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## G.C.E ORDINARY LEVEL 2022 (2023) SUPPORTIVE SEMINAR ENGLISH LANGUAGE

## QUESTION PAPER I, II


Distance Learning Promotion Branch
GCE Ordinary Level Supportive Seminar 2022 (2023)

| English Language - I | Time: 1 Hour |
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## Instructions

ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS ON THIS PAPER ITSELF.

## Test 1

Match the pictures with the instructions. Write the correct letter in the box. The first one is done for you.

1) Ladies only $\square$
2) Don't touch

3) Animals cross $\square$
4) For disabled $\square$
5) Do not wet

6) Put the litter into the bin $\square$


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Test 2
Fill in the blanks in the following vacancy using the words given in the box. Write the letter of the correct word in the space given. The first one is done for you.
(1X5=5 Marks)

## Vacancy

## Post of Programme Officer

A well established reputed company in Colombo has a (1) ......d....... for a programme officer.

## Qualifications:

- 3 Passes in GCE A/L
- Less than 2 years (2). $\qquad$ in Accounting field.
- Computer (3) with Email, Ms Office and web browsing.
- (4) in English Language.
Please apply with names and (5) $\qquad$ numbers of 2 nonrelated referees to the following (6) $\qquad$
The General Manager,
Lake House Pvt Ltd
Colombo 2
a) address
b) literacy
c) contact
d) vacancy
e) fluency
f) experience


## Test 3

Study the picture and fill in the blanks using the words given in the box. Write the letter of the correct word in the blank. The first one is done for you.


This picture shows a living room. $\mathrm{A}(1) \ldots \mathrm{C} \ldots$. and two girls are busy playing a (2) game on the floor. (3) $\qquad$ is sitting on a sofa watching them play. She is wearing a dotted (4)
$\qquad$ is near the television. The girl in a (6) $\qquad$ frock seems to be the youngest in the family. There is a book (7) $\qquad$ at the (8) $\qquad$ of the room. There is a tank of (9) $\qquad$ on top of it. $\mathrm{A}(10)$ $\qquad$ of plant is there next to the sofa. This is one of the happiest moments at (11) $\qquad$

## Test 4

Fill in the blanks in the following dialogue using the words given in the box. The first one is done for you.

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Hasan: Hello! What are you going to do today? Today is a holiday, isn't tt ?
Kameel: Hello. Yes. We thought (1) ....of.... going to Madhu church. Would you like to join us?
Hasan: Yes, I'd like it very much. How do you hope to go and (2) $\qquad$ whom?

Kameel: We are going there (3) $\qquad$ our van with our family members.

Hasan: At what time should I come (4) $\qquad$ your place?

Kameel: We start (5) $\qquad$ home about 5.30. (6) $\qquad$ the evening.

Hasan: Fine. I will be there with some candles.
Kameel: Ok, Bye.
Hasan: Bye.
(1X5=5 Marks)

## Test 5

Read the text and complete the table given below. The first one is done for you.
Kate and her cousin, Bob are going on holiday to an adventure camp. They love adventure sports. So when they arrive, they feel very excited because it's a really beautiful place where they can do lots of different sports.

On Monday, they ride mountain bikes. "wow this is great!" says Bob. "you can ride very well" says kate.

On Tuesday, they go rock climbing. "you can climb very fast Bob, but I can't!" says kate.
On Wednesday, they go rafting. Bob is a bit scared because he can't swim very well but kate can. "Come on Bob, this is fantastic!" says kate.

On Thursday they go surfing. Kate can do a lot of surfing tricks. "Look at me! I'm a great surfer, I love it!" says kate.

On Friday, they go parachuting. They jump and fall through the air. Kate and Bob had an amazing week, but now they are ready to go home and rest for the rest of the weekend.

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| 1 | The number of people go on holiday to an adventure camp | i) $\ldots . .2 \ldots .$. |
| :---: | :--- | :--- |
| 2 | The day they start their adventure sports. | ii) $\ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots$ |
| 3 | The person who can't climb the rocks very fast | iii) $\ldots \ldots \ldots$. |
| 4 | This sport is fantastic. | iv) $\ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots$ |
| 5 | Two activities, done by Bob and Kate when parachuting | v) $\ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots$. |

(1X5=5 Marks)

## Test 6

Your English teacher has been admitted to the hospital due to some sickness. Your friends want to take you to the hospital after school. Write a note to your mother telling you would come home late. Use about 40-50 words.

Use the following guidelines
$\Rightarrow$ Reason for returning home late
$\Rightarrow$ Who your friends are
$\Rightarrow$ Mention when you return
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## Test 7

## Read the text and answer the questions.

The Red Indians were waiting for the arrival of the bison. The beasts, which come only once a year, are a good source of meat and hide. The Red Indians needed these to survive the cold, bitter winter.

