



# Royal College - Colombo 07

## Grade 8 – Third Term Evaluation – November 2019

Time : 2 hours

### English Language

Name :- ..... Grade :- ..... Index number:-.....

#### Test 1

Complete the dialogue between two persons. Fill

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| (a) cobbler | (b) packet | (c) play   |
| (d) tub     | (e) bottle | (f) smells |

- A : What are you cooking? It 1) ...f..... so good.  
B : I am baking a cake.
- A : Mother, we need a 2) ..... of glue.  
B : All right, I'll bring it.
- A : I want to get my shoe mended.  
B : There is a 3) ..... at the junction.
- A : My uncle bought me a flute yesterday.  
B : How wonderful! Can you 4) ..... it?
- A : Mother, lets buy a 5) ..... of ice cream for brother.  
B : Yes, and don't forget to buy a 6) ..... of biscuits for grandfather.

(5 marks)

#### Test 2

Fill in the blanks with the correct prepositions given in the box.

by, for, at, with, on, for

Dear Pasindu,

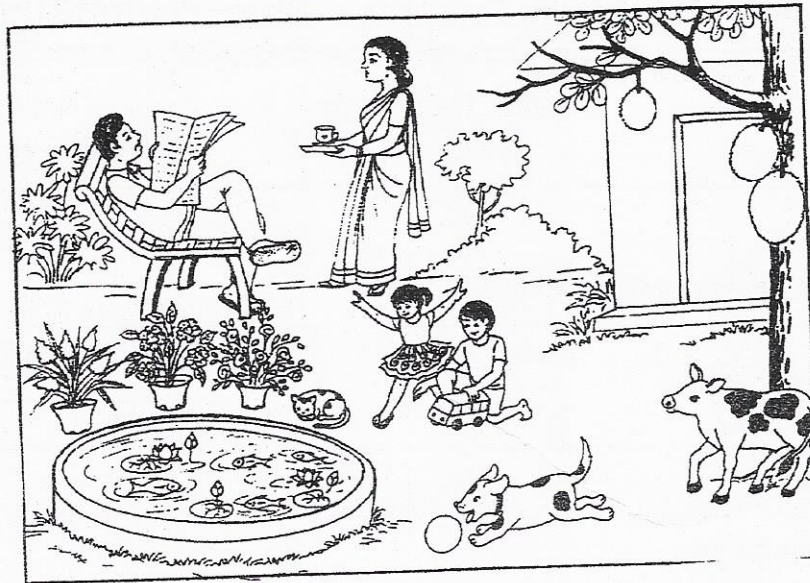
Thank you 1) .....for..... your letter, which I received last Sunday. I am sorry 2) ..... not replying promptly. We are 3) ..... home enjoying the vacation. We have planned to go 4) ..... a trip to Badulla. 5) .....train. Please don't miss it. Come 6) ..... your father.

Naveen

(5 marks)

### Test 3

Look at the picture and complete the description.



There are four people in the 1) ..... The two 2) ..... are playing with a toy bus. Their father is 3) ..... a news paper and mother is serving 4) ..... The dog is playing 5) ..... a ball near the pond. There are 6) ..... inside the pond. A cat is 7) ..... beside the children. There are some flower 8) ..... near the pond. A calf is trying to enter the 9) ..... There is a jak tree close the 10) .....

(10 marks)

### Test 4

Fill in the blanks with words form by adding affixes. First one is done for you.

1. Though we played very well, we were unlucky and lost the match. (lucky)
2. The flood made many people ..... and they had to live in the open air.  
(home)
3. The smoke of the car is very ..... (harm)
4. John was ..... and not allowed to run in the race. (qualified)
5. Ram's answer to the question is ..... (correct)
6. There are many ..... places in this world. (beauty)

(5 marks)



### Test 5

Read the following Newspaper headlines and match them correctly with those given below. Write the letter of the headline in the correct box.

**A** School boy on footboard falls off express train

**C** "Garbage heaps not cleared" say residents.

**B** leopard shot dead by poacher

**D** Penciling prevents infection

**E** "Child Labour prohibited" says Probation Department

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|--------------------------|----------------------|
| 1. A medical discovery   | <input type="text"/> |
| 2. A warning             | <input type="text"/> |
| 3. A tragedy.            | <input type="text"/> |
| 4. A complaint           | <input type="text"/> |
| 5. A threat to wild life | <input type="text"/> |

(5 marks)

### Test 6

This is a short description of Mr. Ratnasiri's family. Read it and write a similar passage about Mr. Yatawatta's family. Include the guide lines given below.

Mr. Ratnasiri is a doctor attached to Kandy General Hospital. His hometown is Matara but now he resides in Kandy. Mrs. Ayoma, Ratnasiri, his wife too is a doctor working in a base hospital.

