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Practice Paper | උපකාරක ප්‍රශ්න පත්‍ර

English Language

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Answer Sheet - I, II | පිළිතුරු පත්‍රය - I, II (English Medium)



Distance Learning Promotion Branch | English & Foreign Languages Branch

Answer Script – Paper 1

Test 1

i	The computer lab	c
ii	Highway	f
iii	A box with glasses	a
iv	The library	d
v	A construction site	e
vi	A bus	b

Test 2

Nuvindu	Hi Imal! I haven't seen you for a few days.
Imal	Hi, I went on a trip to Kandy.
Nuvindu	That's great . Whom did you go with?
Imal	With my pen friend who came from Japan recently .
Nuvindu	Where did you visit?
Imal	He wanted to visit the places of historical importance. We went to the Temple of the Tooth, Embekke shrine , Gadaladeniya and Lankathilaka temple.
Nuvindu	Really! How many days did you spend in Kandy?
Imal	Three days only, but we had a wonderful time.
Nuvindu	Can I see the photographs ?
Imal	Sure, I will show them to you.

Test 3

This is a picture of a small bedroom. There are several (1) ...**e**... such as a carpet, a desk, a chair, a wall hanger and (2) ... **d** ... toys on a rack that is fixed to the wall. There is a (3) ... **f** ... on the left side of the wall with curtains hung on either (4) ... **c** ... of it. There is a (5) **g** ... bed with a pillow and a bed sheet. Two girls are sitting on the bed. The girl with a toy (6) . **h**.. in her hand has short hair while the (7) ... **i** ... has pigtails. The two girls seem to be (8) ... **a** .. about the toy and the girl in (9) ... **j** ... is wearing shoes. There is a small desk and a (10) .**b**. on the right side of the picture and the carpet is lying on the (11) ... **k** just in front of the bed.

Test 4

Why should we respect elders? When we give respect to someone (1) (**it**, it's, itself) means you have already taken the first step towards getting a place in (2) (there, **their**, they) heart. Respecting elders in our life gives (3) (**us**, we, ourselves) confidence. If you want to achieve success and prosperity (4) (**you**, your, yourself) have to cultivate this quality. Elders should be given respect as we can learn a lot by observing (5) (they, their, **them**). When you give respect to people, they think they are important in (6) (you, **your**, yourself) life. Let us respect our elders.

Test 5

Situated in	1	Northwest Pacific Ocean
Two main islands	2, 3	Hokkaido/ Honshu/ Shikoku/ Kyushu / Okinawa (<i>any two</i>)
Currency	4	Japanese Yen
A natural sight	5	cherry blossoms / Mount Fuji (<i>any one</i>)
A cultural value	6	politeness / punctuality (<i>any one</i>)

Test 6

Content	-	2
Language	-	3
Total	-	5

Notice

English Literary Association of our school has planned to form a **Debating Circle** to improve English skills of the students. There will be a meeting to discuss the above.

Date - 20th November 2022

Time - 11.00 a.m.

Venue - school main hall

All the students are invited.

Secretary

English Literary Association

07.11.2022

Test 7

1	Wild kangaroos are found mostly in	a	Australia
2	Kangaroos travel	c	in groups of five to hundred
3	The life span of a kangaroo is	b	7 – 20 years
4	The name of a fully grown male kangaroo is	a	boomer
5	A kangaroo can jump up to	b	6 metres

Test 8

Content	-	2
Language	-	3
Total	-	5

a Love animals: they are a part of nature

The world consists of many things. Animals are a part of it. There has been a close relationship between humans and animals along the history. Animals beautify nature. Without animals, we would have an imbalanced nature. We keep animals as pets. They are our companions. Therefore, we should love and protect them.

b Water is our life blood.

Water is a gift given by nature. We use water for a variety of purposes. We need water for drinking, washing, agriculture, generating electricity etc. Neither humans nor animals can live without water. Therefore, we must protect water as our life. Water is a limited resource. Let's get together to save water for the future of Earth.

