## PROVINCIAL DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION NORTHERN PROVINCE

## English Language - I

Second Term Examination - 2022
Grade 10
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Answer ALL questions on this paper itself

## Test 1

Match the following signs with meanings given below. Put the correct letter in the boxes given. The first one is done for you. ( 5 marks)

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a. Danger
b. Men at work
c. No smoking
d. Slippery
e. No entry
f. Disabled

## Test 2

Fill in the blanks in the following invitation 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. ( 5 marks )

| Invitation <br> The Literary Association of Jaffna Hindu College <br> (1). ......cordially........................invites Mr. E.J.Lailithan, <br> the (2) .........................of LRS Company as the (3) $\qquad$ Guest to deliver a (4) $\qquad$ <br> on " Improving English Through Literature" at the festival of Literature <br> which will be (5) ................. on <br> (6) ..................November 2022 <br> from $8.00 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$ to $1.00 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$ at the main hall. | (a) speech <br> (b) Chief <br> (c) $20^{\text {th }}$ <br> (d) coordinator <br> (e) cordially <br> (f) held |
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## Test 3

Study the picture carefully and complete the paragraph by filling the blanks. The first one is done for you. ( 5 marks)


| boy |
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| closed |
| living |
| picture |
| father's |
| chair |
| family |
| dog |
| happy |
| table |
| flower |

This is a nice picture of a 1 . family. We can see a mother, a father, a little girl and a $2 . \ldots \ldots . .$. . They are in the 2) $\qquad$ room. The girl is sitting on a 3). $\qquad$ I can see a 4) $\qquad$ in front of the boy and a cat is 5) ..................... beside 6) .....................chair. There is a 7) .................... hanging on the wall. The windows are 8) $\qquad$ There are some books kept on the 9) $\qquad$ There is a big 10) $\qquad$ vase in the picture. I can say this is a 11). $\qquad$ family.

## Test 4

Fill in the blanks by using the correct prepositions given in the box. The first one is done for you.
about, at, on, from, in, to, (5 marks )

1. I am leaving on Saturday.
2. I always feel tried ............... the evening.
3. He got up $\qquad$ 6 o' clock in the morning.
4. We borrowed the bikes $\qquad$ our uncle.
5. They are going $\qquad$ Canada for their holidays.
6. I have two colour pens. What $\qquad$ You?

## Test 5

Here are some entries from Ranjith's dairy with the comments he made. Match the entries with the comments by the relevant letters in the pace provided. The first one is done for you. (5marks )

| Saturday $1^{\text {st }}$ October <br> 1.I went to watch the film " Ponniyin <br> Chelvan" with my friends. | d |
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| Sunday $2^{\text {nd }}$ October <br> 2. Helped mom to prepare lunch |  |
| Monday $3^{\text {rd }}$ October <br> My class teacher asked me to rewrite the <br> article. |  |
| Tuesday $4^{\text {th }}$ October <br> Had hot arguments with my friends |  |
| Wednesday $5^{\text {th }}$ October <br> My mom scolded me for getting wet. |  |
| Thursday $66^{\text {th }}$ October <br> I met two of my childhood friends |  |

Comments
a) I wrote a few facts in it. So I wanted to include some more.
b) It was heavy raining and I forgot to take my umbrella.
c) It was so funny and we shared our memories.
d) I enjoyed the film with my friends.
e) Finally we came to agreement with the help of the class teacher.
f) It was an interesting experience for me.

## Test 6

Your school is going to celebrate a national festival at your school .
Write a notice to put up at the notice board in your school to invite all people in your school to attend the celebration. Include the following. ( Use about $40-50$ words ) ( 5 marks )

Date, Time, Venue, The Chief Guest, The invitees.
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Test 7
Read the text and answer the questions given below. ( 5 marks )
The most beautiful humming birds are found in the West Indies and South America. The crest of the tiny head of one of these birds shines like a sparkling crown of coloured light. The shades of colour that adorn its breast are equally brilliant. As the bird flits from one flower to another, it looks more like a bright flash of sunlight than it does a living being. You ask, why are they called humming birds? It is because they make a soft, humming noise by the rapid motion of their wings-a motion so rapid, that as they fly, you can hardly see that they have wings.

