## ENGLISH LANGUAGE TEST

GRADE TEN
Semester One
First Session

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Write your answers on the Test Paper
Time: $2 \frac{1}{2}$ hours Pages: 16

| ELEMENT |  | Marks |  | Red Marker | Green Marker | Blue Checker |
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|  |  | Name |  | Name | Name |  |
| LISTENING | 15 |  |  |  |  |  |
| VOCABULARY | 5 |  |  |  |  |  |
| GRAMMAR | 5 |  |  |  |  |  |
| READING | 20 |  |  |  |  |  |
| WRITING | 15 |  |  |  |  |  |
| TOTAL | 60 |  |  |  |  |  |

## LISTENING 1 (Items 1-6)

You are going to listen to a radio interview between a reporter and Johnny Mills. Listen, and shade in the bubble $\bigcirc$ next to the correct option.

1. Wakeboarding is a sport that might $\qquad$ .
$\bigcirc$ be popular among teenagers
$\bigcirc$ be included in the
Olympics

- cause a lot of injuries

2. The wakeboarding rider is attached to $\qquad$ .
$\bigcirc$ a board
O another rider
$\bigcirc$ a speed boat
3. Johnny became a professional wakeboarding rider at the age of $\qquad$ .
$\bigcirc 13$
$\bigcirc 20$
0
25
4. This sport involves $\qquad$ .
$\bigcirc$ jumping over a boat $\bigcirc$ spinning in the air
5. Wakeboarding is classified as $\qquad$ sport.
O a traditional
O an extreme

- an Olympic

6. The next wakeboarding competition will be held in $\qquad$ .

- California
$\bigcirc$ Doha
$\bigcirc$ Dubai
$\square$


## LISTENING 2 (Items 7-11)

You are going to listen to Jack telling his story about Hurricane Harvey. Listen and for each item, write a short answer (not more than FOUR WORDS)
7. When did Hurricane Harvey happen? (year)
8. Which city did Harvey strike? (place)
9. What did Jack and his wife need to buy from the shop?
10. How many members of Tom's family were killed? (number)
11. How long did Jack and his wife stay in Oklahoma?

## LISTENING 3 (Items 12-15)

You are going to listen to four people speaking. Who are they?
Listen and for each item, shade in the bubble $\bigcirc$ under the correct option.
a jockey a detective a tourist a sports fan a survivor a volunteer
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13.(2)
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14.(3)

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$\bigcirc$
15.(4)

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| LISTENING |  |
| SCORE | 15 |
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## VOCABULARY 1 (Items 1-5)

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

Mother Gothel is a wicked (1) $\qquad$ in the well-known story Rapunzel. She is an (2) $\qquad$ woman whose skin is covered with wrinkles and spots. Throughout the story, she (3) $\qquad$ Rapunzel, the heroine, in a hidden tower. Mother Gothel pretends to be a (4) $\qquad$ mother while she is, in fact, evil and blames Rapunzel for every problem. The latest edition of Mother Gothel written by Serena Valentino will be (5) $\qquad$ in 2018.

1. $\bigcirc$ director
$\bigcirc$ character
$\bigcirc$ author
O publisher
2. $\bigcirc$ attractive
$\bigcirc$ amazing

- elderly
- awesome

3. $\bigcirc$ locks
$\bigcirc$ brings
$\bigcirc$ manages
$\bigcirc$ attaches
4. $\bigcirc$ caring

O cruel
$\bigcirc$ vicious
O scary
5. $\bigcirc$ predicted $\bigcirc$ protected $\bigcirc$ published $\bigcirc$ supported

## VOCABULARY 2 (Items 6-10)

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 cooked
e.g. They keep the fridge in the kit $\underline{c} \underline{h} \underline{e} \underline{n}$.
6. (adjective) huge and enormous
e.g. It was a mas___ wave that destroyed all the fishermen's boats.
7. (verb) to make something ready
e.g. I need to pre $\qquad$ a summary of my presentation.
8. (noun) a very strong wind
e.g. Last night's st _ _ _ damaged a lot of houses.
9. (adjective) having very little or no light
e.g. The room is very $\boldsymbol{d}_{\ldots} \__{\text {_ }}$. We can't see each other.
10. (verb) to save
e.g. The police helped to res $\qquad$ a family from the flood.


## GRAMMAR 1 (Items 1-5)

For each item, shade in the bubble $\bigcirc$ under the correct option.

Speaker A: Ammar, what ${ }^{(1)}$ $\qquad$ you done with your school project?

Speaker B: Actually, I have chosen the topic and then I looked (2) $\qquad$ some information.

Speaker A: Oh, that's good! What is your topic?
Speaker B: It ${ }^{(3)}$ $\qquad$ about the most important discoveries in the twenty first century.