Tikki, the young boy was chosen to look out for the herd's arrival. Everyday, he would run to the top of the hill to see if he could spot them on the vast horizon.

One night, while he was sleeping, the ground shook violently and his bag of arrows fell off from its hook on the wall. Tikki rushed out of his wigwam and felt a strong gust of wind and dust gush past him. Shouting excitedly, he ran to the other wigwams and woke everyone up. A big fire was immediately built and the Red Indians danced around it, giving praises to their God who had, at last, sent them their food and clothing of animal hide. The next morning, all the warrior were assigned to hunt down the beasts which were grazing near the river.

## Underline the correct answer.

1) An animal mentioned in the text
a) buffalo
b)bison
c) cow
2. Why did the Red Indians need bisons?
A) to keep them as pets
B) to do their work
C) to survive the cold, bitter winter
3) Tikki is a name of
a) a boy
b) a pet
c) an old man
4) According to the text the word similar in meaning to "violently" is
a) heavily
b) gently
c) quickly
5) Underline the correct statement according to the text.
a) Wigwam is a hut.
b) Wigwam is a village.
c) Wigwam is a pond.

## Test 8

Write a paragraph on any one of the following topics. Use about 50 to $\mathbf{6 0}$ words.
(a) A valuable gift I received
(b) A festival you celebrate
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| Test 9 <br> Read the text and underline the most suitable word given within brackets. |  |

Friendship is a bond between two living beings. Age, status, caste, creed or gender is of no
(1) $\ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots . .$. (important, importance, imported) when it comes to friendship. A child, a teenager, a young or even an (2) ................... (old, oldest, older) person can find a friend. Friendship is like a plant which must be watered (3) ........................ (regular, regularly, regularity) to grow. True friends (4) ........................ (share, shares, Sharing) almost everything; their dreams, plans, joy and sorrows. We share our secrets and (5) (thinks, thinking, thoughts) with a true friend because he is trust worthy and loyal to us.

