



YEAR END TEST - 2016

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GRADE 10

ENGLISH I

ONE HOUR

- Answer all questions on this paper itself.

1. Fill in the blanks in the following dialogue using the words given in the box.

a). today b). many c). think d). about e). course f). time

Yoga, Rasuni, Ganeshan, Sazi and Gamika had some free time at school to have a discussion among themselves. Let's read their dialogue.

- Gamika : Hey, sazi you look very relaxed. What's up?
 Sazi : I am. We have some free time today.
 Rasuni : Wow, great! Then we can play some games, can't we Yoga?
 Yoga : of..... we can. I'd love to have some free
 Ganeshan : Freedom is valuable but there are more valuable things.
 Yoga : What? I can't find anything more valuable than freedom.
 Sazi : How wealth?
 Gamika : No, it is not. It is s temporary thing. I..... health is more valuable than wealth.
 Ganeshan : How about nature as a whole?
 Rusuni : In a way nature covers things and we can say it is important.
 Ganeshan : Well, I think that we value most depends on how we look at it. (5 marks)

2. Read the following story and fill in the blanks using the words given in the box. There is one extra word.

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One day, a dog with a piece of meat in his mouth, was crossing a plank a stream. As he walked along, he looked the water and there he saw his reflection. He thought this was another dog carrying a piece of meat; and he felt he would like have both pieces, his own and the other dog's. So he snapped the reflection the water, and of course, as he opened his mouth, the piece of meat fell out and dropped into the stream. Thus instead of gaining anything he lost what he already had. (5 marks)

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7. Read the following text and answer the questions.

The crow and the pitcher

One day in summer a crow, which had been flying a long distance, was almost dying of thirst. As there had been no rain for weeks, there were no pools of water and all the streams had run dry. At least, near a house he spied a pitcher of water. 'Hurrah!' he cried, 'I am saved'. Full of joy, he flew down and hopped towards the pitcher; but he found the water so low in it that he could not get a drink. Moreover the jug was not large enough to allow him to hop down inside. First he tried to break the pitcher with his beak, but found he was unable to do so. Next he tried to over turn it, but this was too much for his strength. Then a clever idea came into his head. Seeing some pebbles lying near, he picked them up in his beak, one by one, and dropped them in to the pitcher. Little by little, the water rose until it came within his reach and he was able to drink. A thing may be difficult to obtain; if we think and try hard we may be able to get it.

1. Why was the crow thirsty?
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2. Why could he not find water?
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3. How did he feel when he saw the water pitcher?
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4. Why was he unable to drink the water in the pitcher?
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5. Why was he unable to hop down the pitcher?
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(5 marks)

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Padma loves fruits but Sanath doesn't. He is really fond of eating
 eats fruits and he thinks that is great. Padma's
 Both of them prefer
 He never
 Padma : Hay! Shall we eat a fruit salad?
 Sanath : Not I hate fruits.
 Padma : Really! Then what do you prefer?
 Sanath : I love to eat bread. I have bread for breakfast every morning.
 Padma : Oh! They are really bad.
 Sanath : My favourite food is pizza
 Padma : I love fruits Mangos, Bananas, Apples. Eating fruits are more healthier.
 Sanath : Who said that ?
 Padma : My mother.
 Sanath : What about an ice-cream?
 Padma : That's a good idea.

12. Given below is a conversation Padma had with Sanath. Complete the following passage with relevant words from the conversation. The first one is done for you.

(7 marks)

everyone makes mistakes sometimes.
 was the (13) Ship. The right one sailed (14) hour later. Well,
 and fished him out. Then (12) told him that a
 fell into the water. (10) some sailors saw what was (11)
 port. He (8) to jump onto the ship. (9) he
 that the ship was moving (7) away from the
 rushed anxiously to the (5) When he got there he (6)
 time. When he (3) that his ship was leaving (4)
 (1) taking photos. He had completely (2) about his
 A tourist was once on a holiday cruise to India. He was looking at all the sights and

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forgoten,	soon,	tred,	wrong,	cagerly,
luckyly,	unfortunatly,	saw,	realized,	

11. Read the following paragraph and fill in the blanks using the words given below.



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TWO HOURS

ENGLISH II

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9. Underline the mistakes in the letter and rewrite the most appropriate word in the blank.

Dear Anne,
 I'm very lucky. I has good students who are motivated. There's just one problems, sometimes they doesn't stay on the task. For example last week I want them to practice some vocabulary in an game. They got so exciting that they stopped doing it. I wish they could work hard with me.

Lucia

- 1) have
- 2)
- 3)
- 4)
- 5)
- 6)

(5 marks)

10. Fill in the blanks of the following announcement using the given words in the box.

during, since, from, for, within

Your attention please. This announcement is to all students,
 This is to inform you that the library of the school will be closed
 three days, due to the book shortage last
 month. You're advised to return all the books borrowed from the library
 these 3 days. No books will be issued this period starting
 November 2016.

