

**ENGLISH LANGUAGE TEST**

**GRADE NINE**

**Semester Two  
First Session**

<b>Name</b>		
<b>School</b>		<b>Class</b>

**Write your answers on the Test Paper**

**Time: 2 hours**

**Pages: 11**

<b>TEST SCORES</b>	<b>LISTENING</b>	<b>10</b>	
	<b>GRM/VCB</b>	<b>10</b>	
	<b>READING</b>	<b>10</b>	
	<b>WRITING</b>	<b>10</b>	
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>40</b>	

**LISTENING 1 (Items 1–5)**

**(5 marks)**

You are going to hear five short texts about **Jobs**. Match the pictures with the texts. For each text, shade in the bubble  under the correct option.

A.



B.



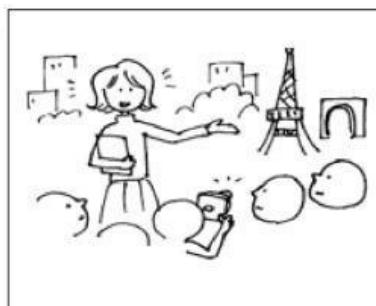
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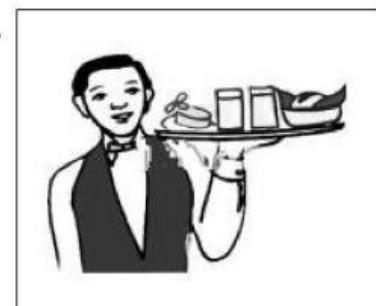
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E.



F.



**Pictures**

Text	A	B	C	D	E	F
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2.	<input type="radio"/>					
3.	<input type="radio"/>					
4.	<input type="radio"/>					
5.	<input type="radio"/>					



**LISTENING 2 (Items 6–10)**

**(5 marks)**

You are going to hear a text about **Festival of lights**.  
For each item, shade in the bubble  next to the correct option.

6. This festival is held at the end of \_\_\_\_\_.

August

April

October

7. The festival lasts for \_\_\_\_\_ days.

five

four

fifteen

8. Indians paint some designs on the \_\_\_\_\_.

walls and floors

floors

doors

9. They also decorate the houses with the lamps made of \_\_\_\_\_.

glass

metal

clay

10. This festival is for \_\_\_\_\_.

children

women

everybody

**LISTENING  
SCORE**

**10**

**VOCABULARY (Items 1–5)****(2½ marks)***Complete the text. For each item, shade in the bubble  next to the correct option.*

The Omani government <sup>(1)</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ a lot of clinics and hospitals to fight diseases and <sup>(2)</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ people healthy. Doctors <sup>(3)</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ people and give them medicines. They <sup>(4)</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ them to clean their bodies and houses. Trained nurses work there to <sup>(5)</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ sick people and treat them.

**1.**

designed       built       drew       visited

**2.**

control       help       keep       take

**3.**

examine       disappear       capture       meet

**4.**

suffer       prevent       advise       ask

**5.**

happen       Look after       travel       care


**GRAMMAR (Items 6–10)****(2½ marks)***Complete each sentence with **ONE** word only.*

**6.** We are \_\_\_\_\_ the zoo today.

**7.** I prefer to visit places, \_\_\_\_\_ I can find good restaurants.

**8.** Passengers \_\_\_\_\_ show their passport to the police.

**9.** I think we \_\_\_\_\_ go to school by car or bus.

**10.** We decided \_\_\_\_\_ have a party tomorrow.



## GRAMMAR/VOCABULARY (Items 11–20)

(5 marks)

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

People drink tea in most countries (11)  the world. Britain is (12)  biggest importer of tea. Every year British people drink (13)  than 180,000 tonnes of tea. When the weather is (14) , British people usually drink hot tea with milk and sugar (15)  it helps them to stay warm. They drink tea at (16) , lunch and dinner. They also like to drink tea in the afternoon (17)  about four or five o'clock and they eat (18)  cake. This (19)  called "tea-time". British people drink their tea from big (20)  These are called "mugs".

11. <input type="radio"/> on	<input type="radio"/> of	<input type="radio"/> in	<input type="radio"/> at
12. <input type="radio"/> the	<input type="radio"/> and	<input type="radio"/> but	<input type="radio"/> are
13. <input type="radio"/> any	<input type="radio"/> most	<input type="radio"/> more	<input type="radio"/> because
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16. <input type="radio"/> afternoon	<input type="radio"/> morning	<input type="radio"/> breakfast	<input type="radio"/> night
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18. <input type="radio"/> and	<input type="radio"/> no	<input type="radio"/> some	<input type="radio"/> get
19. <input type="radio"/> is	<input type="radio"/> are	<input type="radio"/> was	<input type="radio"/> were
20. <input type="radio"/> kitchen	<input type="radio"/> drink	<input type="radio"/> cups	<input type="radio"/> rooms

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GRM/VCB
SCORE

10

## READING 1 (Items 1–4)

(4 marks)

Match the four texts on the left with the texts in the box. There are **two extra** texts in the box.)

