ant, ance) of his son.

- 02) Underline the correct word from those given in brackets. (1 x 5 = 05 marks)
 - 1) This hotel has an (envious / envious) position in the main square.
 - 2) We try to make life (tolerant / tolerable) for them.
 - 3) We were living in (temporary/ temporal) accommodation.
 - 4) We drove to the cottage in (virtous / virtual) silence.
 - 5) I wasn't (willful / willing) to accept every item on the list.

- 03) In the following sentences underline the verb that goes with the noun in bold print. (1 x 5 = 05 marks)
 - 1) I would like to (make , do, take) this **opportunity** to thank the organizers.
 - 2) Unpunctuality will (do, make, take) a bad **impression**.
 - 3) Soldiers were called in to (swell, quell, smell) **the riots**.
 - 4) She (cast, looked, noticed) a hurried **glance** at the clock.
 - 5) Finally, the Director of Education (rewarded, presented, forwarded) the **medals** to the winners.

04) Select any five words from the list given below and use each of them in a sentence to bring out its meaning clearly. You may use the verbs in any tense. (1 x 5 = 05 marks)

generally | describe | function | vision | arrangement | admit | data |
| effectively | vital | regard

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05) Choose the word that best completes each sentence. (1 x 5 = 05 marks)

- 1) The church was destroyed in the bombing but the altar survived
a) entire b) intact c) whole d) complete
- 2) I wouldn't want tomy views on anyone.
a) impose b) imply c) impart d) inform
- 3) We wereto learn that she had left the hospital Rs. 18 million.
a) struck b) amazed c) impressed d) startled
- 4) He should have the.....to admit he was wrong.
a) charm b) splendor c) glamour d) grace
- 5) The vaccination.....protection against Polio.
a) allows b) affords c) enables d) presents

Part B - Dialogues (25 marks)

01) The following is a dialogue between Gayani and Mr. Silva. In this dialogue, some parts of the sentences are missing. Select the most appropriate part of sentence to complete each one from the list of options given below the dialogue. Write the number of the selected option in the appropriate blanks. (05 marks)

Mr.Silva : Hello.

Gayani : Hello, (a).....?

Mr. Silva : That's right.

Gayani : Is Malika at home?

Mr. Silva : No, I'm afraid she's out at the moment.

(b).....

Gayani : It's me, Gayani, I'm in London.

Mr. Silva : (c), Gayani, Malika said you were coming over this week. (d)

Gayani: Yesterday afternoon.

Mr. Silva : And have you got somewhere nice to stay?

Gayani: Yes. (e).....

Mr. Silva : Oh yes. I know it. A very good hotel.

- 1. Who's calling, please ?
- 2. How nice to hear you
- 3. When did you arrive?
- 4. I'm at the Star Hotel.
- 5. Is that Mr. Silva ?

02) Write a suitable dialogue based on the guideline below. Do not write more than two sentences in each response. (10 marks)

Situation : You meet a friend of yours after a long time. Invite him/ her to tea.

Guidelines for writing the dialogue.

you : (Greet him/ her and introduce yourself)

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Friend : (Greets you and remembers you)

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You : (About his job)

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Friend : (Answers and inquires about yours.)

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You : (Invite for tea)

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Friend : I would like to

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- 03) Mihiri and Nilan were A/L Students. They both studied at the same school in the same stream. Once they had an argument. Mihiri Strongly said that in modern days like this, men must learn to cook. Whereas Nilan repeatedly emphasized that cooking was not compulsory for men and it was the responsibility of women. Write the conversation that took place between Mihiri and Nilan in the form of a argumentative dialogue. Each one must speak at least five times. (10 marks)

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Part C - Comprehension (30 marks)

- 01) Read the following text and do the activities that follow. (20 marks)

Many years ago, a tortoise and a snake lived beside a river. They were not friends. Each wanted to be the king of the river.

The snake often tried to bite the tortoise, but the tortoise pulled back his head and his feet inside his shell. The snake could not bite the shell, as this was so hard and strong that the tortoise was not hurt.

One day after the snake had tried to bite **him**, the tortoise said,

" Ha! Ha! I am the king here! I am so strong that nobody can bite me."

