GOVERNORATE: DHOFAR **2023/2024**

ENGLISH LANGUAGE TEST

GRADE EIGHT

Semester One
Second Session

Name			
School		**Class**	

Write your answers on the Test Paper

Time: 2 hours **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. **Where are they***?*
Listen and for each item, shade in the bubble ⬭ under the correct option.

	circus	school	hospital	the market	plane	restaurant
1.	⬭	⬭	⬭	⬭	⬭	⬭
2.	⬭	⬭	⬭	⬭	⬭	⬭
3.	⬭	⬭	⬭	⬭	⬭	⬭
4.	⬭	⬭	⬭	⬭	⬭	⬭
5.	⬭	⬭	⬭	⬭	⬭	⬭

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

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

6. How old was Layla when her mother passed away?

_____

7. Where did Layla find the necklace?

_____

8. Who was the owner of the necklace?

_____

9. What did Fatima give Layla to thank her for her honesty?

_____

10. Why were the villagers proud of Layla?

_____

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) a person who takes care of sick people.

*e.g. My friend works in a health centre,. She is a **nu** _ _ _.*

2. (verb) to chase an animal or a bird to catch or kill.

*e.g. Three men tried to **hu** _ _ the tiger, but it escaped.*

3. (noun) things that you throw away because you don't need.

*e.g. Do not throw **rub** _ _ _ _ on the road.*

4. (adjective) very small.

*e.g. Ants are **ti** _ _ insects that live and work in groups.*

5. (adverb) after the expected or usual time.

*e.g. There was an accident in the street, so I arrived at school **la** _ _.*

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.)

One of the **(6)**_____ interesting books is "Multiple Intelligences". I **(7)**_____ read it many times. It is about ways of understanding. There are **(8)**_____ ways of understanding such as visual, musical, and logical understanding. For example, footballers are intelligent people because they **(9)**_____ use their body well. This kind of intelligence is **(10)**_____ bodily or movement intelligence. Therefore, every one of us is intelligent in one way or another.

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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.

Yesterday, Mona went **(11)**_____ the zoo. She **(12)**_____ a lot of animals. Some of these animals are **(13)**_____ as only a few of **(14)** _____ are still alive. The **(15)**_____ told them about the breeding projects done to protect these animals. She saw the elephants in **(16)**_____. There were different **(17)**_____ of birds **(18)**_____ in the aviary. Mona was frightened of the lion **(19)**_____ it looked scary. She also felt sad as some animals were **(20)**_____ in cages.

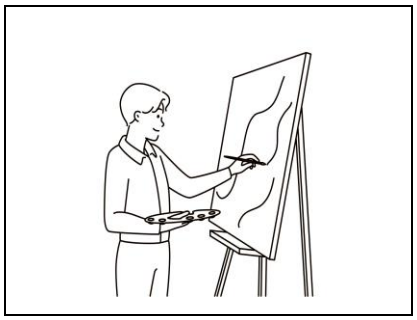
11.	⬭ from	⬭ to	⬭ at	⬭ in
12.	⬭ sees	⬭ see	⬭ will see	⬭ saw
13.	⬭ small	⬭ endangered	⬭ dead	⬭ large
14.	⬭ they	⬭ them	⬭ their	⬭ theirs
15.	⬭ zookeeper	⬭ fisherman	⬭ teacher	⬭ doctor
16.	⬭ holes	⬭ enclosure	⬭ houses	⬭ sea
17.	⬭ spices	⬭ spaces	⬭ species	⬭ skills
18.	⬭ flying	⬭ walking	⬭ swimming	⬭ running
19.	⬭ however	⬭ and	⬭ but	⬭ because
20.	⬭ kept	⬭ keep	⬭ keeping	⬭ keeps

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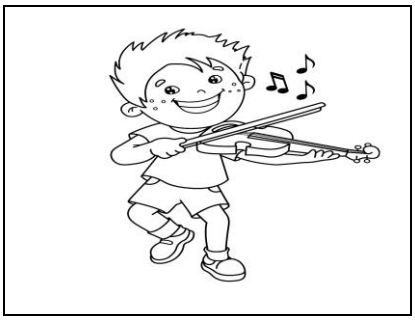
READING 1 (Items 1-4) (4 marks)

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

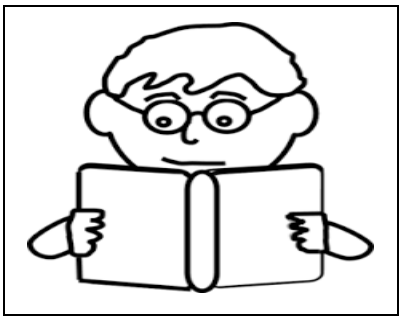
A.



B.



C.



D.



E.



F.



Texts	Pictures					
	A	B	C	D	E	F
1. Kate's favourite hobby is gardening. She loves flowers. She enjoys planting them in her beautiful garden. She waters them every day.	⬭	⬭	⬭	⬭	⬭	⬭
2. In his free time, Max enjoys painting. Most of his paintings are of nature. He is quite skilled at selecting lively colours.	⬭	⬭	⬭	⬭	⬭	⬭
3. Sarah likes cooking. Her favourite time is when she's in the kitchen, trying different recipes and mixing various ingredients to serve delicious meals.	⬭	⬭	⬭	⬭	⬭	⬭
4. Ahmed loves reading. His favourite books take him on adventures to everywhere in the world and filling his free time with joy.	⬭	⬭	⬭	⬭	⬭	⬭

READING 2 (Items 5–10) **(6 marks)**

Read the text. Then complete the task.

Online learning, which means studying and doing research using the internet, has become popular because it is easy and helpful.

One good thing about it is that you can learn whenever it suits you. You are free to choose the time and the place that is most convenient for you. It is like having a big digital library where you can pick from many subjects.

However, there are some challenges. It can be boring and difficult when you study alone. It is not like being in a real classroom with classmates. Moreover, it does not help you develop social skills. Also, technical problems, such as having problems with your computer or the internet, can be disappointing.

In conclusion, online learning is a useful tool. It offers flexibility and choices. But you need to stay focused and motivated, and overcome the feeling of being lonely. Technical difficulties can also hinder your learning. So, if you know how to deal with them, online learning can be a valuable treasure.

READING 2 (continued)

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

5. Online learning means using the internet to _____.

⬭ sell ⬭ study ⬭ buy

6. Everyone can use online learning for education as it is not _____.

⬭ difficult ⬭ easy ⬭ suitable

7. In online learning, you are free to choose the time and place that is _____ for you.

⬭ funny ⬭ suitable ⬭ noisy

8. Online learning is like having a big _____ that is always available.

⬭ museum ⬭ shop ⬭ library

9. Online learning can be _____ because you study alone.

⬭ helpful ⬭ boring ⬭ popular

10. Having technical problems with your _____ can affect online learning.

⬭ computer ⬭ radio ⬭ watch

READING SCORE	**10**

WRITING 1 **(4 marks)**

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

The fennec fox

lives/Sahara/North Africa

long tail/big ears

fur/thick/pale yellow active/at night

eat/insects/plants

weight/0.9 to 1.4 kg 40 cm/long

Marker A	Marker B	Average

WRITING 2 **(6 marks)**

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

Situation: Imagine that you are ***Nasser/Nassra***. Your friend Martin/Martina, from Britain, has a school project on "***Omani Culture***". Write an ***email*** to him/her about clothes, food, language and traditions of Omani people.

Your writing should be ***clear*** *and* ***well-organised****.*

Marker A	Marker B	Average

WRITING SCORE	
	10