

ENGLISH LANGUAGE TEST

GRADE NINE

Semester One
First 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 Teens speaking. **What are their hobbies?**

Listen and for each item, shade in the bubble ☐ under the correct option.

reading books	listening to music	taking photos	Fishing	shopping	watching cartoons
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| 4. | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ |
| 5. | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ |

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

You are going to hear **Ali** talking about **his first time going to the cinema**.
Listen and for each item, write a short answer (**not more than FOUR WORDS**).

6. How old was Ali when he first went to the cinema?

_____.

7. Who went with Ali to the cinema?

_____.

8. What was the name of the first film Ali watched?

_____.

9. Why did Ali start to cry in the cinema?

_____.

10. When does Ali usually like to go to the cinema?

_____ (Day).

**LISTENING
SCORE**

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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.** (adjective) not clean

e.g. Your hands are **di** _ _ _.

- 2.** (verb) to speak very loudly.

e.g., "I can't hear you, you need to **sh** _ _ _" said the old man.

- 3.** (noun) something you experience in your mind when you are sleeping.

e.g. I used to **dr** _ _ _ about becoming a doctor and help people.

- 4.** (adjective) always doing something.

e.g. The **act** _ _ _ child runs around the playground all day.

- 5.** (adverb) not quickly.

e.g. She walked **slo** _ _ _ back to the kitchen.



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.)

Salim and Ali, ⁽⁶⁾ _____ are university students, are fast runners. They won many prizes in international races among countries. They ⁽⁷⁾ _____ on a running race yesterday when it rained heavily in Muscat. They ⁽⁸⁾ _____ continue running because the ground was full of water. They decided to ⁽⁹⁾ _____ to the hotel and start the race again ⁽¹⁰⁾ _____ the ground is dry.

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| 9. | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ |
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GRAMMAR/VOCABULARY (Items 11-20)**(5 marks)**

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

Aesop's fables are a collection ⁽¹¹⁾ _____ stories which were ⁽¹²⁾ _____ by a man who ⁽¹³⁾ _____ in the Ancient Greece between 620 and 650 BC. ⁽¹⁴⁾ _____ are mostly short stories that ⁽¹⁵⁾ _____ people about life. Each fable ends with ⁽¹⁶⁾ _____ moral. In fables, the ⁽¹⁷⁾ _____ are animals that act and talk like people. Aesop's fables are the ⁽¹⁸⁾ _____ famous fables in the world. Many of ⁽¹⁹⁾ _____ were translated into many different ⁽²⁰⁾ _____.

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| 12. ☐ written | ☐ taken | ☐ broken | ☐ fallen |
| 13. ☐ live | ☐ lived | ☐ living | ☐ lively |
| 14. ☐ I | ☐ He | ☐ We | ☐ They |
| 15. ☐ think | ☐ reply | ☐ do | ☐ teach |
| 16. ☐ then | ☐ that | ☐ a | ☐ an |
| 17. ☐ authors | ☐ teachers | ☐ characters | ☐ doctors |
| 18. ☐ enough | ☐ most | ☐ much | ☐ more |
| 19. ☐ my | ☐ your | ☐ them | ☐ his |
| 20. ☐ categories | ☐ contents | ☐ poems | ☐ languages |

**GRM/VCB
SCORE**

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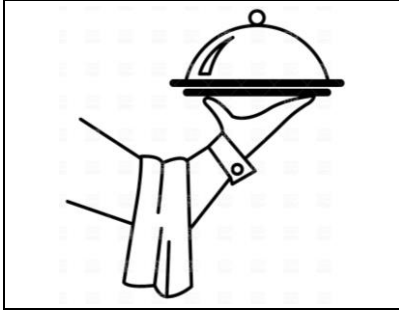
READING 1 (Items 1-4)

(4 marks)

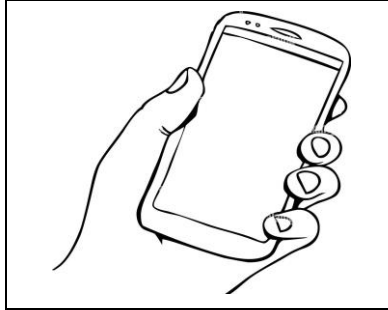
Match the texts with the pictures.

For each text, shade in the bubble ☐ under the correct option.

