GOVERNORATE: Dhahira **2023/2024**

ENGLISH LANGUAGE TEST

GRADE EIGHT

Semester One
First Session

Name			
School		**Class**	

Write your answers on the Test Paper

Time: 2 hours **Pages: 10**

TEST SCORES	**LISTENING**	١٠	
	GRM/VCB	١٠	
	READING	١٠	
	WRITING	١٠	
	TOTAL	٤٠	

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

You are going to hear five people speaking. What *are they* talking about*?*
Listen and for each item, shade in the bubble ⬭ under the correct option.

	Inventions	Zoos	Free time activities	Cities	Materials	Restaurant
١.	⬭	⬭	⬭	⬭	⬭	⬭
٢.	⬭	⬭	⬭	⬭	⬭	⬭
٣.	⬭	⬭	⬭	⬭	⬭	⬭
٤.	⬭	⬭	⬭	⬭	⬭	⬭
٥.	⬭	⬭	⬭	⬭	⬭	⬭

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

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

٦. Where did Sara and her family travel?

_____

٧. What did Sars's family visit on the first day?

_____

٨. What did Sara buy for her friend Fatma?

_____

٩. Who was lost in the suq?

_____

١٠. How many days did the family stay in Alexandria?

_____

LISTENING SCORE	١٠

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.*

١. (verb) to make and create new ideas.

*e.g. Thomas Adison **in** _ _ _ _ _ _ the light bulb in 1879.*

٢. (noun) the activity of spending a holiday in a tent.

*e.g. We are going **ca _ _ _ _ _** next week.*

٣. (verb) to chase and kill an animal.

*e.g. animals are **hu** _ _ _ _ for their meat.*

٤. (noun) a material used to make clothes.

*e.g. The **fa** _ _ _ _ of this dress is so soft.*

٥. (noun) a large town.

*e.g. Muscat is the most beautiful **ci**_ _ in Oman.* .

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.)

At weekends, we used to **(6)**_____ shopping, but this weakened, we travelled to my uncle's house. In my uncle's house, there is a**(7)**_____ big tree that I could not climb. It is **(8)**_____ tallest tree I have ever seen. My brother tried to climb it, but unfortunately he fell down. His arm **(9)**_____ broken. The doctor told him to stay at home **(10)**_____ have rest to recover quickly.

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٦.	⬭	⬭	⬭	⬭	⬭	⬭	⬭	⬭	⬭	⬭
٧.	⬭	⬭	⬭	⬭	⬭	⬭	⬭	⬭	⬭	⬭
٨.	⬭	⬭	⬭	⬭	⬭	⬭	⬭	⬭	⬭	⬭
٩.	⬭	⬭	⬭	⬭	⬭	⬭	⬭	⬭	⬭	⬭
١٠.	⬭	⬭	⬭	⬭	⬭	⬭	⬭	⬭	⬭	⬭

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

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

Riyadh is the (11)_____ city of Saudi Arabia. Its weather (12)_____ hot and dry in summer, (13)_____ cold and wet in winter. It has a (14)_____ of 7 million people. You can do many (15)_____ in Riyadh like riding camels (16)_____ visiting historical places. There are a lot (17)_____ wadis in Riyadh. (18)_____ longest wadi is about 120 km. You can not (19)_____ Riyadh without eating from its famous (20)_____ like kabsa and mandi.

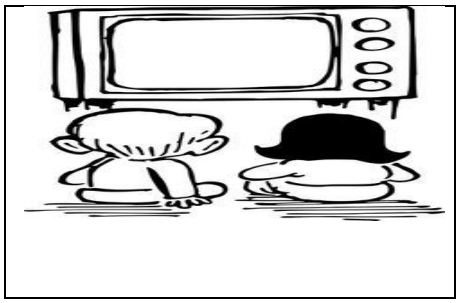
١١.	⬭ capital	⬭ population	⬭ village	⬭ country
١٢.	⬭ is	⬭ are	⬭ was	⬭ were
١٣.	⬭ because	⬭ but	⬭ about	⬭ in
١٤.	⬭ school	⬭ population	⬭ house	⬭ hotel
١٥.	⬭ books	⬭ activities	⬭ cities	⬭ towns
١٦.	⬭ because	⬭ but	⬭ and	⬭ so
١٧.	⬭ about	⬭ In	⬭ of	⬭ on
١٨.	⬭ Too	⬭ Of	⬭ The	⬭ In
١٩.	⬭ travel	⬭ arrive	⬭ go	⬭ visit
٢٠.	⬭ cities	⬭ mountains	⬭ places	⬭ food

