ENGLISH LANGUAGE TEST

GRADE SEVEN

Semester Two Session

Name		
School	Class	

Write your answers o	on the Test Paper
Time: 2 hours	Pages: 10

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

2015/2016

LISTENING 1 (Items 1-5)

(5 marks)

You are going to hear five people speaking. <u>What</u> are they talking <u>about</u>? Listen and for each item, shade in the bubble \bigcirc under the correct option.

	Chinese New Year	birthday	carnival	Eid	wedding	Omani National Day
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LISTENING 2 (Items 6-10)

You are going to hear story about Laith's sad memory. Listen and for each item, write a short answer (not more than FOUR WORDS).

6. What was the teddy bear's name?

7. When did Laith's family go on holiday to the beach? (season)

8. Where did Laith put his teddy bear after swimming?

9. What did Laith's family prepare on the beach?

10. Who played football with Laith?

(5 marks)

LISTENING SCORE 10

GRAMMAR/VOCABULARY 1 (Items 1-5)

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.

Example: (noun) a room where food is prepared and cooked *e.g. They keep the fridge in the* **kit** <u>c</u> <u>h</u> <u>e</u> <u>n</u>.

1. (a noun) a large area of salt water

e.g. We're going to swim in the **s**___ on Friday.

2. (adjective) opposite of sad

e.g. Mum and dad wished me " *ha____* birthday " on my birthday party.

- 3. (verb) made somebody die
 e.g. She kil___ a cat in a car accident.
- 4. (adverb) very quickly
 e.g. " Don't drive so f _ _ _."
- 5. (a noun) a very slow animal e.g. The tur___ won the race!

(2½ marks)

GRAMMAR/VOCABULARY 2 (Items 6-10)

For each item, shade in the bubble \bigcirc under the correct option. (There are five extra words in the box.)

The Titanic is a huge Ship that sailed to New	York ⁽⁶⁾ April 10 th , 1912.				
It carried around 2,200 passengers (7)	enjoyed the luxuries a lot.				
Unfortunately, this joyful journey didn't stay long. The Ship hit ⁽⁸⁾					
iceberg and sank slowly into ⁽⁹⁾ ocean. It will always be remembered					
for ⁽¹⁰⁾ fate and luxuries.					

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(2½ marks)

GRAMMAR/VOCABULARY 3 (Items 11-20)

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

EXAMPLE:

"Go<u>od</u> morning! M<u>y</u> name's Ahmed Al-Zedjali a<u>nd</u> I'm a stu<u>dent</u> at a sch<u>ool</u> in Muscat. I'm in Gr<u>ade</u> Six. My favo<u>urite</u> subject is Maths."

TEXT

Tigers are large beautiful ⁽¹¹⁾ wi cats with black and ⁽¹²⁾ ora stripes.
They live in $^{(13)}$ t forest. They eat $^{(14)}$ me and they hunt other animals $^{(15)}$
f food. A hundred years ago there ⁽¹⁶⁾ we 100,000 tigers in the ⁽¹⁷⁾ wo
Today, there are ⁽¹⁸⁾ on about 5,000 tigers left. They live in some ⁽¹⁹⁾
coun in Asia such ⁽²⁰⁾ a India, China, Indonesia and Russia.

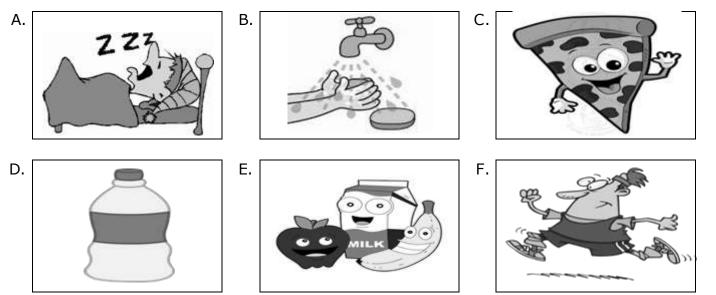
GRM/VCB	
SCORE	10

(5 marks)

READING 1 (Items 1-4)

(4 marks)

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



Texts

- Exercises build bones and muscles. For example, walking, running and playing different ball games are all good exercises for keeping fit.
- We need food to make our muscles strong. For example, eggs, meat, milk, fruits and vegetables are all important for our health.
- **3.** Our hands touch lots of things with germs on. Fortunately, we can wash away the germs with soap and water.
- It is very important to get enough sleep because our body needs rest. We need to sleep at least eight hours a day.

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READING 2 (Items 5-10)

Read the text. Then complete the task.