Speaker A: That's great! How are you going to present it?
Speaker B: I haven't decided (4) $\qquad$ . What do you suggest, Mum?

Speaker A: You can think of writing an article or doing a presentation. Both are appropriate for your topic.

Speaker B: I guess writing an article is better (5) $\qquad$ doing a presentation as people can read it later.
has will already after than have then is for yet

| 1. | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
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| 2. | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| 3. | $\bigcirc$ | 0 | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | 0 | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| 4. | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| 5. | 0 | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |

## GRAMMAR 2 (Items 6-10)

Complete each sentence with ONE word only.
6. I $\qquad$ sitting in the café when you called.
7. Students are now more aware $\qquad$ their rights and responsibilities.
8. If you had left earlier, you $\qquad$ have caught the plane.
9. My brother hopes $\qquad$ be a football star.
10. She went to $\qquad$ Grand Mosque with her Dad.
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| GRAMMAR |  |
| SCORE | 5 |
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## READING 1 (Items 1-5)

Match the five texts on the left with the texts in the box. (There are two extra texts in the box.) Shade in the bubble $\bigcirc$ under the correct option.

1. The National Museum is closed until the end of this week.
2. "In Time" is a science fiction film. It is about people who stop getting old on their $25^{\text {th }}$ birthday.
3. My group decided to do some research about good citizenship practices.
4. Ann is 90 kg so she wants to lose weight and become healthier.
5. The school has announced a prize of RO 100 for the winners of the Story Writing Competition.
A. It's an interesting documentary about wild life. It makes you want to learn more about animals and their habitats.
B. Luckily, there is a fitness centre nearby with professional personal trainers.
C. It will open again next Sunday at 9 a.m. We apologize for any inconvenience caused.
D. The findings will be presented in a PowerPoint show during next week's class.
E. Participating students must think of an interesting plot, unusual settings and write at least 500 words.
F. This limited offer is valid for everyone until the end of this week.

G I would recommend it for the weekend. Have fun and enjoy your time!

| A | B | C | D | E | F | G |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | 0 | 0 | $\bigcirc$ | 0 |
| $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | 0 | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | 0 |
| $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | 0 | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | 0 | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | 0 |
| $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | 0 | $\bigcirc$ | 0 | $\bigcirc$ |



## READING 2 (Items 6-11)

Read the two texts. Then for each item, shade in the bubble $\bigcirc$ next to the correct option.

## TEXT 1

## Dear Editor,

As you know, car drifting has become quite an annoying issue in our community these days. It is frightening to see young drivers turning their cars around sharply, making loud screeching noises on our public roads. Young people believe that occasions such as Eids and weddings cannot be celebrated without car drifting. I am not a driver so I feel terrified when I see such young drivers putting their lives and others at risk. There must be strict action taken against such dangerous drivers.

I stay at home taking care of my children. It makes me angry when my babies cannot sleep because of the deafening noise caused by car drifting. I did think of calling the police but when I discussed this issue with my family, they suggested a national campaign against drifting with the involvement of local media. Therefore, we are requesting your newspaper to support this campaign by raising awareness about this dangerous practice. This campaign does not require any funding.

Yours,
Salma
6. Young people drift their cars to show their $\qquad$ $\bigcirc$ happiness $\bigcirc$ anger .
$\bigcirc$ annoyance
7. The writer is a $\qquad$ .
$\bigcirc$ good driver $\bigcirc$ house wife $\bigcirc$ reporter
8. Salma requested the editor to $\qquad$ .
$\bigcirc$ donate money $\bigcirc$ educate car drivers $\bigcirc$ contact the police
$\square$

## READING 2 (continued)

## TEXT 2

Dear Salma,

Thank you for your letter. I would like to inform you that the Royal Oman Police (ROP) has recently introduced new strict laws (RO 500 fine and three-month jail) to stop illegal drifting.

Our newspaper is committed to educating the public on this issue. We are working closely with the ROP and other organisations to set up special areas around the country where young drivers can practice drifting safely. These places will be open 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Young car drifters will no longer need to use roads as their playgrounds.

We belong to the same community and I strongly believe that we need to work together to stop illegal drifting. Personally, I had a terrible experience with drifting. Ten years ago, I lost the ability to walk in an awful accident caused by a careless driver. Therefore, I can assure you that our newspaper will fully support this campaign.

Yours,

The Editor
9. The punishment for illegal drifting is $\qquad$ .
$\bigcirc$ to be imprisoned $\bigcirc$ to pay money
0 both (prison and money)
10. According to the Editor, drifting on the roads will $\qquad$ .
$\bigcirc$ be controlled $\bigcirc$ get worse remain the same
11. The Editor is $\qquad$ .

- handicapped

O a careless driver

- a sports person


## READING 3 (Items 12-17)

Read the text. Then, complete the task.

