2023/2024

ENGLISH LANGUAGE TEST

GRADE EIGHT

Semester One
First Session
Afternoon
Schools
(المدارس المسائية)

Name			
School		**Class**	

Write your answers on the Test

Time: 2 **Pages: 10**

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. **What activities** *are they* **talking about?** *Listen and for each item, shade in the bubble ⬭ under the correct option.*

	sailing	cooking	sewing	singing	drawing	roller skating
1.	⬭	⬭	⬭	⬭	⬭	⬭
2.	⬭	⬭	⬭	⬭	⬭	⬭
3.	⬭	⬭	⬭	⬭	⬭	⬭
4.	⬭	⬭	⬭	⬭	⬭	⬭
5.	⬭	⬭	⬭	⬭	⬭	⬭

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

You are going to hear a short text about **accident in a zoo**. *Listen and for each item, write a* ***short*** *answer (****not more than FOUR WORDS****).*

6. Where did Catalina come from?

_____

7. How old was she at the time of the incident?

_____

8. When does the Rio Carnival take place?

_____

9. What made the tigers frightened and attacked Catalina?

_____

10. Who screamed for help to save Catalina?

_____

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. (noun) An outdoor space for planting flowers and other trees.
e.g. Salim has a beautiful ***gar _ _ _*** *in front of his house.*

2. (adjective) Something that is very hard to find or doesn't happen often.
e.g. There are many ***ra _ _*** *creatures in the bottom of the oceans.*

3. (noun) any person, animal, or figure represented in a story.
e.g. Cinderella was the main ***chara _ _ _ _*** *in the story.*

4. (adverb) Doing something without making much noise or sound.
e.g. At the library we need to talk ***quie _ _ _*** *so, we don't disturb others.*

5. (verb) go away off the place.

e.g. She decided to ***le _ _ _*** *the party early and returned home.*

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.)*

Ahmed likes (6) _____read English books, so he always gets high marks in his tests. Yesterday, he had (7) _____spelling test. He usually studies one day (8) _____ the test, but this time, he forgot about it. When the English class started, the teacher told the students that they would have a spelling test. Ahmed was shocked, (9) _____he didn't give up. He did the test and (10) _____high mark as usual.

in	but	a	was	did	have	to	before	were	got
6. ⬭	⬭	⬭	⬭	⬭	⬭	⬭	⬭	⬭	⬭
7. ⬭	⬭	⬭	⬭	⬭	⬭	⬭	⬭	⬭	⬭
8. ⬭	⬭	⬭	⬭	⬭	⬭	⬭	⬭	⬭	⬭
9. ⬭	⬭	⬭	⬭	⬭	⬭	⬭	⬭	⬭	⬭
10. ⬭	⬭	⬭	⬭	⬭	⬭	⬭	⬭	⬭	⬭

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

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

Inventions change the world by solving (11) _____and making our lives easier. One (12) _____the most (13) _____inventions is the light bulb, which was (14) ___by Thomas Edison. (15) _____invention allowed people to work late at night. In today's digital age, we (16) _____the internet, an invention that has improved (17) _____way we learn, communicate, and get (18) _____. It changed the life, making the (19) _____more connected. Luckily, the (20) _____years of darkness is over.

11.	⬭ inventors	⬭ problems	⬭ machines	⬭ vaccine
12.	⬭ for	⬭ on	⬭ at	⬭ of
13.	⬭ famous	⬭ empty	⬭ long	⬭ wrong
14.	⬭ invented	⬭ invents	⬭ invent	⬭ inventing
15.	⬭ These	⬭ This	⬭ Those	⬭ They
16.	⬭ has	⬭ had	⬭ having	⬭ have
17.	⬭ them	⬭ then	⬭ the	⬭ that
18.	⬭ population	⬭ information	⬭ celebration	⬭ pollution
19.	⬭ hours	⬭ day	⬭ world	⬭ month
20.	⬭ last	⬭ next	⬭ finally	⬭ coming

GRM/VCB SCORE	**10**

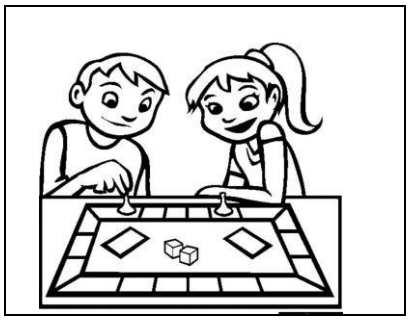
READING 1 (Items 1-4) (4 marks)

Match the texts with the pictures.
For each text, shade in the bubble ⬭ under the correct option.

