

# English Language

Grade 09

Mid Year Examination - 2015

Time: 02½ Hours

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● **Answer all the questions on paper itself.**

01 Select the suitable language functions for the given statements and fill the blanks using the functions in the box.

Uncle : How do you get to school ?

Child : (1) .....

Uncle : I see. Are you ever late ?

Child : (2) .....

Uncle : What time do you catch the bus ?

Child : (3) .....

Uncle : That's early isn't it ?

Child : (4) .....

Uncle : How far is it ?

Child : (5) .....

(1) It's twelve stops                      (2) Well, It's a long way                      (3) Sometimes  
(4) I usually go by bus                      (5) Half past six                      (05 marks)

02 Complete the following sentences with the correct form of the words given in the brackets.

(1) The boy ran across the play ground ..... (quick)

(2) K. Jayatilaka is a famous ..... (write)

(3) Mr. Perera supervises the ..... (organize) of the event.

(4) I don't think it is ..... (suit) for a man of your age.

(5) The students should look after their personal ..... (clean)

(6) The pupils need to ..... (beauty) their classroom for the function.

(7) He is the most ..... (use) cricketer in our team.

(8) Everyone appreciated their ..... (drama) skills.

(9) What a ..... (wonder) event it was !

(10) Indians won the match quite ..... (handsome) (10 marks)

03 Grade 9 students of Rajarata M.V. went on a trip to Kandy. The following chart shows their itinerary. Read it and write a short paragraph about it. Write in about (50 - 75 words)

Date	Place	Time
6th March 2011	Leaving the school	5.30 a.m.
	Breakfast at Kegalle	7.15 a.m.
	Pinnawala Elephant Orphanage	8.00 a.m.
	Temple of the Tooth- Kandy	11.00 a.m.
	Lunch - Peradeniya Botanical Garden	1.00 p.m.
	Temples of Ambekke and Gadaladeniya	3.30 p.m.
	Return	5.45 p.m.

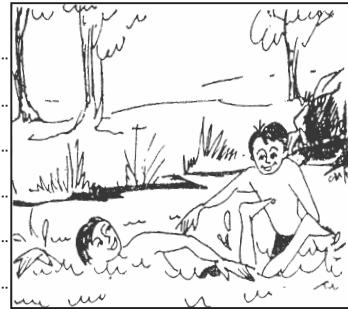
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Grade 9 students of Rajarata M. V. went on a trip to Kandy. They .....

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04 Look at the following picture and write five sentences on it. (10 marks)

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..... (10 marks)

05 Complete the sentences in "A" by using suitable conjunctions given in the box and the rest of the part in "B".

**A**

**B**

- (1) He slipped and fell down
- (2) Students shouted
- (3) I worked hard
- (4) Ruwan plays football
- (5) Manori came late

- He walked carefully
- I got low marks
- She missed the bus
- The teacher was explaining the lesson
- His sister plays netball

because / but / although / while / whereas

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..... (05 marks)

06 Read the following sentences and fill in the blanks using correct verb form of the given verb within brackets.

- (1) If you study well, you ..... (pass) the examination.
- (2) If we ..... (work) hard, we will earn a lot of money.
- (3) If Malini ..... (practise) well, she will win the match.
- (4) Kamal ..... (get) well if he responds to treatment.
- (5) The engineers will finish the job, if we ..... (pay) them regularly.

(05 marks)

07 Read the speech given below and complete it using the words in the box.

paved / becoming / according / the / had / supporters / neglected / never / me / best
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Principal, teachers and my dear friends, I'm pleased to stand before you today to share my experiences with you. I never dreamt of (1) ..... the All-island best. However, I (2) ..... a strong determination to do my (3) ..... at the exam. Though it wasn't easy, I (4) ..... gave up. My determination and dedication and (5) ..... encouragement given by my teachers (6) ..... the way for my success.

My parents were my (7) ..... They were with (8) ..... all the time. I worked methodically (9) ..... to a time table. I never (10) ..... my home work. (10 marks)

08 Following paragraph tells you how Anoja and her family members got ready for the New Year festival last year. Rewrite the passage using passive voice.

First we cleaned the cob-webs. Then we washed the floor of the house. Next we arranged the furniture nicely. After that we hung the new curtains. Then my mother prepared the sweetmeats. We bought new clothes too.

Fist the cobwebs were cleaned .....

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09 Fill in the blanks with the given prepositions. (10 marks)

in / on / within / at / of
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- (1) It is difficult to answer a long question paper ..... two hours.
- (2) Sri Lanka gained independence from foreign rule ..... the 4th of February 1948.
- (3) ..... the ancient times Anuradhapura had been the capital of Ceylon.
- (4) Out ..... all the students in our class I like Kamal the best.
- (5) He promised to meet me ..... 9 o'clock but it's 10.30 now and he hasn't turned up yet. (05 marks)

10 Read the following text and answer the given questions.

Crocodiles are fast swimmers. A crocodile swims silently by swishing its tail from side to side, paddling with its back legs. It lies low in the water, like a floating log, but able to see, hear and breathe.

Hungry crocodiles will eat fish, birds and larger creatures such as deer and rabbits. Waiting patiently just below the water's surface, they lie ready to snap up any creature that comes too close.

Mostly live in fresh water in warm parts of the world. On land, they usually waddle along on their bellies, but sometimes they run on all fours, with their bodies off the ground and their tails in the air. A crocodile cannot chew its food. So, after drawing its prey it shakes and twists the body to tear it into bite-size chunks.

- (1) How does a crocodile swim ?.....
- .....
- (2) How does it wait for its prey ?.....
- .....
- (3) Usually, what do they take as their food ?.....
- (4) Where do they like to live mostly ?.....
- .....
- (5) On land how do they behave ?.....
- .....
- (6) Why does a crocodile shake his body after it drawing a prey ?.....
- .....
- (7) Give one word from the text
  - (a) walk on the shallow water .....
  - (b) biting food into small particles .....
- (8) Give opposite from the text.
  - (a) smaller - .....
  - (b) slow - .....
  - (c) noisily - .....
  - (d) bottom - .....

11 You are the secretary of the Nature Club of your school. You have organized a Flower Show. Write a notice to inform the members. Give the place, date and time. (10 marks)



12 Write an essay on **one** of the following topics. (05 marks)

- (a) A visit to an Ancient Kingdom.
- (b) My mother is the precious gift I have got.



(15 marks)