When the BBC screened Pride and Prejudice, Jane Austen's novel, for the first time in 1995, it was watched by eighteen million people in Britain. Then it was viewed all over the world. Jane Austen herself could never have imagined this worldwide fame. Although she was very famous, she never travelled outside England.

She was born in 1775 in Hampshire on the south coast of England. She had five sisters and two brothers. Her father established a boarding school in his house. He taught English literature to boys. It is believed that Jane benefitted a lot from her father's library as she spent most of her time there reading books.

At the age of twenty, Jane began writing the First Impressions which was later known as Pride and Prejudice. This became her most popular novel. Only four of her six novels were published during her lifetime by Thomas Egerton. She died at the age of forty-one in 1817.

Two hundred years after Jane's death, her novels are famous all over the world. Some of them, have become bestsellers and have sold more than 35,000 copies a week. Jane's novels such as Pride and Prejudice, Emma, Persuasion, Sense and Sensibility and Mansfield Park were made into films and were awarded Oscars.

Jane's house has been turned into a museum and attracts around 200 visitors a day. There is a special website where Jane's work is discussed online by her fans from around the world.

The secret to Jane's success was her full and deep understanding of human relationships in addition to her sense of humour. This makes her works relevant even in the twenty first century.

## READING 3 (continued)

Task 1: For each item, write a short answer (not more than FOUR WORDS).
12. Where did Jane travel?
13. What was her father's job?
14. How many novels did she write?

Task 2: For each item, shade in the bubble $\bigcirc$ next to the correct option.
15. Jane's novels were first filmed by $\qquad$ .
$\bigcirc$ the BBC $\bigcirc$ Hollywood $\bigcirc$ Thomas Egerton
16. Jane decided to change the title of the First Impressions to $\bigcirc$ Pride and Prejudice $\bigcirc$ Mansfield Park

0 Sense and Sensibility
17. $\qquad$ of Jane's novel were published in her lifetime.

- Two
$\bigcirc$ Four
$\bigcirc$
Six


WRITING 1
Write at least 60 words on the following topic:
"Teenagers should participate in voluntary work"
Do you agree or not? Give your reasons.
Your writing should be well-organized and convincing.

| Marker A | Marker B | Average |
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## WRITING 2

Write a story of at least 100 words based on the following pictures.
You can use the words in the box to help you.
You can also put in more details to make your story lively and interesting.

| watch | collect | thunder storm | flood |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :--- |
| trap | receive | helicopter | donate |

(1)


## (3)


(5)

(2)

(4)

(6)


## WRITING 2 (continued)

## WRITING 2 (continued)

| Marker A | Marker B | Average |
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| LISTENING 1 (6 mks) |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1. <br> be popular among teenagers | be included in the Olympics | - cause a lot of injuries |
| 2. $\bigcirc$ a board | another rider | - a speed boat |
| 3. $\bigcirc 13$ | $\bigcirc 20$ | - 25 |
| 4. jumping over a boat | - spinning in the air | - $\begin{aligned} & \text { swimming in the } \\ & \text { water }\end{aligned}$ |
| 5. $\bigcirc$ a traditional | - an extreme | O an Olympic |
| 6. California | $\bigcirc$ Doha | Dubai |
| Notes: One mark each. Responses | t be indicated clearly. |  |

## LISTENING 2 ( 5 mks)

7. 2017/ two thousand and seventeen/ twenty seventeen
8. Texas
9. Torches
10. 3 members / Three members
11. 5 days/ Five days

Notes: (i) One mark each.
(ii) Complete accuracy in grammar \& spelling is not required, but answers must be clearly and convincingly correct.
(iii) In general, apply the 'not more than four words'. HOWEVER, use common sense for slightly longer, but obviously correct answers.

| LISTENING 3 (4 mks) |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | a jockey | a detective | a tourist | a sports fan | a survivor | a volunteer |
| 12. | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |  |
| 13. | 0 |  | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 14. | 0 | 0 | 0 |  | 0 | 0 |
| 15. | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

Notes: One mark each. Responses must be indicated clearly.

| VOCABULARY 1 (2.5 mks) |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1. $\bigcirc$ director | character | $\bigcirc$ author | $\bigcirc$ publisher |
| 2. $\bigcirc$ attractive | $\bigcirc$ amazing | elderly | $\bigcirc$ awesome |
| 3. locks | $\bigcirc$ brings | $\bigcirc$ manages | $\bigcirc$ attaches |
| 4. caring | $\bigcirc$ cruel | $\bigcirc$ vicious | $\bigcirc$ scary |
| 5. $\bigcirc$ predicted | $\bigcirc$ protected | - published | $\bigcirc$ supported |
| Notes: Half-a-mark each. Responses must be indicated clearly. |  |  |  |


| VOCABULARY 2 (2.5 mks) |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 6. | massive | 9. | dark |
| 7. | prepare | 10. | rescue |
| 8. | storm |  |  |
| Notes: Half-a-mark each. Spelling must be correct. |  |  |  |