The snake was very angry, but he said,

" How did you become so strong?"

The tortoise said,

" I am strong, and all my friends are strong, because **we** cut off our heads at night."

The snake said,

" That's very fine thing. If I call my friends will you show us how to do it?"

" Yes," said, the tortoise, " I'll show you"

So the snake and the tortoise called together all their friends and families. On one side there were hundreds of tortoises, and on the other side hundreds of snakes.

Then the first tortoise held a piece of hard wood with his foot and seemed to cut off his head. All the tortoise did the same. But they did not cut off their heads, they pulled their heads inside their shells.

The snakes thought this was fine. Next day, they came to the tortoise again and said, "We should like to cut off our heads, every night, but we have no feet, so we cannot hold the hard wood."

The tortoise said,

"That's very sad, If you could not cut off your head, you would become as strong as we are. what can we do?"

" Well" said the snake, " you have feet, so will you do it for us?"

"Yes, gladly." said the tortoise.

So each of the tortoise took a piece of hard wood, and cut off the heads of the snakes. Of course all the snakes died, and then, the first tortoise became the king of the river.

(A) Write true or false beside each sentence in the space provided (1 x 6 = 06 marks)

- a. The snake and the tortoise were not on good terms. ()
- b. The snake bit the tortoise ()
- c. The tortoise asked the snake how he had become so strong. ()
- d. The tortoise cut their heads at night to get strong. ()
- e. The snake wanted to find out how the tortoise cut their heads. ()
- f. The tortoise was very wise. ()

(B) Fill in the blanks in the following passage, based on the information in the above text. Do not use more than two words in each blank. (1 x 5 = 05 marks)

The tortoise held a piece of hard wood in their (1)and seemed to cut off their (2) The snakes were happy. As they had no hands they asked the (3)to hold the hard (4) The tortoise (5)..... the heads of the snakes.

(C) Who or what do the underlined words in the passage refer to (1x 3 = 03 marks)

- a) him (paragraph 3)
- b) we (paragraph 3)
- c) their friends (paragraph 4)

(D) Write one word for each blank selecting from the passage, which means the same as each of the given words / phrases. (1 x 6 = 06 marks)

- a) hard outer covering =
- b) many times =
- c) delight =
- d) portion =
- e) no one =
- f) a man who rules a country =

(2) Read the following letter and answer the questions that follow. (10 marks)

No. 27, Galle Road,
Colombo 05.
May 14, 2010.

The Sub Inspector of Police,
Police Station,
Dehiwala.

Dear sir,

Complaint against theft of Motor Cycle.

I would like to lodge a complaint against the theft of my motorcycle.

My motorcycle (Honda - Unicorn) with registration number SL 36 3412 has been stolen from the premises of British College of Technology, Colombo 06 around 7.30 p.m. May 21, 2010. The vehicle was kept in the parking area around the canteen and locked around 6.00 p.m.

It is a 2008 model, crimson red and is in brand new condition. Its engine number is C 43534343981. My name "Suresh" is engraved on the handle bar. On the rear number plate, there is a glow sign caption "STOP". The Registration, Insurance and my driving license are kept in the glove kit.

I kindly request **you** to look into the matter and do the needful to recover the motor cycle at the earliest.

Thank you,
Yours sincerely,

.....
(K. Suresh)

Encl : A recent photograph of the motorcycle.
Copy of the registration certificate

- 1) What was the complaint about ? (01 mark)
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- 2) Where was the motor cycle lost ? (01 mark)
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- 3) Who is the owner of the motor cycle ? (01 mark)
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- 4) What are the ordinary features of the motor cycle described by the owner? (02 marks)
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- 5) What are the special features of the motorcycle described by the owner ? (02 marks)
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- 6) What has the owner enclosed with the letter? (02 marks)
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- 7) Who or what do the following pronouns in bold print refer to ? (01 mark)
 - (1) it -
 - (2) you -

Part D - Writing (20 marks)

Answer all the questions.

- 01) Write a paragraph beginning with the following sentence.
It was a rainy dark night.....
Use about 75 - 100 words. (05 marks)

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