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Fill in the blanks in the following dialogue between Amanda and Upuli. Use the words given in the box. Write the correct letter in the blank. The first has been done for you. (1 x 5 marks)

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Amanda	:	We have	e the E	nglish (1	) <u>ex</u>	am	within th	is week.	
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Kind regards

Nethuli

TEST 3

Study the picture and fill in the blanks in the text given below.

(½ x 10 marks)



This is a picture of a school playground. There are boys and (1)	in the
picture. Two students sitting on a (2) are talking to each	
(3) boys are playing on the slide and they are wearing (4)	
and shirts. All the girls in the picture are wearing skirts and (5) Th	iere is
only one boy who is wearing (6) and he is talking to another girl and	a bov.
He is holding a (7) at his back. There is only one building with a	a tiled
(8) and a (9) pole in front of it. There are	
(10) behind the wall.	

Match the headings with the contents of notices given. Write the correct letter in the blanks provided. The first one has been done for you. (1 x 5 marks)

#### **Contents**

- 1. The office bearers are requested to attend a meeting with the Principal.(...b..)
- 2. Application form duly recommended by chief warden is to be submitted before 31<sup>st</sup> December 2016.( .....)
- Interested candidates may give their names to the Cultural Secretary.(.....)
- Library hours have been extended up to 9.00 pm on all working days.( .....)
- 5. Students are invited to put up various stalls with innovative games or healthy food.
- 6. All the talented students with gifted voices may appear for the audition.

  ( .....)

# Headings

- (a) Charity Fair
- (b) Meeting of Science Society
- (c) Attention! Music Lovers!
- (d) Drama Competition
- (e) Extension Hours for Reading Room
- (f) Option for availing hostel facility

#### TEST 5

Read the following interview and fill in the blanks in the summary given below. The first one has been done for you.

(1 x 5 marks)

Interviewer: Thank you for taking some time off from your busy schedule to answer a few questions about your life.

Mrs. Perera: It's my pleasure.

Interviewer: Could you please tell us how you manage your mornings in your life as a

busy doctor.



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- B. What are you reading right now?
- C. Why do you like them?
- D. Where and when do you like to read most?
- E. Who is your favourite author?
- F. Do you enjoy reading?

**Journalist** 

: Hello, Sanduni. I like to have a word with you. It's about your hobby.

Sanduni

: Oh, you mean reading. I always read anything that comes my way.

Journalist

....F..... :(1)

Sanduni

: Yes, I enjoy reading and I read quite a lot. It is my favourite past time. There

is nothing like a book when you are on your own.

Journalist

: (2) ......

Sanduni

: "Noon Tide" by Romesh Gunasekara. I'm half only way through it but I have

begun to like it very much. Probably the best book I've read so far.

**Journalist** 

: (3)

Sanduni

: It tells about our country Sri Lanka, but through the eyes of a Lankan who

has been living abroad. The language is simple and easy to understand.

He goes around the country describing various places.

**Journalist** 

: (4)

Sanduni

: There are many writers. Both in Sinhala and English. I still like Mr. Martin

Wickramasinghe very much. When it comes to English, I prefer Ken Follet.

**Journalist** 

: (5)

Sanduni

: The way they choose the words and the pattern they are connected, to

convey a deep meaning. Mr. Wickramasinghe rings out life styles of old Sri

Lanka and Follet, he is the king of suspense.

**Journalist** 

Sanduni

: Oh, in my room and in my bed. Sometimes in the garden. I read at any time

of the day. If the book is good and if it doesn't affect my studies, yes I read

all the time.

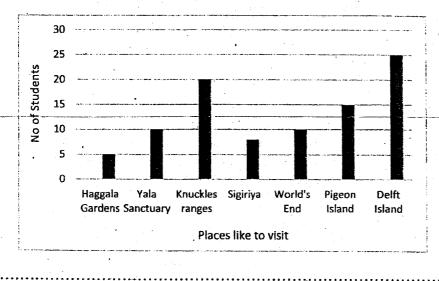
You need some money to register for a course at a private institution. Write a letter to your brother who is in abroad to send that money to you. Use about 100 words. (10 marks)

Include the following:

- what the course is
- the importance of doing the course
- amount of money you need
- when you want it

## Or

The following bar chart shows the places students like to visit after the O/L Examinations. Study the bar chart and write a description about it. Use about 100 words.



The following words may help you.

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Read the following text and answer the questions given below.

(8 marks)

All his life Hesith had lived with his parents in Colombo, but he had always loved the country, and he was particularly interested in agriculture, so when finished school he decided to go to an agricultural college and learn how to be a farmer. He studied all kinds of things about farming at college during his first year, and when the vacation came he thought he was an expert farmer.

He had an uncle called Mahinda who had a farm in the North Central Province - about twenty miles from Polennaruwa, so after a week at home in the big city, he phoned him and asked whether he could come and spend a week with him. He said that, considering he had been at the agricultural college for a year already, he might be able to give him some really up-to-date ideas about farming methods which could be useful to him.

His uncle tried not to laugh as he answered. He asked Hesith to come whenever he liked and said he would like to exchange ideas with Hesith. Mahinda had met other similarly eager young agricultural students before, and did not have a very high opinion of their knowledge. He had been farming for twenty years, and watched the early morning and weekend farming programmes on television regularly, so he suspected that he did not have much to learn about his work from a first year student.