GRM/VCB SCORE	١٠

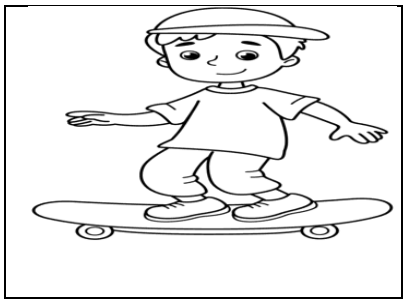
READING 1 (Items 1-4) (4 marks)

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

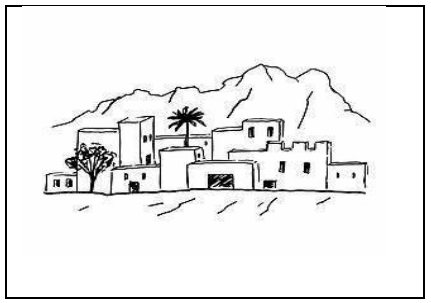
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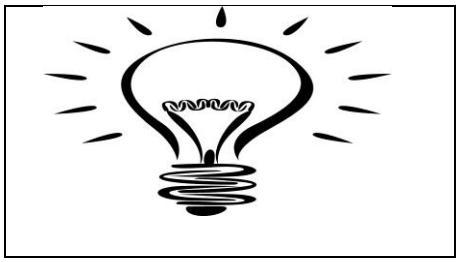
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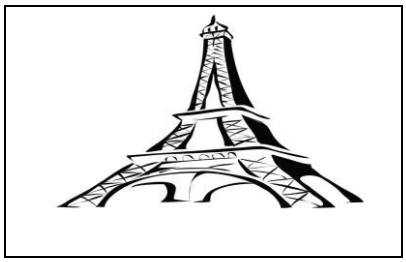
C.



D.



E.



F.



Texts	Pictures					
	A	B	C	D	E	F
١. Ali is 12 years old. After school, he likes skate boarding in the park near his house. In the evening, he likes reading books.	⬭	⬭	⬭	⬭	⬭	⬭
٢. Eiffel tower is the most famous attraction in Paris. It is 330 meters. People like to visit it and take photos.	⬭	⬭	⬭	⬭	⬭	⬭
٣. Tomas Edison invented more than1000 inventions. The most famous invention is the light bulb. It was cheap and long-lasting.	⬭	⬭	⬭	⬭	⬭	⬭
٤. Maha likes sewing in her free time. She likes to make dresses for her sister. She also makes dresses for her dolls.	⬭	⬭	⬭	⬭	⬭	⬭

READING 2 (Items 5–10) **(6 marks)**

Read the text. Then complete the task.

A zoo is a place that keeps different animals and birds. The animals and birds are kept in an enclosed area. It is not only a favourite place for kids, but also for a lot of adults and especially for those who love animals. Spending a day at a zoo can teach you great lessons. The zookeepers of the zoo protect animals and birds with greatest care. Every animal is provided with the food of their choice. However, the visitors are not allowed to feed the animals. The guides in the zoo explain to the visitors about the animals, their origins and their history.

However, many people see zoos as a bad place for animals. Animals in zoos are often kept in unnatural places, which can lead to health problems. For example, animals in zoos often live in small, dirty cages that do not allow them to move around freely. This can lead to problems such as getting fat and heart disease in zoo animals. Zoos are also used for entertainment purposes instead of conservation. For example, many zoos display rare animals that few people will ever see in the wild. This may make them endangered or extinct.

READING 2 (continued)

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

٥. A zoo is _____ area.

⬭ an open ⬭ a huge ⬭ a closed

٦. _____ take care of animals.

⬭ Visitors ⬭ Zookeepers ⬭ Kids

٧. Visitors _____ feed animals..

⬭ can ⬭ usually ⬭ can not

٨. The _____ give information to people about animals.

⬭ visitors ⬭ zookeepers ⬭ guides

٩. Some people think that zoos are bad because animals are kept in _____ cages.

⬭ big ⬭ dirty ⬭ Clean

١٠. Animals can be _____ because zoos use rare animals for entertainment.

⬭ hunted ⬭ extinct ⬭ protected

READING SCORE	
	١٠

WRITING 1 **(4 marks)**

Write a paragraph about a person *called* ***Elon Musk*** *. Use* ***ALL*** *the information in the box. Your writing should be correct and well organized.*

Elon Musk

born/1971/ South Africa

has / 10 children

study/university/ 1992

12 years old /make / a video game

the richest / in the world own/six companies

Marker A	Marker B	Average

WRITING 2 **(6 marks)**

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

Situation: Your friend Fahad\ Zainab has a school project about other countries. Write a ***letter/email*** to him\ her telling him\her about Oman. Tell him about (people, weather, beautiful places…. etc).

Your writing should be clear or and organised.

Marker A	Marker B	Average

WRITING SCORE	
	١٠