Answer Script – Paper II

Test 9

Protecting your eyes is very important for your health. Everyone (1) [(a) **sees** (b) seas (c) seized] the world through his or her eyes. You should not expose your eyes to ultra violet (2) [(a) race (b) **rays** (c) raise] as it could damage your eyes. (3) [(a) **Sore** (b) Saw (c) Soar] eyes is a common eye disease which spreads in certain times. In order to cure, you should neither rely on indigenous medicine (4) [(a) no (b) know (c) **nor**] use any local herbs as it could be harmful to your eyes. You should (5)..... [(a) where (b) **wear** (c) ware] sunglasses as a precautionary measure. You must protect your eyes as a treasure.

Test 10

Tharushi	“It is great to get together for a worthy act”
	Tharushi said that it was great to get together for a worthy act.
Ranudi	“I bought some books for the elders yesterday”
	Ranudi said that she had bought some books for the elders the day before./the previous day
Kavodi	“My mother will prepare lunch for all”
	Kavodi said that her mother would prepare lunch for all.
Tharushi	“Where are Ranudi’s sisters?”
	Thatushi asked where Ranudi’s sisters were.
Ranudi	“My sisters are preparing sweets for tomorrow”
	Ranudi said that her sisters were preparing sweets for the next day./the following day.
Kavodi	“My father has already reserved a van for us”
	Kavodi said that her father had already reserved a van for them.

Test 11

Air travels has developed steadily in the twentieth century. Aeroplanes (1) **were** invented only at the (2) **beginning** of this century, but (3) **within** eight decades they have (4) **become** a common sight. Today, (5) **every** minute, thousands of planes (6) **land** and take off at (7) **airports** all over the world. (8) **But** man has still not (9) **made** air travel completely safe. (10) **A** very large number of (11) **air** crashes still take place. (12) **When** an aeroplane crashes, often (13) **hundreds** of people are killed (14) **in** 1977, one of the worst crashes took place at Tenerife airport when two jumbo jets took off.

Test 12

Zuha received the following letter from her friend Sanduni who has gone on a holiday to Jaffna. Fill in the blanks using the most appropriate form of the verb given within brackets. (5 marks)

Dear Zuha,

How are you? I’m in Jaffna. I came here last Friday. On my arrival, I (1) **was fascinated** (fascinate) by the beauty of this area. I (2) **am staying** (stay) with my pen friend, Shobana’s family these days. We (3) **have known** (know) each other for a long time. I (4) **have been writing/have written** (write) to her since I was in grade 6. I (5) **will tell** (tell) you about the places I visited when we meet. Give my love to all in your family.

Sanduni

Test 13

	Name	Type of Book	Name of the Book
1	Gayali	“I love to read stories about girls who struggled in their lives and lived happily ever after”	D
2	Mihin	“I like to read about experiences recorded by people about their own lives.”	A
3	Farook	“I want to read a story of a boy who fled from home and lived with his best friend.”	C
4	Devi	“I love to read about the life and experiences of a sailor who was left alone in a remote place.”	B
5	John	“I like to read adventure story of a teenager and about various people he meets.”	E

Test 14 (a)

Thopawewa Vidyalaya,
Thopawewa.
20.11.2022

Teacher-In-charge,
Drama Circle,
Vidyaloka Vidyalaya,
Thopawewa.

Dear Madam,

Invitation to Judge the Drama Competition

I am the Secretary of the Drama Circle of Thopawewa Vidyalaya. We have organized an Inter House Drama Competition. We would like to invite you to judge this competition.

This competition will be held from 2.00 p.m. onwards on 10th December 2022 at our school main hall. There will be two categories, namely Senior and Junior. The theme for this year is ‘Peace’. The duration of each drama is 10 minutes. Altogether there will be 08 dramas. A veteran actor, Mr. Chathura Mudalige and Mr. Prince Athukorala, the drama teacher of Swarnapali College will join as the other two judges.

We would be much obliged if you could serve as a judge at this event. Hope to receive a favourable reply.

Thank you.
Yours faithfully,



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Thenuli Munasinghe

Test 14 (b)

This bar graph depicts the materials the grade 10 students of Gemunu Vidyalaya like to read during their free time. The horizontal axis represents reading materials while the vertical axis represents the number of students. The reading materials are newspapers, novels, magazines, comics, short stories and tabloids.

The majority of the students read novels while the least number of students read tabloids. An equal number of students like to read newspapers and magazines. More students like to read novels than comics. Fewer students read tabloids than short stories. 20 students read comics while 10 students like to read short stories. Only 5 students read tabloids.