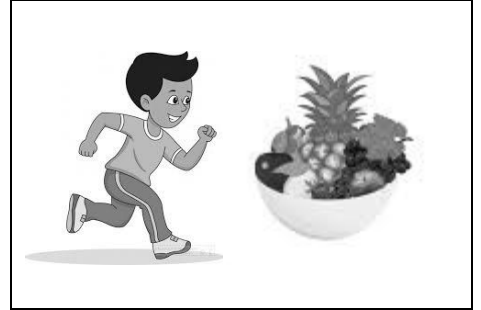
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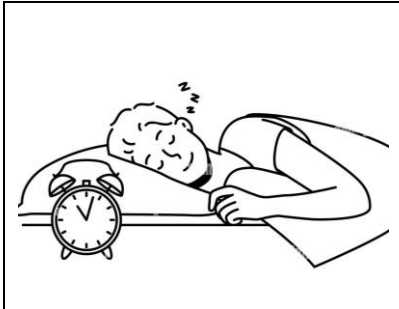
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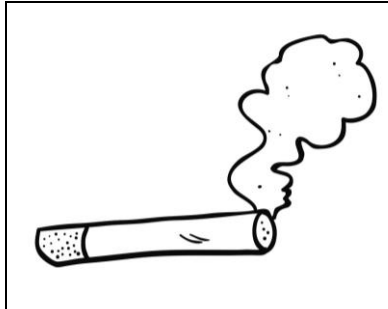
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D.



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Texts

Pictures

1. When you go out, make sure that you keep your mobile phone close to you. This helps in case of emergencies.
2. You should keep up a healthy lifestyle. So, you should commit to eat healthy food and do exercise.
3. If you are in pain, you can buy a variety of painkillers from the pharmacy.
4. Sleeping well at night keeps you refreshed and focused during the whole day. So, you should sleep early every day.

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READING 2 (Items 5–10)**(6 marks)***Read the text. Then complete the task.*

Fast food is convenient, cheap, and tasty. That's why billions of people have eaten it and that's why those billions will continue to eat it. The truth is that fast food restaurants are destroying us. We eat fast food with no regard to the harm it does to us, and our society. It's addicting too, your brain sends the message saying it wants more and more. Fast food will turn you from being healthy and fit to a sick and overweight individual.

How many people do you see that are overweight or obese? Chances are 9 out of 10 of those people regularly eat fast food. The reality is our bodies need nutrients from food like fruits and vegetables. We need lots of whole grain in our diet. The bun of a fast-food burger isn't whole grain. It's made using only one part of the grain, and it's not the nutrient part. Then if we're still talking about burgers here, we come to the meat part. The beef comes from cows slaughtered and torn apart by dirty machines.

We are all independent people. We have the right to make our own decisions. I've decided not to give my money to fast food companies. No one has to do that, but seriously I believe that if more people start making good decisions, the world will be a better place.

READING 2 (continued)

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

5. People prefer fast food because it is _____.

☐ healthy

☐ unhealthy

☐ tasty

6. Fast food is causing harm to societies and _____.

☐ restaurants

☐ people

☐ chiefs

7. The word "addicting" in paragraph one means _____.

☐ can't stop

☐ can control

☐ not important

8. The text shows that _____ of fat people are eating fast food.

☐ half

☐ less than half

☐ more than half

9. The meat of the fast food is not healthy because of _____ machines.

☐ clean

☐ old

☐ dirty

10. The writer decided to _____ buying from fast food restaurants.

☐ stop

☐ stay

☐ continue

**READING
SCORE**

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WRITING 1

(4 marks)

Write a paragraph about an author called **Jane Austen**. Use **ALL** the information in the box. Your writing should be correct and well-organized.

Jane Austen

born / Steventon / 1775

father / teacher

seven / brothers and sister

wrote / novels / plays

six / novels

first novel / Sense and Sensibility / 1811

died / July 18th, 1817

Marker A	Marker B	Average

WRITING 2

(6 marks)

Complete the following task. Write **at least 75 words**.

Situation: You are **Naser/Nada**. Imagine that your British friend **John/ Julia** wants to spend two-week holiday in your region and has written asking for information and advice. Write a **letter/email** to your friend to tell him/her when to come, where to go and the activities they can do to.

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

[illegible]

Marker A	Marker B	Average

**WRITING
SCORE**

10

