



Asian Grammar School  
English Language  
Grade 9  
1<sup>st</sup> Term Test

Marks

Name :-

Class :-

(2,1/2 hours)

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- 1) Place the right words in the following sentences.  
(who, whom, whose, which)

(05 marks)

- That is the boy \_\_\_\_\_ broke the window.
- That is the stone \_\_\_\_\_ broke the window.
- That is the man \_\_\_\_\_ window was broken.
- That is the boy \_\_\_\_\_ I saw breaking the window.
- That is the boy \_\_\_\_\_ told me that he broke the window.

- 2) Place the following words in the sentences best suited to their use.  
(finished, stopped, completed, concluded, ended)

(05 marks)

- His watch \_\_\_\_\_ at six o'clock.
- I remember how the story \_\_\_\_\_
- I have \_\_\_\_\_ my lessons.
- They have \_\_\_\_\_ the alterations.
- The meeting \_\_\_\_\_ with the national Anthem.

- 3) There are errors in the following sentences. Rewrite them correctly.

(05 marks)

- Who did you see at the party?

\_\_\_\_\_

- He was angry at me for leaving.

\_\_\_\_\_

- Where is my boots?

\_\_\_\_\_



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- He done his work correctly.

\_\_\_\_\_

- John has broke his leg.

\_\_\_\_\_

4) Write the suitable words in the blank. (05 marks)  
(**microscope, sergeant, surgeon, albumen, triangle**)

- A doctor who performs operations \_\_\_\_\_
- An instrument for seeing tiny objects \_\_\_\_\_
- A soldier with three stripes on each arm \_\_\_\_\_
- A three sided figure \_\_\_\_\_
- White of an egg \_\_\_\_\_

6) Underline the correct word. (05 marks)

- William can (run / ran) faster than (me / I)
- It was (me / I) who (did / done) it.
- Anne and (he / him) (has / have) gone on holiday.
- (He / Him) and (me / I) are twelve years of age.
- It was (I / my) mistake.
- I blamed (me / myself)

07) Fill in the blanks with **a, an** or **the**. (05 marks)

- They usually spend their holidays in \_\_\_\_\_ hills.
- Kandy has \_\_\_\_\_ ideal climate.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Sun rises in the east.
- Someone call \_\_\_\_\_ police.
- This is \_\_\_\_\_ best Sri Lankan restaurant in the city.



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08) Fill in the blanks with the correct spelling.

(05 marks)

- Distribute this \_\_\_\_\_  
(questionair, questionnaire, questionaire, questionnair)
- This is so \_\_\_\_\_  
(embarrassing, embarrassing, embarrassing, embarassing)
- This is \_\_\_\_\_  
(inturesteng, intrasting, interesting, intresting)
- He is very \_\_\_\_\_  
(weard, weird, weaurd, veird)
- Do not \_\_\_\_\_ me.  
(disappoint, disapoint, dissappoint, dissaapoint)

09) Place the right words in the following sentences.

(05 marks)

**(school, pack, bunch, flight, band)**

- All night we could hear the \_\_\_\_\_ of wolves howling.
- A long \_\_\_\_\_ of steps lead to the top of the tower.
- We picked a \_\_\_\_\_ of grapes from the vine.
- We watched the \_\_\_\_\_ of whales swimming.
- A \_\_\_\_\_ of thieves stole the precious diamonds.
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10) Write the correct form of the verb in the blanks.

(02 marks)

- Everyday John gets up and \_\_\_\_\_ exercises in the garden (do).
- Last night in Ratnapura many trees \_\_\_\_\_ down in the storm (blow).

11) Underline the correct word which is suitable for the blank.

(03 marks)

- Nirmala is a \_\_\_\_\_ girl (better, good, well)
- She behaves very \_\_\_\_\_ (better, good, well)
- Orchids are more expensive \_\_\_\_\_ anthuriums (the, than, and)



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12) Select the correct preposition to fill in the blanks.

(04 marks)

**(From, on, by, about, at, across, down, over, of, for)**

- Tell me something \_\_\_\_\_ yourself.
- I'll see you \_\_\_\_\_ 8 o'clock.
- Shall we go out \_\_\_\_\_ friday?
- He swam \_\_\_\_\_ the river to the other side.
- Do you go to school \_\_\_\_\_ bus?
- He broke his leg when he fell \_\_\_\_\_ the stairs.
- What did you buy \_\_\_\_\_ your mother?
- The boy jumped \_\_\_\_\_ the wall.

13) Complete the dialogue using the given phrases.