Most people get the flu about once a year during the winter or the "Flu Season". People suffering from the flu often get fever, a sore throat and might even develop cough. They feel so tired, that it is difficult for them to leave the bed. When we get the flu, we often take some medicines for a few days, and then we recover.

I think that there is no real cure for the flu other than getting a lot of rest and drinking a lot of water, hot drinks like tea, and fruit juice. Of course, we can take some medicines to help us get better, but these medicines do not actually fight the virus. They can bring down our temperature or make us stop coughing, but they do not kill the virus.

Moreover, there is a vaccine that can prevent people from getting the flu. Doctors advise young children and old people to get this vaccine. However, the flu virus changes from year to year. This makes it difficult to make a permanent vaccine.

To sum up, I think that the best way to fight the flu is drinking a lot of hot drinks during the "Flu Season".

(6 marks)

READING 2 (continued)

For each item, shade in the bubble \bigcirc next to the correct option.

5.	Mos	st people get the flu duri	e			
	0	winter	0	spring	0	summer
6.	Peo	ple having the flu suffer f	from			
	0	headache	0	sore throat	0	stomachache
7.	The	flu medicines can				
	0	kill the flu virus	0	fight the flu virus	0	reduce the body's temperature
8.	Doc	tors advise		to get the flu vaccine		
	0	young children and old people	0	students and teachers	0	fathers and mothers
9.	The	flu virus changes every_				
	0	month	0	season	0	year
10.	The	writer thinks that		is the best way	to figl	nt the flu virus.
	0	getting the flu vaccine	0	drinking hot drinks	0	taking the flu medicines
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READING SCORE 10

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WRITING 1

(4 marks)

Write a paragraph about a <u>mountain climber</u> called **Tenzing Norgay**. Use **ALL** the information in the box. Your writing should be correct and well-organized.

Tenzing Norgay				
Nepal 1914 /poor family	did not read or write			
looked after / family's animals	took them / mountain /for food			
in this way /learn climbing				
18 years / a porter/ 1953 climbed Mount Everest				
became famous/moved to India / te	each mountaineering/ died 1980			

Marker A	Marker B	Average

WRITING 2

(6 marks)

10

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

<u>Situation</u>: your friend Sami/Samia wants to visit Salalah. Write him/her a *letter* ,telling him/her **the best time to visit Salalah and why**.

Your writing should be *clear* and *interesting*.

Marker A Marker B Average	Marker A Marker B Average
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Grade Seven Listening Script (Items 1-10)

Listening 1 (Items 1-5)

- 1. My Family is preparing an amazing programme for the Eid. We are planning for a wonderful tour around the Sultanate.
- 2. Last summer, Mum and Dad took me to the carnival. We saw a procession of music and dancing. It was wonderful.
- 3. Last year, my granddad celebrated his 60th birthday. He wanted to climb a mountain. He invited my family to go with him.
- 4. The "Chinese New Year" is celebrated in China. The "Dragon Dance" is part of the celebration because dragons bring good luck.
- 5. All the Wilayats in Oman celebrate the "National Day". They organize wonderful traditional dances for both men and women.

Listening 2 (Items 6-10)

My name is Laiyh. When I was very young, I had a brown teddy bear. I called him "Bruno" and he had only one eye. I loved Bruno so much and I took him with me everywhere. One summer, my family went on a holiday to the beach. My uncle's family went with us, too. We prepared a good meal there. Then I went to play on the sand and swim in the sea with my cousins. After that, I put my teddy bear on a big rock and went to play football with my cousins. At the end of the day, we all left the beach, but we forgot Bruno. I couldn't sleep that night without my teddy bear. The next day, we went back to the beach to look for him, but we didn't find him. Fortunately, dad bought me a new teddy bear with two eyes and fur on its skin, but I couldn't forget my old Bruno. I'm still thinking about him.

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TOTAL MARKS: 40

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Not	Notes: One mark each. Responses must be indicated <u>clearly</u> .					

	LISTENING 2 (5 mks)	GRM/ VCB 1 (2.5 mks)
6.	Burno	1. s <u>ea</u>
7.	summer	2. ha <u>ppy</u>
8.	on a big rock	3. kil <u>led</u>
9.	a (good) meal	4. f <u>ast</u>
10.	his cousins	5. tur <u>tle</u>
and	es: One mark each. Complete accuracy in grammar spelling is not required, but answers must be rly and <u>convincingly</u> correct.	r <u>Notes</u> : Half-a-mark each. Spelling <u>must</u> be correct.