The Librarian

(5 marks)

8. Write a short paragraph on one of the following. Use about 50-60 words.

1. How I will look after my parents.
2. The most valuable thing in the world.

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(5 marks)

16. Write on one of the following topics. Use about 150 – 200 words.

- Write an article to your school magazine on the worst natural disaster you have heard in the 21st century.

Include

When and where it happened

Damage caused

People affected

How people reacted (government)

- Write a speech to be made at the assembly on "Animal of Extinction".
- Continue the story

One day a poor man

- Complete the dialogue

Neesha: What a lovely garden! There are so many kinds of plants here. Do you have enough time to engage in these activities?

Nadeeka :

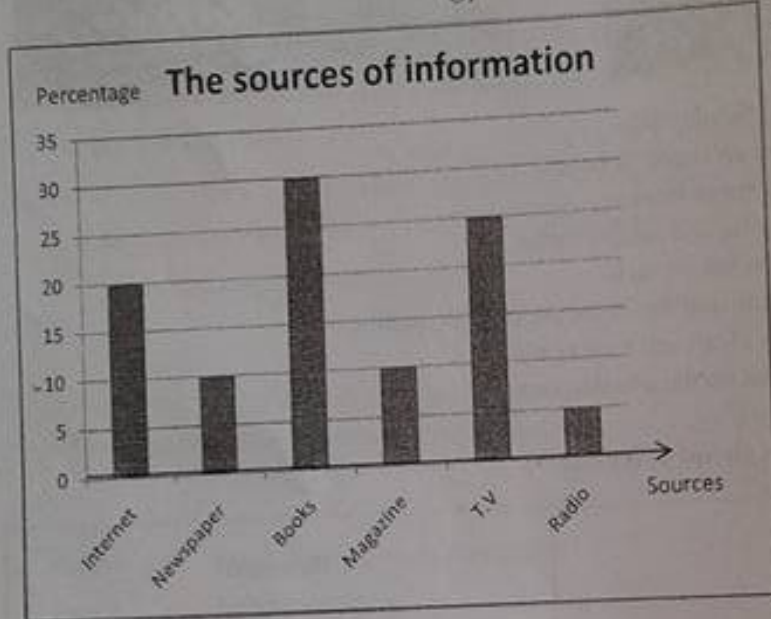
(15 marks)

14. You had an exhibition in your school recently. Write a letter to a friend abroad describing the event. Including the following.

- The organizers
- The purpose
- The exhibits
- Response from the audience
- The sponsors.

Use about 100 words.

Or



following words may help you.

- most of the students ...
- the majority of ...
- lowest number of ..
- most popular ...
- less popular than ...
- equal ...
- equally ...

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(10 marks)

13. Study the two pictures given and select the sentences which describe each picture. Write the correct letter in the relevant column.

Picture A



Picture B



- a. This is a picture of a Sunday fair.
- b. Most of the items are arranged in boxes.
- c. This is a picture of a super market.
- d. There are people buying and selling items.
- e. All the items are arranged on racks.
- f. This place is very clean and the items are of high quality.
- g. This place is not very clean and systematic.
- h. The fruits are arranged on the wooden boxes.
- i. Shopping here is very easy.
- j. This place sells items almost every day.

Picture A	Picture B

(5 marks)

3. Study the picture and fill in the blanks in the passage.



This is a picture of a dining room. There are four children sitting around the table with their aunt. They are having their deserts after the meal. Their pet cat is the table and the two girls are laughing at it. Their parents are some magazines seated near to the dinning All of seem to be very happy

(5 marks)

4. Match the clues with the topics. Write the correct letter in the box provided.

Clues

• This gives the news of a newspaper briefly.	a
• This notice informs the death of a person.	
• This person writes articles to the newspaper.	
• This gives the astrological forecast for the weak.	
• These are titles of newspaper articles.	
• TV, Radio, Newspapers, magazines and web sites are	

Topics

a). Front page
b). Horoscope
c). Sources of information
d). Obituary
e). journalist
f). Head line

(5 mark)

5. Read the following invitation and complete the note.

Invitation

The principal, staff and the students of
Nihwala Central College, Kandy

cordially invite you to their

ANNUAL CONCERT

on 1st of December 2016

at the Hindu Cultural Hall

at 2.00 p.m

The Chief Guest will be

Mr. Victor Rathnayake

the famous musician.

All are invited!

Organizing Committee

Dear mother,

Our annual concert will be held on at

..... It will begin at

I'm taking part in the country dance. Mr. Victor Rathnayake, the is

the Please come with sister.

Chandima

(5 mark

6. You received the following note from your friend. Write a suitable reply using 40-50 words.

Navindi,

I've organized a surprise party for my brother. I've already decorated the house and made the sandwiches. There is much more to do. Come to help me.

Iroshini