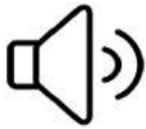


ENGLISH LANGUAGE TEST**GRADE EIGHT****Semester One****First Session**

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Write your answers on the Test Paper**Time: 2 hours****Pages: 8**

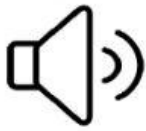
TEST SCORES	LISTENING	10	
	GRM/VCB	10	
	READING	10	
	WRITING	10	
	TOTAL	40	

**LISTENING 1 (Items 1-5)****(5 marks)**

You are going to hear five people speaking. **Which type of activities they like doing?**
Listen and for each item, shade in the bubble ☐ under the correct option.

outdoor	indoor	dangerous	art and craft	quiet	boring
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| 1. | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ |
| 2. | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ |
| 3. | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ |
| 4. | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ |
| 5. | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ |

**LISTENING 2 (Items 6-10)****(5 marks)**

You are going to hear a story about **Bader's holiday in Masirah**.

Listen and for each item, write a short answer (**not more than FOUR WORDS**).

6. When did Bader go to Masirah?

7. How long did he stay there?

8. How many rooms in the hotel?

9. Which country the scientist was from?

10. How was Bader's holiday in Masirah?

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**LISTENING
SCORE**

10

VOCABULARY (Items 1-5)**(2½ marks)**

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** c h e n.

1. (adjective) A person who does not want to work.

e.g. Ahmed is a **la** __ __ boy. He doesn't do anything.

2. (verb) To keep something safe.

e.g. Government should **pro** ____ endangered animals.

3. (noun) The gate or opening where you go into a place.

e.g. You can enter the garden from the **entr** ____ .

4. (verb) To run away.

e.g. The monkeys **esc** ____ from the zoo.

5. (adjective) A few number of something.

e.g. Amour Leopard is one of **ra** __ __ animals in the world.



GRAMMAR (Items 6-10)**(2½ marks)**

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

Oman has many interesting and beautiful places and Al Hoota Cave is one of famous landmarks (1) _____ Oman. It is located in the foot of Jabal Shams. It (2) _____ the first and only show cave in the Arabia with a total length of more (3) _____ 4.5 km. It (4) _____ opened in 2006. The cave has four lakes. The lakes have blind fish and many other animal species living in the cave including bats, spiders (5) _____ snails.

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| 6. | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ |
| 7. | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ |
| 8. | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ |
| 9. | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ |
| 10. | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ |



GRAMMAR/VOCABULARY (Items 11-20)**(5 marks)**

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

Shark is a type of fish. They are different in shape (11) _____ size. Some of them (12) _____ very big, (13) _____ others are smaller. Megalodon shark is (14) _____ largest shark in the world. There are many sharks live (15) _____ the sea near Oman. Omani fishermen like to catch the sharks (16) _____ sharks' meat is good to eat. A shark's mouth is large and it has many (17) _____ teeth. There are (18) _____ than 2000 species, however, half of them are (19) _____ and dead. Sharks are (20) _____ because they can attack humans.

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| 11. ☐ and | ☐ for | ☐ so | ☐ but |
| 12. ☐ is | ☐ am | ☐ was | ☐ are |
| 13. ☐ so | ☐ but | ☐ and | ☐ or |
| 14. ☐ then | ☐ the | ☐ than | ☐ that |
| 15. ☐ of | ☐ at | ☐ on | ☐ in |
| 16. ☐ because | ☐ but | ☐ and | ☐ so |
| 17. ☐ weak | ☐ smooth | ☐ soft | ☐ sharp |
| 18. ☐ the | ☐ least | ☐ more | ☐ most |
| 19. ☐ great | ☐ extinct | ☐ interesting | ☐ amazing |
| 20. ☐ kind | ☐ nice | ☐ friendly | ☐ dangerous |

**GRM/VCB
SCORE**

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READING 1 (Items 1-4)**(4 marks)**

Match the texts with the pictures.

For each text, shade in the bubble ☐ under the correct option.**A.****B.****C.****D.****E.****F.****Pictures****Texts**

- 1** A brown board thicker than paper. It is used for making boxes.

- 2** A thick pointed piece of metal with sharp end. It is used to join things together especially pieces of wood or on the wall.

- 3** A strong and flexible material that is made of rubber. It is used to hold things together.

- 4** A piece of wood usually is dry. It is used for making things such as mini models.

	A	B	C	D	E	F
1	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
2	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
3	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
4	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐



READING 2 (Items 5–10)**(6 marks)**

Read the text. Then complete the task.

Travelling by trains is one of the best way of travel. Trains allow you to reach your place faster than a car or a ship. Some trains have big windows which allow you to see beautiful landscape. Some long-distance trains also have private sleeping areas. I believe having an enjoyable and safe trip on a train is not difficult. You just need to plan it very well and follow some rules.

First, before you board, go shopping in a supermarket to get a tasty and less expensive meals. To keep your luggage safe from thieves, you need to keep them closer to you. You shouldn't keep them far away from you.

In addition, I believe that you can enjoy your time by doing useful activities such as reading or writing. You can spend your time by reading a favorite book or a magazine and newspaper. Also you can delete unnecessary documents or photos from your mobile. You can send messages to your family or friends as well. You can speak or discuss different issues with the people in the train. However, you can not speak aloud because of other passengers who like to work or sleep.

READING 2 (continued)

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

5. Travelling by _____ is faster than a car or ship.
☐ bike ☐ train ☐ bus
6. Some long-distance trains have _____.
☐ a place for rest ☐ café ☐ cinema
7. Planning a trip on a train is _____ if you follow some rules.
☐ difficult ☐ dangerous ☐ easy
8. Your _____ should be closer to you to be safe from thieves.
☐ meals ☐ luggage ☐ books
9. The writer believes that you can _____ your time in the train.
☐ enjoy ☐ worry ☐ hate
10. In the train you should avoid _____.
☐ reading newspaper ☐ talking aloud ☐ sending SMS

**READING
SCORE**

10

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WRITING 1**(4 marks)**

Write a paragraph about an endangered animal called **Green Turtle**. Use **ALL** the information in the box. Your writing should be correct and well-organized.

<u>The Green Turtle</u> color/ green no teeth weight/ up to 800 kg live / ocean eat / grass live/ long/ 100 years endangered species/ hunt/ destroy nests
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WRITING 2**(6 marks)**

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

Situation: Your friend **Karim/Karima** is writing a school report for the English club about the inventions. Write an e-mail to tell him/ her about: **your favorite invention and why?**

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