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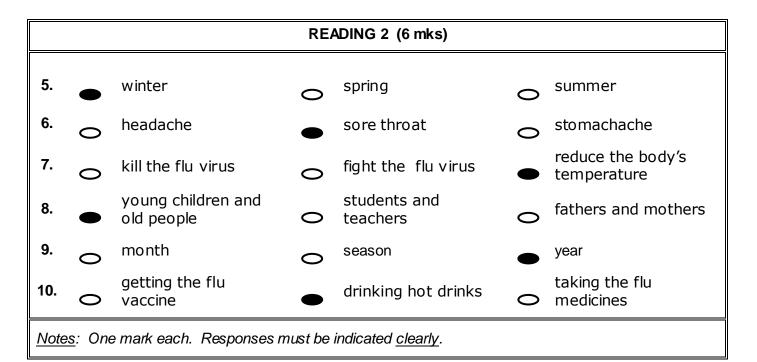
				GRN	I/ VCB 2 ((2.5 mks)				
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Notes: Half-a-mark each. Responses must be indicated <u>clearly</u> .										

GRM/ VCB 3 (5 mks)					
11. wi <u>ld</u>	16. we <u>re</u>				
12. ora <u>nge</u>	17. wo <u>rld</u>				
13. t <u>he</u>	18. on <u>ly</u>				
14. me <u>at</u>	19. coun <u>tries</u>				
15. f <u>or</u>	20. a <u>s</u>				
Notes: Half-a-mark each. Spelling must be correct, including grammatical endings.					

			READING 1	(4 mks)		
	Α	В	С	D	E	F
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2.	0	0	0	0		0
3.	0	•	0	0	0	0
4.		0	0	0	0	0
Notes: One mark each. Responses must be indicated <u>clearly</u> .						

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	WRITING 1 (4 mks)
4	 Presents all the information, fully and clearly. Writing is well-organised and coherent, with only minor language errors.
3	 Presents most of the information, clearly enough. Writing contains some noticeable language errors and sometimes lacks coherence.
2	 Manages to present only some of the information; important points are missing or unclear. Language contains frequent errors, some of which obscure meaning.
1	 A very feeble attempt at the task, presenting very little information. Language used is extremely limited and/or seriously distorted.
0	<u>No attempt at the task</u> : <u>EITHER</u> Irrelevant (Completely unrelated to the topic/ information provided) <u>OR</u> Just copied from the Q-paper <u>OR</u> Hardly any writing at all, or not written in English <u>OR</u> Complete nonsense

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	WRITING 2 (6 mks)
6	 Impact on intended reader(s) is very positive indeed. Writing clearly succeeds in achieving its purpose. Uses language which is very appropriate to reader and context. A good range of structures and vocabulary, with an excellent level of accuracy.
5	 Impact on intended reader(s) is <u>positive</u>. Writing succeeds to a large extent in achieving its purpose. Uses language which is appropriate to reader and context. A fair range of structures and vocabulary, with a good level of accuracy.
4	 Impact on intended reader(s) is <u>fairly positive</u>. Writing has reasonable success in achieving its purpose. There are clear attempts to use language appropriate to reader and context. Grammar and vocabulary are reasonably correct, though limited in range.
3	 Impact on intended reader(s) is <u>mixed</u>. Writing has partially achieved its main purpose, <u>but</u>: Some of the language used is inappropriate to reader and context. There is a noticeable lack of accuracy in the use of grammar and vocabulary.
2	 Impact on intended reader(s) is <u>rather negative</u>. Writing only has very limited success in achieving its purpose. There is little evidence of attempts to use appropriate language. Grammar/Vocabulary contain frequent serious errors.
1	 Impact on intended readers(s) is <u>very negative</u>. Writing clearly fails to achieve its intended purpose. There is no evidence of any attempt to use appropriate language. The language used is extremely limited and/or seriously distorted.
0	<u>No attempt at the task: EITHER</u> Irrelevant (Completely unrelated to the task/ instructions) <u>OR</u> Just copied from the Q-paper <u>OR</u> Hardly any writing at all, or not written in English <u>OR</u> Complete nonsense
closii of the	<u>1</u> : The task is to write a letter / an e-mail , so students <u>must</u> include a greeting at the start <u>and</u> a ng at the end. If they do not, they will lose marks. <u>PROCEDURE</u> : Each marker marks the <u>content</u> e-mail according to the Rating Scale — then, if either the greeting or the closing are <u>missing</u> , act one mark from the content-score.

Note 2: No marks should be awarded or deducted for the address. Any addresses should be ignored.