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Test }1
Read the letter given below and fill in the blanks with the correct form of the verb given with-
in brackets.
Ravi Varun,
Gr.11 B
20.12.2022
The principal,
V/Pramandu Vidyalaya,
Vavuniya.
Dear Sir,
We are a group of four students from Gr. 11 }\mp@subsup{}{}{\textrm{B}}\mathrm{ who have qualified for the final round of the inter-
school quiz competition which (1)
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$\qquad$

``` (hold) at the Town Hall on 26.12.2022. The competition is going to be tough, so we (2) ......................... (prepare) well. We may have to refer to many books. So we (3) \(\ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots\)................equest) you to give us permission to use the school library after school hours. We (4) ....................... (like) to take the help of Ms.Praba, our librarian.
The students taking part in the competition (5) ................. (be) Suren Sharma, Shan Jenes and Amit.
Please give us permission as soon as possible. We would like to begin our work tomorrow.
Yours sincerely,
\(\mathscr{K}_{\text {gvi }}\) Farun (1X5=5 Marks)
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## Test 11

## Fill in the blanks with the words given in the box. There is one extra word.

Laid, Male, unlike, after, such, with, into, collect, other, in, rest, member, together, that, hatched

The honey bee is a very unusual kind of insect. (1) $\qquad$ other insects which live alone, the honey bee lives as a (2) $\qquad$ of a community. These bees live (3) in what is known as a bee colony. The head of the colony is called the queen bee. She is larger than the (4) $\qquad$ of the bees. Her main task (5) $\qquad$ the colony is to lay eggs. Most of the (6) bees are the worker bees. These bees (7) $\qquad$ nectar and pollen from flowers. The nectar (8) $\qquad$ is carried by the worker bees is deposited on the hive and then converted (9) $\qquad$ honey. The worker bees also help look (10) the young bees. As soon as the eggs are (11) $\qquad$ the worker bees feed the young bees (12) .................... pollen and nectar. The third type of bee found in the colony is the drone or (13) bee. The main task of (14) $\qquad$ a bee is to mate with a new queen.
(1/2X14=7 Marks)

## Test 12

## Complete the following passage using the most appropriate form of the verb given within brackets.

Ever since the 19th century, when people were developing different ways of creating electricity, companies (1) $\qquad$ (look) for improved ways of producing power, using cleaner and more efficient methods. Now a UK company (2) $\qquad$ (focus) on technology that could be widely (3) (use) in the future to produce electricity. The company (4) (develop) a special type of floor, with square titles. Underneath each square, there (5) (be) a system that can produce a certain amount of electricity every time if someone steps on it.

## Test 13

Read the following classified advertisements. Select the most suitable caption for each advertisement and write the letter of the caption in the box given against the paragraph. The first one is done for you.

## Captions

a) Classifieds
b) House and property
c) Vehicles
d) Food and lodging
e) Musical instruments
f) Furniture for sale

## Advertisements

| 1. | Antique and modern furniture, Almirahs, beds, sofas, dining tables and <br> many more. Bargain at No.55, Park Road, Colombo-05, TP - <br> 0115268134 | $\mathbf{f}$ |
| :--- | :--- | :---: |
| 2 | Vacancy for male/female receptionists, food and beverage managers, <br> house keepers and waiters at a five star hotel. Pearl Hotel, Beruwala. TP <br> -6832145 | $\square$ |

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| 3. | Luxury houses for sale at Bagatale Road, Colombo 7, four bed rooms <br> with all modern facilities, including parking. Tel. 2834672 | $\square$ |
| :--- | :--- | :---: |
| 4 | Pianos, Organs, Guitars and Drums for sale. TP - 2581378 | $\square$ |
| 5 | A working lady needs a room with facilities close to general hospital, <br> Colombo. TP - 6528312 | $\square$ |
| 6 | A lady wants a used car in good condition. 1.5 million. TP - 1357924 | $\square$ |

## Test 14

One of your friends has asked your guidance to select a suitable stream for his A/Ls. Write a letter to him/her to advise. Use about 100 words. Include the following.
-Mention the stream suitable to your friend.
-Advantages of selecting that stream
-Future benefits
(10 Marks)
OR
The following pie chart shows the percentage of house hold waste in 2021. Write a description about it. Use about 100 words. The following words will help you.
(10 Marks)
More, most, majority, lowest, highest, equal

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## Test 15

Read the following text and answer the questions given below.
(1) Lamai is a young girl who lives in Thailand. This article describes her daily trips to a floating market. The life in the villages is quite different from the life in the cities. People live on farms and grow their own vegetables or buy them fresh everyday from the local market. The market here is not in a building. It is a floating market located on a river. People travel in their boats on the river, buying and selling almost anything.
(2) Lamai and her family live on a farm. They grow fruits and vegetables and sell them at the market each day. The family's day starts at 3.00 am . Long before the sun comes up, Lamai and her brother help their parents. They pick fruits and vegetables and clean them. Then they load everything into a long boat called a 'ruilla pais'. Their boat is ready by about 6.00 am . Lamai's father and brother stay on the farm to work while Lamai and her mother row to the closest floating market. On the way, the water is still and peaceful. Lamai sees the bright sun beginning to shine, so they have no time to lose.

Soon, Lamai hears laughing and yelling in the distance. Then the sounds grow louder. Her mother rows the boat around a corner. Suddenly, they are at the floating market. Hundreds of boats are gathered at a wide place in the river.
(4) Merchants call out what they have to sell. People go from one seller to another in their boats. They buy fruits at one boat and fresh bread at another. Lamai's mother will sell bananas, ripe tomatoes and other vegetables.

1) Say whether the following statements are 'True' or 'False'. Put a tick ( $\checkmark$ ) in the relevant column.

|  | True | False |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| (1) Lamai is an old lady who lives in Thailand |  |  |
| (2) The market which is located on a river |  |  |
| (3) Lamai and her family live in a city |  |  |
| (4) Before the dawn, the family starts to work together |  |  |

(2) Complete the following statements.
A) Lamai's family load everything into a long boat called
B) The daughter and her mother row their boat to the closest
(3) Read the paragraph (2) and find a word which has the same meaning as the following.
A)Remain in the same place $\qquad$
B)Without violence
(4) Underline the best title for the passage.
A) Daily trip to a floating market
B) Describing about a supermarket
C) Daily life of a town girl
(5) Write the statement that says the people purchase their things.

## Test 16

Write on one of the following topics. Use about 200 words.
A) write an essay on reading is a better pass time than watching television. Use the guidelines given below.
-What past time activities are
-Say why reading book is better

- Your personal opinion
B) A speech you would make at the school assembly on 'How to reduce the garbage in the school'
-How garbage gathers at school
-Problems faced by students and teachers
-Solutions
C) Write an article on importance of the knowledge of using internet.
-Usage of knowledge of internet in various fields
-Advantages and disadvantages of using internet
-Why the knowledge of internet is essential.
D) you meet your retried class teacher at a super market. You want to know how she enjoys her retirement. Complete the dialogue.

You: Good morning teacher. I am so happy to meet you.
Teacher: oh! Suthakar! How are you?
You: $\qquad$
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