(05 marks)

- Darshana : Hello uncle! It's nice to see you.  
                  : (a) \_\_\_\_\_
- Uncle : (b) \_\_\_\_\_
- Darshana : Oh really did you enjoy your trip to Polonnaruwa?
- Uncle : (c) \_\_\_\_\_  
                  : Visiting the palace and Royal pavilion was a wonderful experience.
- Darshana : (d) \_\_\_\_\_
- Uncle : I will take you there during the school holidays.  
                  : (e) \_\_\_\_\_
- Darshana : Thank you uncle.

**That's promise / Yes I loved it / Where have you been? / I would love to go there too / I was in Polonnaruwa**



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14) Match the statement and questions in column A with the correct responses in column B. Write the correct number in the box. (05 marks)

A	
Please excuse me for being late.	<input type="text"/>
It's raining very heavily.	<input type="text"/>
Shall I serve you a little more rice.	<input type="text"/>
You look very smart!	<input type="text"/>
Would you mind if I open the window?	<input type="text"/>

- B**
1. Not at all, it's quite ok with me.
  2. It's ok please sit down.
  3. Thanks for your compliments.
  4. No, thanks. I'm already full.
  5. I think it'll clear up soon.

15) Write meaningful sentences using the following words. (05 marks)

**provide, compulsory, suggest, personal, occupy**

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16) Write the negative form of the following sentences.

(05 marks)

- My mother is busy on the other phone.

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- Sam was hungry.

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- He had been living in Sri Lanka.

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- The journey takes a long time.

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- Kavya is making a pie.

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17) Read the passage. Then answer the question below.

(06 marks)

When you imagine the desert, you probably think of a very hot place covered with sand. Although this is a good description for many deserts, Earth's largest desert is actually a very cold place covered with ice: Antarctica.

In order for an area to be considered a desert, it must receive very little rainfall. More specifically, it must receive an average of less than ten inches of precipitation—which can be rain, sleet, hail, or snow—on the ground every year. Antarctica, the coldest place on earth, has an average temperature that usually falls below the freezing point. And because cold air holds less moisture than warm air, the air in Antarctica does not hold much moisture at all. This is evident in the low precipitation statistics recorded for Antarctica. For example, the central part of Antarctica receives an average of less than 2 inches of snow every year. The coastline of Antarctica receives a little bit more—between seven and eight inches a year. Because Antarctica gets so little precipitation every year, it is considered a desert.

When precipitation falls in hot deserts, it quickly evaporates back into the atmosphere. The air over Antarctica is too cold to hold water vapor, so there is very little evaporation. Due to this low rate of evaporation, most of the snow that falls to the ground remains there permanently, eventually building up into thick ice sheets. Any snow that does not freeze into ice sheets becomes caught up in the strong winds that constantly blow over Antarctica. These snow-filled winds can make it look as if it is snowing. Even though snowfall is very rare there, blizzards are actually very common on Antarctica.

### Questions

1. What is the passage about?

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2. The main purpose of paragraph 1 is to
- accept a conclusion
  - introduce an argument
  - provide a brief history
  - deny a common belief
3. The best title for this passage would be
- Earth's Many Deserts
  - Antarctica: The Coldest Place on Earth
  - A Desert of Ice
  - Unusual Blizzards
4. Africa's Sahara Desert is the second-largest desert on earth. Based on the information in the passage, what characteristic must the Sahara share with Antarctica?
- low temperatures
  - high temperatures
  - frequent blizzards
  - low precipitation
5. As used in paragraph 2, which is the best definition for **precipitation**?
- moisture in the air that falls to the ground
  - any type of weather event
  - weather events that only happen in very cold areas
  - a blizzard that occurs in areas with limited snowfall
6. In paragraph 2 the author writes, "And because cold air holds less moisture than warm air, the air in Antarctica does not hold much moisture at all." Using this information, it can be understood that
- air in Africa holds more moisture than the air in Antarctica
  - air surrounding a tropical island holds less moisture than the air in Antarctica
  - air in the second floor of a house is typically warmer than air on the first floor
  - air at the mountains is typically colder than the air at the beach
- 18) Assume that you are the secretary of the school English literary Association. Write a letter to the principal asking for permission to organize an inter-house quiz competition. (08 marks)
- 19) Write an essay on one of the following (150-200 words) (12 marks)
- Importance of sport activities
  - Protect the environment.
  - If you had a time machine, what famous moment in history would you like to witness?
  - What you think makes a good teacher.
- 20) Book maintenance. (05 marks)