Their only son, a medical student in Colombo Campus is in his third year. Like his parents he too has shown his brilliance in his work.

**Name:** Mr. Yatawatta, **Occupation:** Principal Gangoda M. M. V. Kegalle. **Home Town:** Galle  
**Wife:** A teacher, **Son:** A law student in Colombo faculty. **Daughter:** A student

Mr. Yatawatta is a .....

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(5 marks)

## Test 7

Read the following advertisement and complete the dialogue given below.

### Oasis Sports Centre

We are now open at Nugegoda  
With more facilities

**Bookings & cancellations:**  
Both members as well as non members  
Can book many activities.  
**at least six days in advance.**  
Prior notice of 48 hours is required for  
Cancellations without payment.

**Membership**

|                                      |            |
|--------------------------------------|------------|
| Junior membership (6 -18 years)      | Rs.2500.00 |
| Senior membership (19 years onwards) | Rs.3500.00 |

**Lockers**  
Locker are available to keep your possessions.  
Rs. 500.00 refundable.

**Facilities**  
Gymnasium : Tennis Court  
Table Tennis Room : Cafe

- Malith : Hello Ravin, are you going for sports practice ?
- Ravin : Yes, I am on my way to the Oasis sports center
- Malith : Where is it?
- Ravin : It is at (1) .....
- Malith : Can I also join you? How much is the membership?
- Ravin : Well, as you are 16 years old you have to get the (2)..... membership.  
It's only 2500 rupees.
- Malith : Should I be a member to practice the games?
- Ravin : No, even (3) ..... Can play if they book (4).....  
Days earlier.
- Malith : How about our belongings during practice?
- Ravin : You can safely keep them in a (5).....
- Malith : Thanks a lot. I'll join you soon.
- Ravin : You are welcome.

(5 marks)



### Test 8

Read the following note Nethu wrote to Suvini and complete the dialog. Use only one word in each blanks.

Dear Suvini,

Our English teacher wants us to organize the 'English Day' this year. She thinks our experience last year will help us this time as well. She wants at least ten students to take part from each class. We can call a meeting when you come the next day. Please bring your laptop. We must plan the agenda soon to hand over to all English teacher.

Nethu

Suvini : Mother, Nethu has sent a note through sister?

Mother : Is it something important?

Suvini : Yes, our 1) ..... wanted us to organize the 'English Day'

Mother : You did it last year as well.

Suvini : Yes, teacher thinks our 2) ..... last year will help us this time as well.

Mother : About how many student can take part?

Suvini : At least 3)..... students can take part from 4)..... class.

Mother : What are you going to do now?

Suvini : We are going to 5)..... the agenda

(5 marks)

### Test 9

Read the programme parade and fill in the following grid.

#### RUPAVAHINI

5.00 p.m – News  
 5.05 p.m – Science for School (Sinhala)  
 5.30 p.m – The Scooby Doo show – C- toon Series  
 6.00 p.m – Documentary on Forest Conservation (Sinhala)  
 6.30 p.m – News – Tamil  
 6.55 p.m – Svara Ranga – Musical Programme  
 7.25 p.m – Monkey – Adventure Series Based on the 16<sup>th</sup> Century.  
 8.00 p.m – News – Sinhala  
 8.20 p.m – Monkey (Contd.)  
 9.00 p.m – Flashback on World Cup and Count Down (Sinhala)  
 9.35 p.m – Dateline – 'Feminism in South Asia' Focus on Current Affairs  
 9.55 p.m – Weekend Movie – 'The Stranger (Not Suitable for Children)  
 11.40 p.m – Close of Transmission.












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| Name of the TV channel       |  |
| Transmission starts at       |  |
| A musical programme          |  |
| The weekend movie for adults |  |
| Close of transmission        |  |

(5 marks)



### Test 10

Complete the dialogue using the given utterances. Write the correct letter in the. *First one is done for you.*

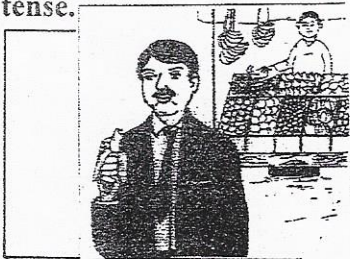
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|  <p>Good morning<br/>Can I help you sir?</p> | <p>Excuse me. Have you got this shirt in white?</p>  |
| <p>Good morning<br/>1. ....a..</p>           | <p>Yes, we have.<br/>2. ....</p> <p>Medium</p>         |
| <p>Here you are. How about this?</p>         | <p>It is alright?</p>                                |
| <p>3. ....</p>                               | <p>Yes, I like it.<br/>4. ....</p>                     |
| <p>How are you going to pay sir?</p>         | <p>That's fine.<br/>6. ....</p>                      |
| <p>5. ....</p>                               | <p>Thank you</p> <p>Your are welcome</p>  |

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|-------------------------------|-----------------------|
| a. I'm looking for a shirt.   | b. In cash            |
| c. Please pay at the counter. | d. What size are you? |
| e. I'll take it.              | f. Let me see it.     |

(5 marks)

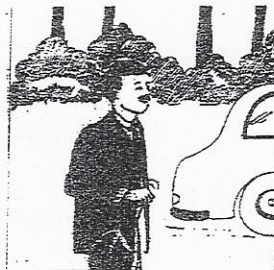
### Test 11

Look at the pictures, read the outline given below and then write a story using past perfect tense.