According to this bar graph we can say that novels are the most popular reading material among the grade 10 students.

Test 15			True	False
1	1	The silk is a liquid when it first comes out of a silkworm's body	✓	
	2	The silkworm is a worm		✓
	3	A silkworm hatches into a moth after six weeks		✓
	4	The silk moth lives for a few days after she has laid her eggs	✓	
2	a	Cocoon in paragraph 2	iii	<u>Silky wrap</u>
	b	Substance in paragraph 2	iv	<u>material</u>
3		Write the word in paragraph 2 that is similar in meaning to 'pressed'		squeezed
4	i	"It" in paragraph 2 line 4		Liquid silk
	ii	"They" in paragraph 3 line 2		The Chinese
5		Which of the following shows the process of rearing silkworms?		
	ii	Feeding caterpillars on the leaves of the mulberry tree.		
6		Study the four subheadings given below. Underline the most suitable subheading for the last paragraph		
	ii	How to take care of silkworms		

Test 16**a Importance of eating healthy food**

Introduction	What is meant by healthy food
Paragraph 1	– Healthy food is a balanced diet with all the nutrients
Paragraph 2	Why we should take healthy food
	– To be healthy, to be protected and to grow in a healthy way.
Paragraph 3	Benefits of eating healthy food
	– Helps growth of muscles and bones
	– Keeps hair, skin, eyes and teeth healthy
	– Boosts immunity
	– Helps digestion
	– Keeps us strong
Paragraph 4	Not eating healthy food or eating junk or fast food is unhealthy
	– High in calories but low in nutrition
	– Is harmful to our bodies
	– Contains high amounts of sugar, salt and oil
	– May cause obesity, diabetes, high blood pressure
Conclusion	– As there are many bad effects, we should avoid junk food
	– We must take a balanced, nutritional diet.

b How to be Courteous

You should start the speech by getting permission from the audience. Do not forget to include the speech markers in-between.

Introduction	What courtesy is.
Paragraph 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It is showing politeness in speech, act and attitudes • To be accepted in the society, we have to be courteous
Paragraph 2	How we can be courteous <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To respect every individual • Use polite words such as ‘please’ • To admit when we are wrong • Respect elders and teachers
Paragraph 3	Importance of being courteous <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Every action has a reaction and so does ‘being courteous’ • When we treat others nicely, others will also treat us well • We will be liked by many and accepted in the society.
Conclusion	End the speech by thanking and giving a message.

c People migrate to other countries is a common issue these days

Introduction	What migration is
Paragraph 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The movement of a person or people from one country to another
Paragraph 2	The reasons for migration <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Economic crisis in the country • Low salaries and less facilities • Better life condition in other countries • Education • Better job opportunities
Paragraph 3	Problems that arise due to migration <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fewer skilled people will stay back • Affects education of the country • Can harm economic development
Paragraph 4	What we can do to stop migration <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Country should provide better opportunities in education • More employment opportunities should be provided • Salary increments and other facilities should be provided

d Fathima recently went abroad to represent Sri Lanka in an international conference for student leaders. Imagine you met her at sports practices. Complete the dialogue you had with Fathima asking about her tour.

You	: Hi Fathima, I heard that you went on a tour. How was it?
Fathima	: It was a fantastic experience.
You	: No wonder, it must be like a dream come true.
Fathima	: Of course! I always wanted to visit overseas.
You	: Tell me about it Fathima. When and where was it held?
Fathima	: It was held in Tokyo, Japan. We went there on the 5 th of this month.
You	: That’s great! How were you selected for this tour?
Fathima	: You know, as the president of the Interact Club, I initiated many social service projects. I was selected from among many young leaders.
You	: I’m proud of you Fathima. Did you visit any interesting places?
Fathima	: Yes, when we had time we went sightseeing.
You	: Did you eat Japanese food?
Fathima	: Oh yes! My favourite were Ramen and Sushi.
You	: I would love to see the photos you have taken and know more details.
Fathima	: Sure Ruvini, visit my place on Sunday. We can have a chat.
You	: Thanks my friend. I have got to go now. See you on Sunday.
Fathima	: See you.