

Samudradevi Balika Vidyalaya - Nugegoda

1<sup>st</sup> Term Evaluation - 2012

English

Marks:

Grade 10

Name: .....

Time: 2 hours

**Test 01**

(10 marks)

Complete the following paragraph with preposition from the box.

The first one is done for you

We were (a) ..... **on** ..... holiday (b) ..... our grandparents (c) .....

The last school vacation. We had a lot (d) ..... fun. But when it was time (e)

..... get back home we were sad. However we enjoyed the return journey (f)

..... train.

(of, to, during, by, with, on)

**Test 02**

(10 marks)

Use the two words given in brackets to make each sentence meaningful.

- a) I had to ..... in the queue to check the ..... of my bag.  
(weight/wait)
- b) The ..... smell of the ..... pen stopped the children playing there (fow/foul)
- c) The ..... of a baby in the ..... of the train created sensation (birth / berth )
- d) Sam was at the ..... watching the ..... of his over weight  
wife (gate/ gait)
- e) The soldiers ..... a fierce battle to capture the (fort/ fought)

**Test 03**

(10 marks)

**Match A with B. To find the following for what do you refer to**

- | A                                  | B           |
|------------------------------------|-------------|
| a) The day and date of the month   | .....5..... |
| b) Record of attendance            | .....       |
| c) The meaning of a word           | .....       |
| d) Record of personal daily events | .....       |
| e) The time of a train or bus      | .....       |
| f) A life story                    | .....       |

**B**

1. Register
2. Biography
3. Dictionary
4. Diary
5. Calendar
6. Time-table

**Test 04**

(10 marks)

**Read the following poem and answer the question given below**

**Blue star and Gold**

While walking through the trams and cars  
I chanced to look at the sky,  
And saw that it was full of stars!  
Through any single vacant spot.  
With any care, have stuck a pin  
So starry – sown! A man would not,  
And some were shining furiously  
And some were big and some were small;  
But all were beautiful to see.  
Blue stars and gold! A sky of grey!  
The air between a velvet pall!  
I could not take my eyes away!  
And there I sang this little psalm  
because I was  
Most awkwardly!  
Between a car and tram!

- a) Where was the poet when he observed the stars?  
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- b) Give three adjectives that describes the stars in verse 3
  - i. ....
  - ii.....
  - iii.....
- c) Write the number of the verse which justifies the words "it was full of stars"
 

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- d) Write the line that is best describing how fascinated the poet was by seeing the sky full of stars
 

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- e) Find and adverb in stanza 3
 

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**Test 05**

(10 marks)

**Write about 50 words on one of the following topics.**

- a) 'water' the precious gift of nature.
- b) Value of 'trees'
- c) 'mobile phones' advantages and disadvantages

**Test 06**

(10 marks)

**Write the following sentences in passive voice.**

- a) Famers dried the chillies in the sun.
 

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- b) The teacher discussed the question paper after the test.
 

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- c) Sri Lankans celebrate the new year in April.
 

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- d) Nimali will sing a Tamil song at the cultural festival.
 

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- e) We are answering the English paper now.
 

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**Test 07**

(10 marks)

**Test 08**

(10 marks)

**Read the following news item and answer the questions given below it.**

The Yala National Park which was closed to the public due to the drought and as a measure of safety for the animals was re-opened recently.

As part of the opening ceremony, 200 varieties of plants were planted in the area by children from nearby schools.

During the period the park had been closed, the Department of wild life conservation had carried out many activities for the improvement of the park.

Prominent among them were a newly constructed library and 10 large tanks providing water for the animals within the park were also improved along with many other improvements to the landscape. The Yala National Park is spread over an area of 241370 acres.

It is said to have 42 varieties of animals, 282 varieties of birds, 40 varieties of butterflies, 27 varieties of fish, 48 varieties of reptiles, 14 varieties of amphibians and 280 varieties of trees in the park.

- a) What is the extent of the Yala National Park?  
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- b) Why was the park closed to the public? Give two reasons.  
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- c) Who planted 200 varieties of plants as a part of the opening ceremony?  
.....
- d) What are the activities carried out by the wild life conservation Department to improve the park?  
.....
- e) How many varieties of birds live here?  
.....
- f) How many varieties of reptiles live here?  
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- g) How many varieties of trees are there in this park?  
.....
- h) Name two other National Park in Sri Lanka.  
.....
- i) Which National Park is famous for birds?  
.....
- j) Explain the meanings of this word.

Drought : .....

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Read the following page taken from a dictionary and answer the questions given below.

