

Governorate: South Batinah

ENGLISH LANGUAGE

GRADE NINE BASIC

Semester Two – 2nd Session

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| Name | | | |
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Write your answers on the Test Paper

Time: 2 hours

Pages: 10

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| TEST SCORES | LISTENING | 10 | |
| | GRM/VCB | 10 | |
| | READING | 10 | |
| | WRITING | 10 | |
| | TOTAL | 40 | |

LISTENING 1 (Items 1-5)**[5 marks]**

You are going to hear five people speaking. **Where** are they talking?
Listen and for each item, shade in the bubble under the correct option..

| | airport | classroom | hospital | restaurant | school | supermarket |
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LISTENING 2 (Items 6-10)**[5 marks]**

You are going to hear a person speaking about his visit to **London's main shopping centre**. Listen and for each item, write a short answer (**not more than FOUR WORDS**).

6. When did he visit London's main shopping centre?

7. What can you buy from Harrods?

8. When is Petticoat Lane market open?

9. . Where is Portobello road market?

10. How can you go to Portobello road market?

**LISTENING
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GRAMMAR/VOCABULARY 1 (Items 1-5)**[2½ marks]**

For each item, read the definition and the example.

Then complete the word in the space provided.

You are given the first letter(s) of the word. Make sure your spelling is correct.

1. (Noun) a room, set of rooms or building where people work, usually sitting at desks.
e.g. Come into my **off** _ _ _ if you want me to help you.
2. (Adjective) liking to meet other people, liking their company and being friendly towards them.
e.g. She was always happy and **outg** _ _ _ _ .
3. (verb) To feel happy or pleasure or satisfaction .
e.g. **en**_ _ _ playing football with your friends.
4. (adverb) to do something in a fast way or in a short time.
e.g. "he looked **qui**_ _ _ _ through the magazine"
5. (Noun) used for sending messages by post without an envelope, especially one that has a picture on one side.
e.g. Send us a **post** _ _ _ of your country Oman.



GRAMMAR/VOCABULARY 2 (Items 6-10)

[2½ marks]

Complete the text. Use the words in the box.

Write **ONE** word in each space. (There are five extra words in the box.)

My brother is six years older **(6)** _____ me. He works in a school. Sometimes I take **(7)** _____ car when I want to go out . He is trying to save some money **(8)** _____ he is going to get married this year. People say I look like my brother. We both have brown eyes **(9)** _____ dark hair. However, we are different in character. He is very quite and I am **(10)** _____ sociable than him.

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GRAMMAR/VOCABULARY 3 (Items 11-20)

[5 marks]

Complete the unfinished words in the text . Make sure you spell each word correctly. **EXAMPLE:**

“Good morning! My name’s Ahmed Al-Zedjali and I’m a student at a school in Muscat. I’m in Grade Six. My favourite subject is Maths.”

TEXT 1 (11-20)

My summer **hol**_____ has a little bit of everything. I like sitting **o**_____ the beach with a number **o**_____ books, but then I **g**_____ bored and I need to **d**_____ something. I like exploring new **pla**_____ especially on foot, and walking around in **sh**_____, restaurants and **muse** _____. I like eating local **fo**_____. Some of **th**_____ are as delicious as ours.

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READING 1 (Items 1-4)

[4 marks]

Match the texts with the pictures. For each text, shade in the bubble under the correct option.

A.



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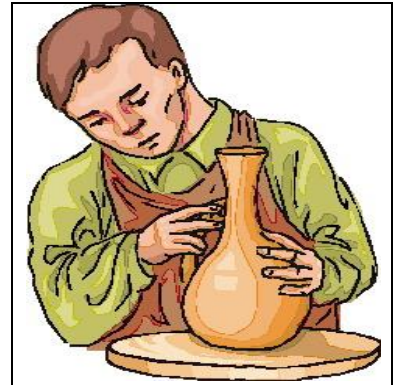
D.



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Pictures

| Texts | A | B | C | D | E | F |
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| 1 Old Omani women used to wear heavy silver bracelets called (Bangri Abu Njoom) around their arms . | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| 2 Potters use special clay to make small and big pots. They burn them and then decorate them with straight and curved lines. | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| 3 Omani men wear a traditional curved dagger called “Khanjar” in special occasions like weddings and Eids. It is a distinguishing feature of the Omani personality. | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| 4 This wooden box was used by Omani women to keep their belongings like clothes and jewelry. It is decorated by golden pins with round heads. | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |



READING 2 (Items 5-10)**[6 marks]**

Read the text. For each item, shade in the bubble next to the correct option.

Today, millions of people want to learn or improve their English but it is difficult to find the best method. Is it better to study in Britain or America or to study in your own country?

The advantages of going to Britain seem obvious. Firstly, you will be able to listen to the language all the time you are in the country. Everyone is using the language wherever you go. Another advantage is that you have to speak the language if you are with other people. In Oman, it is always possible, in the class, to speak Arabic if you want to and the learning is slower.

On the other hand, there are also advantages to staying at home to study. You don't have to make big changes to your life. As well as this, it is also a lot cheaper than going to Britain but it is never possible to achieve the results of living in the UK. If you have a good teacher in Oman, I think you can learn in a more concentrated way than being in Britain without going to a school.

In conclusion, I think that if you have enough time and enough money, the best choice is to spend some time in the UK. This is simply not possible for most people, so being here in Oman is the better option. The most important thing to do in this situation is to find opportunities to speak only English in class and to try to use English whenever possible outside the class.

5. The text is about.....
- The best way to learn English. How many people learn English English schools in England
6. The advantages of going to the UK to learn English.....
- The language schools are better. There are no Omanis in England. You will have to speak English more than your language.
7. One of the advantages of staying in your country to learn English.....
- The teachers aren't very good in Britain You have to work too hard in Britain. Your life can continue more or less as it was before
8. People who don't have a lot of time and money should.....
- Go to Kuwait to learn English. Learn English in Britain. Try to speak English in class.
- If you have enough money and time the better place to study English is in
9.
- Oman UAE UK
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WRITING 1

[5 marks]

Write a paragraph about **Burj Al Sahwa**. Use **ALL** the information in the box. Your writing should be correct and well-organized.

Burj Al Sahwa / Seeb

clock-tower open/ 1/1/1985 50m tall
four huge columns

8 beautiful mosaic-tile scenes/ 4 sides

1 underground passage

Connects Muscat ,Salalah, Nizwa ,Sur

WRITING 2

[5 marks]

Complete the following task. Write at least **60 words**.

Situation: You have a Kuwaiti ITC friend. He is interested in visiting Oman. He wants to know about the best place to visit. Write an email telling him about a best place he can visit and why? Your writing should be **clear** and **well-organized**

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