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**GRAMMAR CLOZE**  
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**The Write Tribe**



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### EXERCISE 3

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marks

Read the passage carefully. From the list of words given, choose the suitable word for each blank. Write the letter (A to Q) in the blank. The letters (I) and (O) have been omitted to avoid confusion during marking. (10 x 1 = 10 marks)

EACH WORD CAN BE USED ONLY ONCE.

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| (A) during  | (E) whenever | (J) within  | (N) of   |
| (B) despite | (F) by       | (K) off     | (P) into |
| (C) every   | (G) above    | (L) through | (Q) all  |
| (D) round   | (H) under    | (M) against |          |

It was reported that Jurong Bird Park would be relocated to Mandai and renamed Bird Paradise. It is one of the five wildlife parks planned for Mandai, which will be known as the Mandai Wildlife Reserve.

I remember Jurong Bird Park fondly. A visit to Jurong Bird Park promises to be a unique experience. 1 the hilly 20.2 hectares of this attractively landscaped park, some thousands of birds from six hundred species native to 2 part of the world are exhibited. At the specially built amphitheatre, birds of various sizes soar and hunt, thrilling audiences daily at two entertaining shows. Soaring 3 the treetops is a free-flight

show of the eagle family. Hawks and owls show 4  their flying grace within the high enclosure.

During a stroll 5  the tropical rain forest in the park's walk-in aviary, the largest in the world, one can see a thirty-metre man-made waterfall which splashes down into a stream, a favourite haunt 6  the water birds.

Then 7  a background of insect calls, the screech and squawk of the nightfowl can be heard in the middle of the day 8  the starlit cover of a jungle night. The park's unique 'World of Darkness' houses the birds of the night - owls, herons, frogmouth and kiwi - in an artificially lighted jungle setting that turns day 9  night, allowing these special birds to come alive during the day.

From the aviary, visitors can also take a tram ride with a recorded commentary 10  the scenic lakes.

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## EXERCISE 4

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|-------------|------------|-------------|-----------|
| (A) because | (E) either | (J) despite | (N) with  |
| (B) who     | (F) after  | (K) where   | (P) hence |
| (C) both    | (G) from   | (L) however | (Q) in    |
| (D) every   | (H) to     | (M) some    |           |

A garden can be either a vegetable or fruit garden, or a garden of beautiful flower plants. **1**  tropical Asia, especially in rural areas, gardens are one of the important features of a home. **2**  village family in India or China is proud of possessing a plot of land **3**  the much-needed vegetables and fruit-bearing trees or plants are cultivated. There are cases where beautiful flower gardens are the proud possessions of **4**  wealthy landlords.

Usually, middle-class people take up gardening as a hobby or pastime just **5**  keep themselves usefully occupied during their free time.



They till the soil of their compounds and plant beautiful orchids and plants. The pleasure derived <sup>6</sup>  this pastime is so great that some people become totally obsessed <sup>7</sup>  gardening.

<sup>8</sup> , some people regard it as a "dirty pastime" <sup>9</sup>  of the sweat and dirt that a gardener has to bear. These people regard themselves as "refined" people in society. They are the ones <sup>10</sup>  are blind to the beauty and pleasure of gardening.

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VOCABULARY  
BASIC**EXERCISE 25****15**  
marks

Read the passage. For each question from 1 to 5, choose the word(s) closest in meaning to the underlined words. Write the correct number (1, 2, 3 or 4) in the brackets provided. (5 x 1 = 5 marks)

There are two main (1) categories of bad drivers – the reckless drivers and the road hogs. They not only (2) disobey traffic rules but also take advantage of those who are law-abiding. During the peak hours when traffic is heavy, drivers who are (3) easily annoyed weave in and out, cutting across the paths of other cars.

Meanwhile, the road hogs (4) block the smooth flow of the traffic by driving slowly in the extreme right lane. This may cause a traffic jam as all vehicles have to drive slowly behind the road hogs. It is (5) hazardous for drivers to overtake the other vehicles in other lanes if the traffic is heavy.

- 1 (1) varieties  
(2) ranks

- (3) styles  
(4) groups

- 2 (1) neglect  
(2) rebel

- (3) defy  
(4) infringe

- 3 (1) irritable  
(2) genial

- (3) sulky  
(4) sensitive

- 4 (1) delay  
(2) thwart

- (3) clog  
(4) prevent

- 5 (1) difficult  
(2) dangerous

- (3) unhealthy  
(4) distressing



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VOCABULARY

PASTIC

**EXERCISE 26**15  
marks

Read the passage. For each question from 1 to 5, choose the word(s) closest in meaning to the underlined words. Write the correct number (1, 2, 3 or 4) in the brackets provided. (5 x 1 = 5 marks)

A (1) typical south Indian dish is 'rice plate'. However, if you ask for rice in a vegetarian restaurant, you would not get a plate at all. Instead, a banana leaf is placed in front of you. A large (2) pile of rice is then placed on the banana leaf.

Scoops of a variety of vegetable curries are added to the rice and a couple of papadums are tossed to (3) improve the taste. You have to use your hands to eat the food, for south Indian vegetarian food is served without (4) forks, spoons and knives. You have to knead the curries into the rice to enjoy the food. When you have finished eating, fold the banana leaf into two, with the fold towards you, to (5) show that you have had enough.

- 1 (1) habitual  
(2) standard

- (3) special  
(4) ordinary

- 2 (1) batch  
(2) mound

- (3) mass  
(4) load

- 3 (1) heighten  
(2) strengthen

- (3) enhance  
(4) modify

- 4 (1) cutlery  
(2) crockery

- (3) utensils  
(4) receptacles

- 5 (1) reveal  
(2) hint

- (3) announce  
(4) indicate