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| has | will | already | after | than | have | then | is | for | yet |
| 1. $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | O | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| 2. $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | 0 | $\bigcirc$ | - | $\bigcirc$ |
| 3. $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | - | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| 4. $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | 0 | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |  |
| 5. | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |  | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| Notes: Half-a-mark each. Responses must be indicated clearly. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |


| GRAMMAR 2 (2.5 mks) | READING 1 ( 5 mks ) |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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|  | A | B | C | D | E | F | G |
| 6. was | 1. $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | - | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| 7. of | 2. $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | 0 | - |
| 8. would / could / might | 3. $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | C | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| 9. to | 4. $\bigcirc$ | - | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| 10. the | 5. $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | - | 0 | $\bigcirc$ |
| Notes: Half-a-mark each. Spelling must be correct. | Notes: One mark each. Responses must be indicated clearly. |  |  |  |  |  |  |



## READING 3 (9 mks)

12. Nowhere/ never left England
13. A teacher
14. 6 novels / Six novels

| 15. $\quad$ the BBC | $\bigcirc$ Hollywood | $\bigcirc$ Thomas Egerton |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 16. $\quad$ Pride and Prejudice | $\bigcirc$ Mansfield Park | $\bigcirc$ Sense and Sensibility |
| 17. $\bigcirc$ Two | Four | $\bigcirc$ Six |

Notes: One-and-a-half marks each.
Qs 12-14: (i) Complete accuracy in grammar \& spelling is not required, but answers must be clearly and convincingly correct. (ii) In general, apply the 'not more than four words'. HOWEVER, use common sense for slightly longer, but obviously correct answers.

Qs 15-17: Responses must be indicated clearly.

## WRITING 1 (5 mks)

- Expresses opinions on topics in a lively, convincing way.

5 - Supports all points effectively with relevant evidence and detail.

- Essays are very well-organised, clear and coherent.
- A varied range of grammar and vocabulary with a very good level of accuracy.
- Expresses opinions on topics in a reasonably convincing way.

4 - Supports most points with relevant evidence and detail.

- Essays are generally well-organised and, for the most part, clear and coherent.
- A fair range of grammar and vocabulary with a good level of accuracy
- Expresses opinions on topics, in a somewhat limited way.
- Is inconsistent in supporting points with relevant evidence and detail.
- Essays are poorly- organised, but are still reasonably clear and coherent.
- A limited range of grammar and vocabulary with a reasonable level of accuracy
- Express opinions on topics, but the results are clearly inadequate.
- Is generally weak in supporting points with relevant evidence.
- Essays lack organization, lacking in coherence and sometimes unclear.
- A very limited range of grammar and vocabulary with frequent errors.
- Makes only very feeble attempts to express opinions on topics.
- Fails to support points with any relevant evidence.
- Essays are incoherent and confusing.
- Extremely limited range of grammar and vocabulary with frequent serious errors.

0 No attempt at the task: EITHER Irrelevant (Completely unrelated to the topic) OR Hardly any writing at all, or not written in English OR Complete nonsense

## WRITING 2 (10 mks)

| $\mathbf{1 0}$ | - Produces narratives which are fully successful in engaging the reader. <br> - Lively, effective use of appropriate detail. <br> - Writing is very well-structured, clear and coherent. <br> - A varied range of grammar and vocabulary with a very good level of accuracy |
| :--- | :--- |
| $\mathbf{8}$ | - Produces narratives which are reasonably successful in engaging the reader. <br> - Generally good use of appropriate detail. <br> - Writing is generally well-structured, and mostly clear and coherent. <br> - A fair range of grammar and vocabulary with a good level of accuracy. |
| $\mathbf{6}$ | - Produces narratives which are only partially successful in engaging the reader. <br> - Somewhat limited use of appropriate detail. <br> - Writing is well-structured, but is still reasonably clear and coherent. <br> - A limited range of grammar and vocabulary with a reasonable level of <br> Accuracy |
| $\mathbf{4}$ | - Produces narratives which have very limited success in engaging the reader. <br> - Inadequate use of appropriate detail. <br> - Writing is poorly-structured, and often unclear. <br> - A very limited range of grammar and vocabulary with frequent errors. |
|  | - Produces narratives which fail entirely to engage the reader. <br> - Little or no use of appropriate detail. <br> - Writing is incoherent and confusing. <br> - Extremely limited range of grammar and vocabulary with frequent serious errors. |
| $\mathbf{0}$ | No attempt at the task: EITHER Irrelevant (Completely unrelated to the pictures/ task/ <br> instructions) OR |