However, he went to the station to meet Hesith, when he turned up, and dove him back to his farm for lunch, during which they talked mostly about family. "If I've been born on a farm instead of the city" Hesith said, "I have friends who really enjoy city life, and who feel unhappy unless they're in bright lights, but I'm just the opposite I love the country and everything to do with it." After lunch, Mahinda said to his nephew, I suppose you'd like to get on with looking round the farm now, so that you can give me your expert advice about what we are doing wrong."

Hesith blushed and protested that he would probably not be able to find anything wrong at all, but Mahinda could see that he was saying this only out of politeness, and that he really thought himself an expert on farming. He asked him to change his shoes before going out, so as not to make his carpets dirty when they came in again. Then as they went out of the house to start their tour, Mahinda said, "I suppose you know that we grow a variety of vegetables on this farm. We sell them to the markets at Dambulla and so on. We are having a lot of competition from Nuwara Eliya, and now from the North.

Hesith nodded. They were entering a nursery full of young plants, and Mahinda asked Hesith to tell him what he thought of them and told him not to be shy. "Mm," he said solemnly, "Your methods are certainly very old-fashioned. It isn't surprising you can't compete with the North. We went to Jaffna to study their methods, you know, I don't suppose you get more than three kilos of tomatoes off each of those plants over there". He smiled in a superior way.

"I am sure we don't", answered his uncle, 'Those are chili plants".

1.	State whether the following statements are true or false by writing "T each sentence.	
	(a) Hesith did not live in a place that he liked.	()
	(b) He always liked to study agriculture.	()
	(c) He decided to enter an agriculture school after he left school.	()
	(d) At the end of the first year, he was an expert farmer.	()
2.	What did Hesith offer to do for his uncle once he visited the farm?	
3.	How did his uncle, Mahinda, know so much about farming? Give tw	
	(i)	
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4.	Why did Hesith blush and protest when his uncle said Hesith could on farming?	e in de Santa
5	. Write the sentence which says that his uncle grew different kinds of farm.	f vegetables in his
6	Name the two places where his uncle face a big contest when selling	g vegetables.
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7	Why did his uncle agree, when Hesith said that he thought he companies off his plants?	lid not get enough
;	8. What do the following words refer to? (paragraph 5)	•
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Write on one of the following. Use about 200 words. (15 marks)

- 1. A speech to be made at your school assembly on 'The value of reading'.

  Include the following:
  - a short introduction of importance and benefits one gets from reading
  - types of books, magazines we should read
  - finding time for reading
- An article to be sent for the school magazine on 'Vandalism'.
   Write the article using following guidelines.
  - what do you mean by vandalism
  - reasons for vandalism
  - effects of vandalism on public
  - prevention of vandalism
- 3. Write an article on 'Road Safety' to a newspaper.

Use the following points in your article.

- Importance of road rules- for pedestrians. cyclists and motorists
- negligence of road users
- drunk driving
- 4. Complete the following story.

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Read the following text. There is an error in the sentences given to you. Rewrite the sentence after correcting it. The first one has been done for you. (1 x 5 marks)

#### The Sea Horse

The sea horse is not a horse but a fish, and an extremely strange one. It has a distinct neck and a moveable head.

It swims upright through the water rapid.

He then carries the eggs about with him until they hatch.

1. It swims upright through the water rapidly		
The sea horse moves their single dorsal or back fin.		
2		
Sea horses live of tropical and temperate seas and seaweed.		
3		
They usually feed on the tiny crabs and lobsters that crawls on seaweed.		
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One of the oddest things about sea horses are the way they bring up their young.	11	
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The female lay its eggs in a pouch on the belly of the male.		
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Read the text and match the word in the box with the phrase within the brackets. There is an extra word. The first one has been done for you. (1 x 5 marks)

entertained, chanted, trimmings, lullabies, happiness, community, measure,

For most people the word literature means books and reading. But there was a time when there were almost no books because there were no printing presses. People learned the tales of good story-tellers and retold the same tales with a few additions and (1) ......trimmings...... (extra things that are added) of their own. They sang the folk songs they had learned by ear. Mothers sang old (2).................(gentle songs sung to make someone sleep) to their babies and repeated old nursery rhymes, their mothers had taught

told stories as he heard them in his (6).....(people who lived in a

## TEST 11

particular place or area).

Fill in the blanks from the words in the box. There are two extra words. (½ x 14 marks)

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## **Culture Shock**

Read the following text and complete the dialogue using the correct form of the verb given in the brackets. The first one has been done for you. (1 x 5 marks)

Hasitha Perera, a freelance reporter went to investigate a bank robbery in Gampaha town itself. He interviewed two people. One was the manager of the bank and the other was the police officer who handled the investigation.

Hasitha : Sir, can you tell me what really happened. How did the thief enter the building?

Manager: A window (1) .....was broken... (break). May be the thief had entered

through it.

Hasitha : What were the other damages?

Manager: The bank locker (2) ...... (open). He had used force.

Hasitha : Anything taken from the locker?

Manager : Cash and some jewellery (3) ...... (steal). The total loss will

be about two million.

Hasitha : You are the police officer in charge, aren't you? Were you able to

(4) ..... (catch) the thief.

Police Officer: Yes, the thief (5) ...... (take) into the custody.

Hasitha : Sir, what about the stolen items?

Police Officer: Yes, all the items (6) ..... (recover).

Hasitha : That's very clever of you. Thank you very much for the information.

#### TEST 13 ....

Read the interview between a journalist and Sanduni Gunatilaka, an undergraduate from University of Sabaragamuwa whose hobby is reading. Match the questions of the interview from the box with the answers. Write the letter in front of the question in the space provided at the top of each answer.

The first one has been done for you.

(1 x 5 marks)

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