<p><b>lus'tily</b> <i>adv.</i> <b>lus'tiness</b> <i>n.</i> [O.E. <i>lust</i>. pleasure.]</p> <p><b>lustre</b> <i>lus'tēr</i>, <i>n.</i> 1 gloss, brightness. 2 splendour. 3 renown.</p> <p><b>lus'trous</b> <i>adj.</i> bright, shining. [Fr.-L. <i>ālustre</i>. to shine.]</p> <p><b>lustr</b>. See <b>lust</b>.</p> <p><b>lute</b> <i>lōō</i>, <i>lū</i>, <i>n.</i> an old stringed instrument shaped like a half pear. [Arabic <i>al</i>, the 'ud, wood, lute.]</p> <p><b>luxury</b> <i>luk'shū-rī</i>, <i>n.</i> 1 free indulgence in costly pleasures. 2 anything rare and delightful. 3 something pleasant but not necessary:-<i>pl. lux'uries.</i></p> <p><b>luxū'riant</b> (<i>lug-zūr'</i>) <i>adj.</i> 1 very free in growth. 2 over-rich in ornament.</p> <p><b>luxu'riance</b>, <b>luxū'riancy</b> <i>ns.</i></p> <p><b>luxū'riantly</b> <i>adv.</i></p> <p><b>luxū'riate</b> <i>v.i.</i> 1 to be luxuriant. 2 to live luxuriously. 3 to revel (in) :- <i>pr. p. luxu'riating.</i></p> <p><b>luxū'rious</b> <i>adj.</i> supplied with luxuries.</p> <p><b>luxū'riously</b> <i>adv.</i> <b>luxū'riousness</b> <i>n.</i> [O.Fr. <i>luxurie</i>-L. <i>luxus</i>, excess.]</p> <p><b>lychee</b>, <b>litchi</b>, <b>lichee</b> <i>lī'chē</i>, <i>lē'chē</i>, <i>n.</i> a Chinese fruit, with edible pulp [Chinese <i>li-chi</i>.]</p>	<p><b>lychgate</b>. Same as <b>lichgate</b>.</p> <p><b>lying</b>. See <b>lie</b><sup>1,2</sup>.</p> <p><b>Lyme disease</b> <i>līm dīz-ēz'</i>, <i>n.</i> a viral disease transmitted by ticks. [Discovered in Lyme, Connecticut U.S.A.]</p> <p><b>lymph</b> <i>līmf</i>, <i>n.</i> 1 a colourless or yellowish fluid in animal bodies. 2 a vaccine.</p> <p><b>lymphat'ic</b> <i>adj.</i> 1 of lymph. 2 sluggish.- <i>n.</i> a vessel which conveys the lymph. [L. <i>lymphā</i>, water.]</p> <p><b>lynch</b> <i>līnch</i>. <i>-sh</i>, <i>v.t.</i> to condemn and put to death without the usual forms of law. [William Lynch of Virginia (18th cent.)]</p> <p><b>lynx</b> <i>līngks</i>, <i>n.</i> a catlike animal noted for its sharp sight.</p> <p><b>lynx-eyed</b> <i>adj.</i> sharp-sighted. [Gk.]</p> <p><b>lyre</b> <i>līr</i>, <i>n.</i> musical instrument like harp.</p> <p><b>lyric</b> (<i>līr'-</i>) <i>n.</i> 1 a lyric poem. 2 (in <i>pl.</i>) the words for song.</p> <p><b>lyrical</b> (<i>līr'-</i>) <i>adj.</i> 1 (of poetry; also <b>lyr'ic</b>) expressing the individual emotions of the poet. 2 expressing great enthusiasm.</p> <p><b>lyre bird</b> <i>n.</i> an Australian bird having the tail-feathers of the male arranged in a form like that of a lyre. [Fr.-L. <i>lyra</i>-Gk.]</p>
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- a) What is a lynx?  
.....
- b) What is the musical instrument mentioned here?  
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- c) What does a lute look like?  
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- d) What are the adjectives of the following nouns?  
Luxury ..... luster .....
- e) Where do you find the following?  
A lychee ..... A lyre bird .....
- f) Give single words for the following expressions
  - a. Free indulgence in costly pleasures: .....
  - b. Supplied with luxuries: .....
- g) Who transmits lyme disease?  
.....
- h) Complete the following sentence.  
Lyrical poetry expresses individual ..... of the .....

i) What is the Latin word that gives the meaning of "excess"?

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j) What is the Latin word that gives the meaning of "water"?

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**Test 10**

(10 marks)

**Write on any one of the following using about 200 words.**

a) Write a folk story and state briefly why you like it.

b) Write about a book you have read recently.

Include the following

Title and the author

Favorite character or characters

Why you like the book

c) Write an article to the nature magazine describing the sinharaja forest.

Include the following

Its importance

Location and extent

Plants and animals and its natural beauty

The responsibility of the visitors.