1. Traditional Omani dances are a part of Oman's culture.
2. In traditional Omani souqs, you can buy or sell farm animals.
3. Building ships is a part of Omani culture.
4. Food is a part of Omani culture.

<b>A.</b> Some people visit these souqs just for pleasure.
<b>B.</b> Omani people sailed to India and east Africa by their boats
<b>C.</b> They usually invite others to their houses.
<b>D.</b> AL Razha is considered one of the popular sword dances in Oman.
<b>E.</b> Some food is prepared in big pots, and it takes a long time to be ready for eating.
<b>F.</b> It is served in weddings and special occasions. It is delicious.



**READING 2 (Items 5–10)**

**(6 marks)**

*Read the text. Then complete the task.*

Dear Aunt Julia,

I have so much to tell you, I don't know where to begin! Remember last summer when I told you that I was planning to enter the *Teen Say Magazine* essay competition. Well, I entered, and my essay, "Improving Community Safety," won! The prize was a weekend trip to New York City, with a visit to the *Teen Say* offices to see how they publish the magazine each month. Three of us were chosen to go for the trip: two other winners, and me.

My mom took me to the airport for the flight to New York, and I have to say I was nervous! I've flown before, but never without my parents. But when we got to the airport and met the other people in our group, I relaxed. The group leader, Mrs. Suzan, was friendly and easy to talk to. When we arrived at the *Teen Say* offices, she took us on a tour. By the time the tour was over, Mrs. Suzan noticed that we were getting tired. She took us to her favourite Italian restaurant.

When I see you at Mom's birthday party next week, I will tell you all about the sightseeing we are going to do tomorrow. I enclosed a copy of my essay with this letter. So far, it has been a great trip.

Love,

Yoshiko

**READING 2 (continued)**

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

**5.** What is the name of the magazine?

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**6.** Where was the trip to?

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**7.** How many winners were chosen to go for the trip?

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**8.** Who was the group leader?

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**9.** When will Yoshiko and Aunt Julia meet?

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**10.** Where did Mrs Suzan take the winners at the end of the tour?

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**READING  
SCORE**

**10**

## WRITING 1

(5 marks)

*Write at least **75 words** on the following topic:*

**“The internet made our life easy”**

Do you agree or not? Give your reasons.

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

**WRITING 2**

**(5 marks)**

Write a story of at least **75 words** based on the following pictures.

You can use the words in the box to help you.

You can also put in more details to make your story lively and interesting.

*advertisement*

*dream*

*excited*

*golf*

*phone*

*plants*

*retuned*

*Woke up*

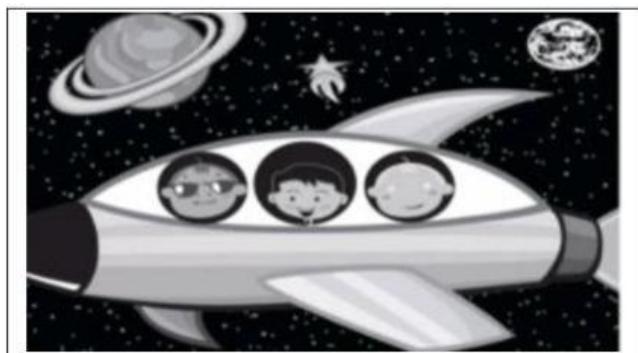
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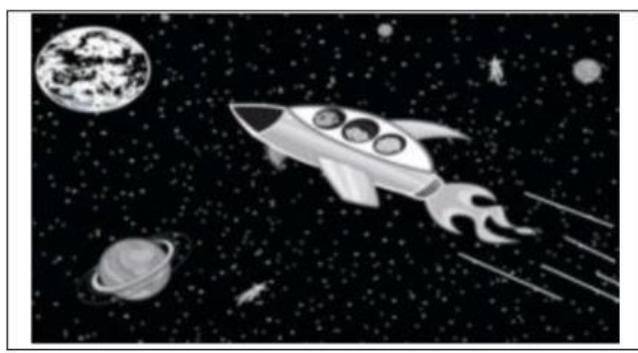
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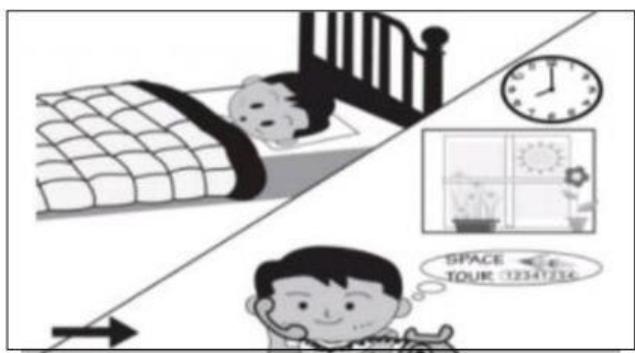
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## WRITING 2

(5 marks)

Complete the following task. Write at least **75 words**.

*Write about how you celebrated last Eid . Where did you go? Who did you go with? What did you see? What did you do?*

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

Marker A	Marker B	Average