



Asian Grammar School
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Grade 8
English Language

Marks

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Time -2 Hours

Paper - / 95

Book - / 5

1) Read the passage and answer the questions.

(10 Marks)

In Athens, and throughout ancient Greece, Daedalus was a renowned craftsman and inventor. He had taken on his nephew, Talos, as an **apprentice**, but by the age of twelve Talos had surpassed his master in skill. One day Talos studied the spine of a fish, copied it in iron, and so invented the first saw. He also invented the Potter's Wheel and a compass for making out circles. Instead of being **delighted** at his nephews' inventions, Daedalus grew increasingly jealous. Hadn't he invented the first saw, not his nephew? Wasn't he the great Athenian inventor, rather than this mere boy, Talos?

His jealousy grew and **festered** inside him. At last, as Talos's skills developed, Daedalus's jealousy became unbearable to him and he devised an evil plan. He invited Talos up to the roof of Athene's temple in the Acropolis to see the wonderful view from the top. Talos went happily with his uncle. Daedalus did indeed show him the impressive view, but as the boy gazed entranced at the temples far below, Daedalus pushed him over the edge. Daedalus tried to bury his nephew's body secretly, but he was found out and banished. Talos was buried where he fell and his body flew off in the form of a partridge.

a) What was the age of Talos when he had surpassed his master's skill?

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b) How did Talos invent the first saw?

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c) Give two inventions of Talos other than the saw.

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ii.

d) Who devised an evil plan?

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❖OTHER ACHIEVEMENTS .

- STAGE DRAMA : 1ST PLACE 2017 .
- STAGE DRAMA : DISTRICT 1ST PLACE 2017.
- THE WENDY WHATMORE ACADEMY OF SPEECH AND DRAMA EXTERNAL DIVISION - PASSED 2012 .
- THE WENDY WHATMORE ACADEMY OF SPEECH AND DRAMA EXTERNAL DIVISION - 1ST PLACE 2012.
- THE AWARD FOR MOST GROOMED STUDENT FEBRUARY 2013 .
- AJMAN INTERMEDIATE ENGLISH SCHOOL FANCY DRESS COMPETITION - 1ST PLACE (2008).

❖POSITIONS HELD AT SCHOOL .

- DELTA HOUSE CAPTAIN 2019.
- SERGEANT-AT-ARMS INTERACT CLUB OF AGS.
- FOOTBALL CAPTAIN -2011,2012,2013.
- CLASS MONITOR GRADE – 8 , 9 , 10 , 11.

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n) What is the type of tense in the sentence you copied?

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o) Change the sentence into Past Continuous Tense.

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2) Rearrange the words to form meaningful sentences.

(10 Marks)

a) have / so / I / never / far/ run

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b) continuously / he / for three hours / stood / gate / the / near

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c) ground / be / the / please / by 5 p.m. / tomorrow / at

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d) the / cricket / in / never / school / plays / Kamal

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e) hard / the / year / practiced / team / whole / the

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3) Write the following sentences in their question form.

(10 Marks)

a) They were travelling long distances on the backs of animals.

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b) He reads an interesting novel.

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c) She plays for her school Netball Team.

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d) Kamal hasn't moved to Jaffna.

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e) Nimal had been working the same organization for fifteen years.

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I apply to prefect ship to serve my school to see.

e) What is the form in which Talos's soul flew off?

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f) Underline the word which goes with the meaning of the given words from the paragraph.

- i. apprentice - appreciating / trainee / acting
- ii. festered – felt / became worse / feasted
- iii. delighted - pleased / lighted again / devastated

g) Find the antonym (opposite) words for the following words from the passage.

- i. modern
- ii. servant
- iii. good
- iv. lost
- v. decreasing

h) Find the synonyms (similar) words for the following words from the passage.

- i. overjoyed
- ii. created
- iii. envious
- iv. privately
- v. breath-taking

i) Write two words from the passage that best describe Daedalus **before** he took his nephew as his apprentice.

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j) Write two words from the passage that best describe Daedalus **after** he took his nephew as his apprentice.

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❖QUALIFICATIONS.

