

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 people speaking. **What are they doing?**

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

talking
about work

shopping

playing
basketballwatching
a movie

teaching

cooking

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

You are going to hear about **Nasser's trip to Jamaica**.

Listen and for each item, write a short answer (**not more than FOUR WORDS**).

6. When did Nasser go to Jamaica?

_____ (year)

7. Who went with Nasser to Jamaica?

_____.

8. How much did the hotel cost a day?

_____.

9. Where did Nasser go on the first day?

_____.

10. What did Nasser see in the forest?

_____.

**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) the coins or notes which are used to buy things.

e.g. I wanted to buy it, but it cost too much **mo** _ _ _.

2. (verb) to make information available to people especially in books.

e.g. The writer plans to **pub** _ _ _ _ his book next June.

3. (adjective) not straight, with curves.

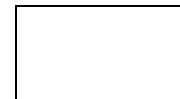
e.g. He has got short brown **cu** _ _ _ hair.

4. (noun) a substance that is given to people to treat illnesses.

e.g. The new **dr** _ _ is used to cure the new virus.

5. (adjective) behaving in a kind and pleasant way.

e.g. Everyone in school likes her because she is **frie** _ _ _ _.



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.)

My office is a place ⁽⁶⁾ _____ I can do my work and feel relaxed ⁽⁷⁾ _____ the same time. Of course, I have all the necessary equipment on my desk. I have the telephone next ⁽⁸⁾ _____ the fax machine. My computer is in the center of my desk ⁽⁹⁾ _____ the calander is directly in front of me. I have ⁽¹⁰⁾ _____ comfortable office chair to sit on.

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7. ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐
8. ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐
9. ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐
10. ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐

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

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

I ⁽¹¹⁾ _____ television can be good ⁽¹²⁾ _____ bad. ⁽¹³⁾ _____ example, television is good because it makes our lives ⁽¹⁴⁾ _____ interesting. Also, television helps people learn more ⁽¹⁵⁾ _____ the world because people ⁽¹⁶⁾ _____ many new places when they watch films and reports. ⁽¹⁷⁾ _____ television can also be bad. Many people become fat because ⁽¹⁸⁾ _____ watch television all day and ⁽¹⁹⁾ _____ exercise. Also, television ⁽²⁰⁾ _____ the eyes if you watch it for a long time.

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| 11. ☐ ride | ☐ Like | ☐ live | ☐ think |
| 12. ☐ at | ☐ Of | ☐ in | ☐ or |
| 13. ☐ If | ☐ That | ☐ For | ☐ Out |
| 14. ☐ by | ☐ with | ☐ any | ☐ more |
| 15. ☐ about | ☐ as | ☐ where | ☐ when |
| 16. ☐ hit | ☐ See | ☐ cut | ☐ eat |
| 17. ☐ Behind | ☐ Under | ☐ However | ☐ Above |
| 18. ☐ he | ☐ she | ☐ they | ☐ it |
| 19. ☐ don't | ☐ wasn't | ☐ isn't | ☐ hasn't |
| 20. ☐ fixes | ☐ hurts | ☐ makes | ☐ becomes |

GR SCORE**10**

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

1. I like collecting old coins. I started collecting coins three years ago. My dream is to have coins from all over the world.
2. I like capturing views of what I see using my own camera. Photography is an interesting way to spend my time.
3. I like to spend time with my father. When I was younger, we used to go fishing because it helps us relax.
4. I like hanging out with my friends. I spend most of my free time shopping with them.

A	B	C	D	E	F
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READING 2 (Items 5–10)**(6 marks)***Read the text. Then complete the task.*

We love using our laptops, smart phones and iPads. Internet is the big reason behind spending so much time on these devices. Internet is probably one of the greatest inventions of the century. It made life easier. Before this invention, we had to go to the library to do our research. Nowadays, we can use search engines such as Google to search for information. We can do many things online. We can shop, chat in Facebook or Skype, watch YouTube, earn money from blogging, and many more!

Internet has a lot of advantages. You can communicate in a second with a person who is in the other part of the world. You can establish global friendship where you can share your thoughts and explore other cultures. Information is probably the biggest advantage that internet offers. You can find any kind of information online. Entertainment is another popular reason why many people prefer to surf the internet.

One of the most disadvantages of internet is "Theft of Personal Information". If you use internet for online banking, social networking, or other services, you may risk sharing your personal information with others without your knowledge. So, we need to be very careful while using internet. Another disadvantage is "Social Disconnect". People now only meet on social networks. More and more people are getting apart from their friends and families. Even children prefer to play online games rather than going out and playing with other kids.

READING 2 (continued)

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

5. People spend _____ time on the internet.
☐ a lot of ☐ little ☐ some
6. Research in the past was done using _____.
☐ library ☐ Google ☐ shops
7. By using the internet, it takes a second to make a _____ online.
☐ meal ☐ call ☐ future
8. A popular reason why people prefer to surf the internet is _____.
☐ recycling ☐ environment ☐ entertainment
9. Theft of Personal Information is one of the internet _____.
☐ advantages ☐ social networking ☐ disadvantages
10. People need to be very _____ when using the internet.
☐ careful ☐ weak ☐ social

**READING
SCORE**

10

WRITING 1**(4 marks)**

Write a paragraph about a **writer** called **Tawfiq Al-Hakim**. Use **ALL** the information in the box. Your writing should be correct and well-organized.

Tawfiq Al-Hakim

born / Alexandria / 1898

famous / play writer

school / Cairo

worked / government

first play / French / 'The fate of the cockroach'

wrote / many books

died / 1987

Marker A	Marker B	Average

WRITING 2

(6 marks)

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

Situation: You are ***Amal/Ahmed***. Your friend ***Sally/Sam*** is collecting data for a school project about what students at grade 9 do every day. Write a ***letter/email*** to tell him/her about your daily routine.

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

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**WRITING
SCORE**

10