One day when walking in the woods, I found the nest of one of the smallest humming birds. It was about half the size of a very small hen's egg, and it was attached to a twig no thicker than a steel knitting needle. It seemed to have been made of cotton fibres and was covered with the softest bits of leaf and bark. It had two eggs in it, and each was about as large as a small sugarplum. When you approach the spot where one of these birds has built its nest, you need to be careful.
The mother bird will dart at you and try to peck you. Its sharp beak may hurt you. The poor little thing knows no other way of defending its young, and instinct teaches it that you might carry off its nest if you find it.
Underline the correct answer

1. The birds are called humming birds because
a) their wings make a soft noise by the motion
b) their beaks make a soft humming noise by their voice.
c) their legs make a soft humming noise by their movements.
2. According to the text the writer found
a) no eggs in the nest
b) two eggs in the nest
c) three eggs in the nest.
3. The egg was
a) as large as a hen's egg.
b) as large as a sugarplum
c) as large as a crow's egg.
4. Sparkling means:
a) shining brightly with flashes of light.
b) darkness with the flashes of light
c) dimmed with the flashes of light
5. The most suitable title for this text is
a) Humming birds
b) Brilliant birds
c) Sparkling crown

Test 8
Write a paragraph on any one of the following topics. Use about $50-60$ words. ( 5 marks)
a). How I help my parents during weekends
b). How we should behave in our schools
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## Test 9

Given below a letter written by a student to his father. Fill in the blanks using the words given in brackets. The first one is done for you. ( 5 marks)

Our class teacher has (1). arranged (arranged/ arrange ) to take us to "Cashorina beach" in Karainagar on $15^{\text {th }}$ November 2022 (2) $\qquad$ ( in/ by ) bus. We shall be starting early in the morning. On our way we expect to visit " Karainagar Sivan Kovil" ( 3) $\qquad$ (two/too). A friend of our teacher from Karainagar will provide our lunch. We shall be back in the same evening before eight. Nearly all my classmates are going. Therefore, kindly give me (4) $\qquad$ ( permission/ admission) to join the trip. I will take good (5) $\qquad$ ( careful/ care) of myself. If you agree, please send me Rs.2000/= for my bus ( fair/fare ) and other expenses. Thank you.

Test 10
Change the following sentences in the active voice into passive voice. The first one is done for you. ( 5 marks)

1. Ragu cleans these rooms everyday.

## These rooms are cleaned everyday by Ragu.

2. My friend bought a new frock.
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3. They are building some new houses near the river.
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4. We make butter from milk.
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5. Somebody has stolen my car.
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6. They have painted the door.

## Test 11

Fill in the blanks with the words given in the box. The first one is done for you. ( 7 marks)

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take , missed , tell , dishonest , fair, end, low, already ,
told , would, returned, scored, full, landed,all, about
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Jill was walking to her class slowly. She was worried (i)___about__ the History test she would have to (ii) ___ that morning. As she was reaching the classroom, a piece of paper suddenly fluttered down and (iii) $\qquad$ near her feet. As Jill glanced down at the paper, her heart nearly (iv) $\qquad$ a beat. It was the History test paper complete with answers !

Jill's very first thought was not to( v) $\qquad$ anyone about what she had found. She would memorize (vi) ___ the answers and do extremely well in the test. After some hard thinking, however, she knew that it would be a very (vii) ___ thing to do. Besides, it would not be (viii) $\qquad$ to her classmates. In the (ix) $\qquad$ , Jill returned the paper to her History teacher, Miss James."Thanks, Jill. I have been searching high and ( x ) $\qquad$ for it," said the teacher.
"I...I've read all the questions already Miss James," Jill confessed.Miss James( xi) $\qquad$ her not to worry as she would think of new questions for the test. Jill's heart sank. She was half hoping that the test (xii) $\qquad$ be cancelled. Nevertheless, she did her best in the new test later that day.

A few days later, the test papers were (xiii) $\qquad$ to the class. To her pleasant surprise, Jill discovered that she had ( xiv) $\qquad$ eighty marks."You know something," she told her friends. "I could easily have scored (xv) ___ marks if I had cheated on this test. But I wouldn't be as pleased as I am now with the eighty marks I obtained."

## Test 12

Complete the following sentences using the parts of sentences given in the box. The first one is done for you.