EDUCATIONAL QUALIFICATIONS:

❖O/L RESULTS

SCIENCE	C
MATHS	S
SINHALA	S
ENGLISH	A
HISTORY	C
RELIGION	S
COMMERCE	S
ART	C
PHYSICAL EDUCATION	A

❖IDM . -	-	DISTINCTION	-	(2008).
	-	CREDIT	-	(2009).
	-	DISTINCTION	-	(2010).
	-	GENERAL	-	(2011).
	-	GENERAL PASS	-	(2012).

k) Write five sentences using the words from the passage given below.

i. studied

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ii. jealous

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iii. unbearable

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iv. gazed

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v. banished

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l) The passage starts with:

“In Athens, and throughout ancient Greece, Daedalus was a renowned craftsmen and inventor.”

i. Using your knowledge of nouns and pronouns, underline the noun and circle the pronoun.

ii. What type of a noun have you underlined?

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m) Copy and write one sentence from the passage which has a verb (action words) from the passage.

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❖EXTRA CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES.

- DISCUSS THROW - 1ST PLACE UNDER 20 (2019).
- SHOTPUT - 1ST PLACE UNDER 20 (2019).
- JAVELIN - 1ST PLACE UNDER 18 (2017).
- DISCUSS THROW - 2ND PLACE UNDER 18 (2017).
- SHOTPUT - 3RD PLACE UNDER 18 (2017).
- AISL JAVELIN - 3RD PLACE UNDER 18 (2017).
- AISL BADMINTON - 2ND RUNNERUP UNDER 15 (2013).
- AISL SOCCER - 1ST PLACE UNDER 13 (2011).
- SWIMMING RELAY - 3RD PLACE 4*25 UNDER 18 (2017).
- WUSHU (TALOU) - 2ND PLACE UNDER 12 (2011).
- WUSHU (5 STEPS) - 2ND PLACE UNDER 12 (2011).
- WUSHU TRAINING CAMP ATTENDANCE .
- FFSL CERTIFICATE OF ATTENDANCE (2011).

4) Tick the correct form of the verb in each sentence.

(10 Marks)

- a) She (looks / looked) around, but didn't see anybody.
- b) She said nothing when I (asked / had asked) her what her problem (is / was)
- c) They (were sleeping / slept) when the burglars (broke / had broken) into their home.
- d) Ever since I (had left, left) Matara since 2002, I (live / have been living / have lived) in Colombo.
- e) My grandfather (built / has been building) this home in 1965.
- f) He (risks / risked) his life to save the injured.
- g) I (was eating / am eating) when she rang the bell.

5) Frame questions for the answers with appropriate verbs in the Simple Past Tense.

(10 marks)

- a)?
I came to school by bus.
- b)?
Yes. She had her breakfast.
- c)?
I did Combined Maths for my Advanced Level.
- d)?
She taught me how to do this.
- e)?
I played cricket in the evening.

6) Write a letter of complaint to the Mayor of the Urban Council Matara, mentioning the improper garbage collection in your area and ask him / her to take necessary actions regarding it.

(10 Marks)

7) Write an essay on one of the following topics. Your essay must consist a minimum of 200 words.

(10 Marks)

- a) Our school sports meet.
- b) Importance of maintaining good discipline.

❖ PAST PREFECTSHIPS : NONE

❖ MY CONTRIBUTION TO THE SCHOOL.

- ATTENDED TO ALL THE CLEANING CAMPAIGNS.
- HELPED THE PREFECT'S GUILD FOR THEIR PREFECT'S DAY.
- HELPED (ART) TEACHER TO PAINT THE WALLS.
- HELPED TO PAINT TABLES AND CHAIRS.

❖ MY PARENTS CONTRIBUTION TO THE SCHOOL.

- HELPED TO THE CLEANING CAMPAIGNS.
- PARTICIPATED IN THE SCHOOL SPORTSMEET EVENTS.
- HELPED TO PAINT CLASSROOMS

• I HERE BY THE ABOVE INFORMATIONS ARE TRUE AND
ASSURE THAT
ACCURATE

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(YOHAN TIRON)