

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

Name			
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Write your answers on the Test Paper**Time: 2 hours****Pages: 10**

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

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

You are going to hear five people speaking. Who are they?

Listen and for each item, shade in the bubble ☐ under the correct option.

A musician	A taxi driver	A dentist	A tourist	A teacher	A police officer
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| 1. | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ |
| 2. | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ |
| 3. | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ |
| 4. | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ |
| 5. | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ |

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

You are going to hear a paragraph about London

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

6. Where is London located?

7. What is the name of the famous river in London?

8. How many languages are spoken in London?

9. What is the name of the famous clock in London?

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10. What is the best thing about London?

_____.

**LISTENING
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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) not fast

e.g. Turtles are **sl**__ animals.

2. (noun) a place where planes land and take off.

e.g. I went to the **air**____ to see my father.

3. (adverb) In a happy way.

e.g. The girl smiles and looks at her cat **happ**_____.

4. (verb) To give money to someone when you buy things.

e.g. You have to **p**__ two rials for your ticket.

5. (noun) a person who takes tourists to places of interest.

e.g. My uncle is a tour **gu**____ in Salalah.



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.)

The panda is one of (6) _____ rarest animals in the world. Pandas.
(7) _____ in the bamboo forest of South_ West China. Pandas sometimes
eat meat (8) _____ mostly eat bamboo plants. Hunters have killed many
pandas for (9) _____ beautiful fur. So, the Chinese government
has started (10) _____ work hard to save the pandas.

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

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

Salalah is (1) _____ greatest choice to (2) _____ a holiday. Every year
 Kharif Salalah (3) _____ many tourists from all over the world to (4) _____
 to Salalah. It is also (5) _____ for frankincense trade. During the (6) _____
 _____, you may see traditional dances. The people (7) _____ very generous and
 (8) _____ you to (9) _____ delicious Oman halwa. You (10) _____ never regret
 being there.

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| 11. ☐ a | ☐ an | ☐ the | ☐ most |
| 12. ☐ make | ☐ spend | ☐ be | ☐ go |
| 13. ☐ attracting | ☐ attracted | ☐ attract | ☐ attracts |
| 14. ☐ travelled | ☐ travels | ☐ travelling | ☐ travel |
| 15. ☐ spicy | ☐ famous | ☐ respectful | ☐ friendly |
| 16. ☐ festival | ☐ resort | ☐ party | ☐ museum |
| 17. ☐ was | ☐ were | ☐ are | ☐ is |
| 18. ☐ break | ☐ arrive | ☐ invite | ☐ travel |
| 19. ☐ taste | ☐ feel | ☐ drink | ☐ apply |
| 20. ☐ will | ☐ be | ☐ is | ☐ was |

**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**

- In case of an emergency e.g. fire, you'll need to call firefighters quickly To put the fire off.
- I advise you to clean your teeth at least twice a day. Don't eat lots of sweets in order to have healthier and whiter teeth.
- If your car doesn't work. I am ready to repair it. My job is a tiring one but I enjoy it.
- I'm going to take my passport. I have to look after it carefully. It says who I'm. I need to show it when I leave Oman and when I enter other countries.

A	B	C	D	E	F
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READING 2 (Items 5–10)**(6 marks)***Read the text. Then complete the task.*

Christopher Columbus was born in Genoa, Italy in 1451 . His career in exploration started when he was very young. As a teenager he travelled the seas . He appealed to the kings of Portugal, France and England to finance a westward trip to the Indies, but all denied his request. After ten years of monumental efforts but fruitless , king Ferdinand and Queen Isabella of Spain agreed to finance Columbus in the hopes of acquiring great wealth .

On August 3, 1492, Columbus and three ships , the Nina , Pinta , and Santa Maria , left Palos , Spain and headed westward . After stopping in the Canary Islands off the coast of Africa , Columbus' ships hit the open seas. The trip was long and hard. The crew was afraid of sea monsters . After two months , on October 12, the land was finally sighted one of the Bahama Islands. He named the land San Salvador. He named the native people he saw " Indians " .

He died with the belief that he had found the shortcut to the Indies . Soon , however , other explorers and nations understood the importance of his discoveries . Columbus' discoveries set the stage for the Age of Exploration , one of the most fascinating times in the world history.

Christopher Columbus made one of the greatest discoveries in the history of the world North America . Today , we celebrate Columbus Day in October to commemorate his discoveries.

READING 2 (continued)

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

5. Christopher Columbus was born in _____ .
☐ Britain ☐ Italy ☐ France
6. He travelled across the seas when he was _____.
☐ young ☐ old ☐ teenager
7. Columbus and _____ ships left Spain and headed westward.
☐ three ☐ two ☐ four
8. Their trip to Canary Islands was _____.
☐ difficult ☐ short ☐ enjoyable
9. His crew was scared of _____.
☐ monsters ☐ high mountains ☐ Icebergs
10. People celebrate Columbus Day in _____ to commemorate his discoveries.
☐ November ☐ October ☐ December

READING
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