1. If I am late this evening, don't wait for me.
2. Do you mind
3. If I have time
4. If you can come back home early
5. Turn the television off
6. If you don't want to go out tonight $\qquad$

| I will visit you. | we can have lunch together. |
| :--- | :--- |
| if you don't watch it. | we can stay at home. |
| don't wait for me. | if I close the window? |

## Test 13

Fill in the blanks in the following text using the words given in the box.( 5marks)
drank, farmer, uninviting, his, milk, was, near, away, the, hungry, mansion, realized, blade, milking
A man was walking along a country road. He was chewing a (1) .......................... of grass because he (2) $\qquad$ hungry. He saw a (3) milking a cow in (4) compound. The man sat (5) $\qquad$ the farmer and watched the (6) being done. The farmer (7) ..................................... that the man was (8) ...................................... and offered him some (9) .................................... which was raw and (10).................................... . However, the hungry man (11) ............................ the milk and went (12)................................ . After a few days, (13) farmer was invited to the (14) $\qquad$ of a rich man. The hungry man who drank the farmer's milk was none other than the richest man in the country who had got lost while walking in the countryside.

## Test 14

Thefollowing bar graph shows the favourite food items of grade 10 students of St.John's College, Jaffna. Study the graph and write a description about it. Use about 100 words. The following words /phrases will help you. ( 10 marks)

Most favourite, less favourite, less than, more than,

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## Test 15

Read the story and answer the questions given below. ( 8 marks)
There lived a heron by a big lake. He used to catch fish and eat them. But he had become old and could not catch fish like before. He went without food for many days together.
"I have to think of a plan. Otherwise I won't live for long," thought the heron. Soon he came out with a clever plan. The heron sat at the water's edge looking depressed and thoughtful. In the same lake lived a crab who was friendly and thoughtful. As he went past, he noticed how the heron looked and asked him, "Why are you looking depressed my friend?"
"What can I say," said the heron in a sad voice. "Something terrible is going to happen." "What is that?" asked the crab anxiously.
"When I was on my way here this morning, I heard an astrologer say that there will be no rains in these parts for the next twelve years. The lake will dry up and we will all die. I am quite old. It does not matter if I die. But you all are so young. There is so much for you to see and enjoy," said the heron.

The crab went to the fishes in the lake and told them what the heron had told him. They were all filled with fear. "O no! What do we do? We will all die." they cried.
"There is a very big lake some distance from here. I can take you all there one by one." offered the heron. All the fishes were comforted and they agreed to be carried to the bigger lake one by one. Every day, the heron would fly the fishes one by one. He would hold one gingerly between his long beak and fly away. But instead of taking them to any lake, he would land on a rock some distance away and eat them. Then he would rest till evening and return to the lake.

After some days, the crab went up to the heron. "You have been taking the fishes to the other lake. When will you take me?" he asked.

The heron thought to himself, "I am tired of eating fish. Crab meat should be a pleasant change." The heron agreed to take the crab to the other lake.
But the crab was too large for the heron to carry in his beak. So the crab climbed on to the heron's back and they started the journey. After a while, the crab grew impatient.
"How far is the lake?" he asked the heron.
"You fool," laughed the heron. "I am not taking you to any lake. I am going to dash you against those rocks and eat you like I ate all those fishes."
"I am not a fool to allow you to kill me," said the crab.

He held the heron's neck in his powerful claws and strangled the wicked heron to death.
1.Say whether the following statements are "True" or "False". Put a cross ( x ) in the relevant column.

|  | True | False |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| (i) Heron had become young and he could hunt fish easily. |  |  |
| (ii) Heron planned to move to a new lake. |  |  |
| (iii) Heron ate fishes one by one without taking them to the new lake. |  |  |
| (iv) All the fishes were afraid of dying |  |  |

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\text { ( } 4 \times 1 / 2=2 \text { marks })
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2. Complete the following statements .
(a). The heron pretended to accept the death as $\qquad$
(b). Instead of taking the fishes to the new lake the heron $\qquad$
3. Read the story and find a word which has the same meaning as the following.
a) Extremely bad - $\qquad$
b) in a state of unhappiness - $\qquad$
4. Underline the best title for this story.
a) The old heron
b) The clever crab
c) The fishes and the crab (1 mark)
5. Write the lines which say that the heron was so cunning.

## Test 16

Write on one of the following. Use about 150 words.
a. Write a speech on "Let's control vandalism"
b. Write a newspaper article on "How do we keep our environment friendly"