A man/ eat/ banana

A man had eaten a banana



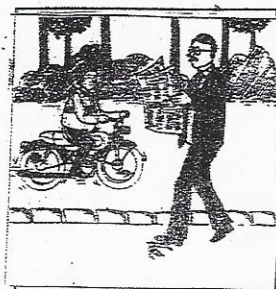
he / throw/ peel/ ground



he/ buy/ newspaper



he/ read/ on the road



he/step/ the/ banana peel



he / fall / on the road.

(5 marks)



### Test 12

Use inverted commas where necessary. *First one is done for you.*

1. My sister said "Get out now".
2. I will go to Delhi before I reach Manali on a bike said, Pinky.
3. He said that will be marvelous.
4. Put your coat on. It's cold out outside said mother.
5. My boss said to me your back pay cheque was sent to you today.
6. Are you going to finish that? Shrek asked Fiona.

(5 marks)

### Test 13

#### Sour grapes

A fox was trotting on one day,  
And just above his head  
He saw a vine with lovely grapes,  
Rich, ripe, and purple-red;

Eager he tried to snatch the fruit,  
But, ah! It was too high;  
Poor Reynard had to give it up,  
And heaving a deep sigh,

He curled his nose and said,  
'Dear me! I would not waste an hour  
Upon such mean and common fruit –  
I'm sure those grapes are sour!'

'Tis thus we often wish thro' life  
When seeking wealth and pow'r;  
And when we fail, say, like the fox,  
'We're sure the grapes are sour!'



1. What is title of the poem? .....(1/2 m)
2. How many stanzas are here? .....(1 m)
3. Write 2 pairs of rhyming words of the poem. ....  
..... (1m)
4. Did the fox really want the grapes? .....(1/2m)
5. What was so attractive about the grapes? .....(1 m)
6. Why did the fox curl his nose? .....(1 m)
7. Mark ✓ or ✗.

(i) Fox didn't want to snatch the fruit. ☐

(ii) The name given to fox is Reynard. ☐

(1 m)

8. Find synonyms for the following word.

(i) Looking for - .....

(ii) scamper - .....

(iii) grab - .....

(iv) fortune - ..... (2 m)



9. Underline the correct statement regarding the poem.

(i) The fox saw sour grapes.

(ii) People always seek for health and power.

(iii) When people are unable to reach their goals they used to how false reasons. (1 m)

10. Write your own ideas regarding the poem.

.....(1 m)  
(10 marks)

### Test 14

Read the paragraph and answer the questions.

I always enjoy the drive into Marley. It is a good straight road, with some pleasant views of the countryside on either side. There are woods and hills, villages and farms and, about halfway, a large lake. And because there is rarely much traffic on the road, I can usually enjoy the view as I drive along.

I was rather annoyed the other morning, therefore, when a small green car began to drive very close behind me. I went a little faster, hoping to leave the car behind. But whenever I slowed down, the little car caught up with me. However, I did not recognize either him or the car.

Again I began to drive a little faster but the little car caught up with me whenever I slowed down. "Perhaps I am doing something wrong," I thought. I checked my lights and my indicator, but they were both in order. And certainly had not got a puncture. The man was a lunatic, I decided. Feeling rather cross, I drove off very fast, leaving the small green car behind. I did not slow down until I got to Marley.

There are some traffic lights just before you cross the railway bridge into Marley and, as it happened, the lights turned red as I approached. I was still waiting there when the little green car caught up with me.

I asked rather coldly. "I'm trying to help you!" the man said. "You see, your number plate fell off about fifteen miles back. I tried to attract your attention but you didn't take any notice.

1. Where was the speaker going to? .....

2. Why did he like the road. ....

3. What did Alex do before he drove off very fast? .....

4. Underline the right answer.

(i) The driver of the small green car annoyed Alex because he wanted to:

(a) enjoy the view (b) drive slowly (c) stop halfway

(ii) Alex got away from the small green car by;

(a) driving very fast (b) checking the lights (c) waving to him

(iii) Alex stopped at the bridge because of:

(a) A train (b) the traffic (c) the traffic light