A.



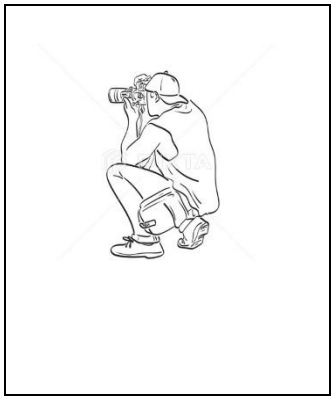
B.



C.



D.



E.



F.



Texts	Pictures					
	A	B	C	D	E	F
1. You can plant flowers, vegetables or fruits and maintain your garden by watering it, pulling the weeds and feeding it with good soil.	⬭	⬭	⬭	⬭	⬭	⬭
2. Fishing needs patience and skill. All you need is a fishing rod and a lake. Then wait and enjoy nature until you catch something.	⬭	⬭	⬭	⬭	⬭	⬭
3. Skateboarding is an exciting sport! Practice balancing using your skateboard and suitable footwear. You can skate outdoor at any time.	⬭	⬭	⬭	⬭	⬭	⬭
4. Enjoy board games! Gather friends, pick a game, and take turns. Have fun planning and laughing together for a memorable time.	⬭	⬭	⬭	⬭	⬭	⬭

READING 2 (Items 5–10) (6 marks)

Read the text. Then complete the task.

Zoos are places where animals from around the world live, and people visit them for various reasons. Some people believe that zoos are wonderful because they provide a chance to see animals up close. Zoos can be educational and fun, offering a unique opportunity to witness the diversity of the animal kingdom. The biggest entertaining zoo can be found in America where 17000 animals of 962 species live.

However, not everyone agrees that zoos are a good place for animals. They believed that animals feel sad and unhealthy in unnatural habitats. To deal with this worry, good zoos try to give animals big and natural spaces to live. For example, in Singapore animals are kept in huge enclosures so they can move freely and happily.

In summary, zoos are good places for entertainment and learning, but people should think about both sides. A good zoo with large space for animals and natural places can make everyone happy. People should continue to discuss and explore ways to make zoos better for both animals and visitors.

READING 2 (continued)

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

5. Some people believe that zoos are wonderful because they offer chance to _____.

⬭ feed animals ⬭ play with animals ⬭ see animals

6. Zoos can be a good way for _____.

⬭ Entertainment. ⬭ Entertainment and Education ⬭ Education

7. The biggest enjoyable zoo can be found in_____.

⬭ Japan ⬭ America ⬭ Germany

8. Animals, which are kept in big enclosures, feel_____.

⬭ happy ⬭ sad ⬭ healthy

9. The zoo in Singapore is described as _____.

⬭ small ⬭ unhealthy ⬭ natural

10. People should find ways to make zoos better for_____.

⬭ Animals ⬭ Visitors ⬭ Both animals and visitors

READING SCORE	
	10

WRITING 1 **(4 marks)**

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

The African Lion

live : grasslands /Africa

live : 10-14 years

brown fur/sharp claws/strong teeth

food: large mammals (zebras and oryx)

hunt : night

sleep : daytime

endangered/hunting and habitat loss

Marker A	Marker B	Average

WRITING 2 **(6 marks)**

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

Situation: Your friend Maher/Maha is doing a project about cities in Oman. He/she needs your help in this project. Write *an **email*** telling him/her about **a famous city in Oman**, the places you can visit there, things you can do and what you can see there.

Your writing should be clear and well-organized.

Marker A	Marker B	Average

WRITING SCORE	
	10