





Test 9

Select a word from the box which has a similar meaning to the phrase given within brackets and write it in the space provided. The first one is done for you. There are three extra words.  $(1 \times 5 = 5 \text{ marks})$ 

performing, origin, regular, existence, traditional, life, innovations, possible, modern

Kandyan dancing is popularly known as "Udarata Natum" derived its name from the (1) ...traditional... (belonging to the ways of behaving that have been established for a long time) dance forms peculiar to the central region of Sri Lanka. The (2) ...... (Thing from which something comes) of Kandyan dancing can be traced back to the time of the Nayakkar rulers who ascended the throne of the Kandyan Kingdom 300 years ago. The books written on this form of dancing do not refer to the (3) ...... (the state of being real, or of being known or recognized) of Kandyan dancing. But with the coming of the Nayakkar rulers, it was made (4) ...... (that can be done or achieved) for the dancers, musicians and craftsmen to make their presence in the Kandyan kingdom which resulted in the creations and (5) ..... (the use of new ideas and methods) in the field of arts and crafts. Dancing then became a (6) ...... (usual or ordinary) feature in the royal court. The dancers and singers sang eulogies extolling the king's virtues.

### Test 10

### Underline the most suitable word within brackets.

 $(1 \times 5 = 5 \text{ marks})$ 

The pollution of rivers is only one of our "water worries". Oceans get (1)..... (polluted, pollution, polluting) too. People once thought that the oceans are so (2) ...... (big, bigger, biggest) that sewage or trash (dumped, dump, dumps ) into them wouldn't hurt them. But these things really have (3)...... (harms, harmed, harming) the ocean. It is (4)..... (foundation, founded, found) that sewage was the worst pollutant. Next (5)...... (came, had come, comes) plastics, oil and chemicals from factories and farms. These pollutants often (6)...... (flow,

flowed, flows ) out to the ocean. Often these pollutants (7)		
Test 11		
Fill in the blanks with the words given within the box. There are three extra words.		
$(1/2 \times 14 = 7 \text{ marks})$		
energy, them, such, short, make, chain, another, animal, path, become, one, some, deserts, lizard, food, plant		
Every living thing needs food because food provides energy. When one animal eats another  (1) or a plant, they both (2) a part of a food		
(3) A food chain is the (4) that energy takes as one living thing eats (5) For example the plant, grasshopper, (6) snake are all connected to (7) another. Different environments such as forests (8) lakes, rivers have different (9) chains. Some are short and (10) are long. But all of (11) begin with a producer. A (12) is a producer and can (13) its own food. A producer is the first (14) in all food chains. A consumer is the next link.		
Complete the following passage using the most appropriate form of the verb given within brackets. The first one is done for you. $(1 \times 5 = 5 \text{ marks})$		
Tourist must visit the Bundala National Park in Hambantota without denying. This widely		
beautiful park is in the south east of Sri Lanka. The park (1) was declared(declare) as the first 'Ramsar wetland' in Sri Lanka. Bundala is a haven for wildlife. It (2)		
Hereupon it (3) (call) as the 4th biosphere reserve by UNESCO.		
The park (4)		

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and invasive alien plants eradication (6) ...... (continue) to secure the identity of the Bundala National Park.

# Test 13 Here is a page from a dictionary. Refer to it and answer the questions given below.

 $(1 \times 5 = 5 \text{ marks})$ 



- 1. Find a word/phrase for the following descriptions.
  - (i) A place where weather conditions are studied.
  - (ii) A computer accessory
- 2. What is the profession related to weather? .....
- 3. Name the bird mentioned in the dictionary page.
- 4. Complete the sentence selecting a word from the dictionary page.
  - A piece of skin that joins the toes of some birds and animals that swim is called a .......

### Test 14

## Write on one of the following. Use about 100 words. (10 marks)

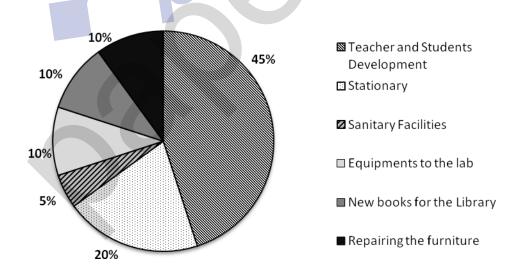
You are the head of the school media unit and you are instructed to write a letter to the director of the Rupavahini Cooperation asking for some information about the CD s available on the Educational programmes for supporting the G.C.E. (O/L) students.

Ask for the following information.
the titles of the programmes
prices of the CDs
how to do the payments

#### OR

b) The following pie chart shows the percentages of money spent by The School Development Society of a private school for the last year. Study the chart and write a description about it. The following words will help you.

More, most, less, least, equal, highest, lowest, higher, lower



**Test 15** 

## Read the following text and answer the questions given below. (8 marks)

- (1) Languages are for communicating facts and ideas, for asking questions, for telling people what to do, for telling stories and poems, and for explaining things. One of the main things that make us different from animals is our ability to speak. It is difficult to imagine life without it, but tens of thousands of years ago there were humans who did not have a spoken language.
- (2) No one is sure how many languages there are in the world, but there are certainly well over 4000. In Africa alone there are about 1300 languages spoken by some 560 million people. In Europe over 30 main languages are spoken. But these languages are not completely different. **They** have words in common: for example, the word brother is like *Bruder in German*. They all belong to the huge Indo European family of languages. There are other families of languages. One family includes the Chinese languages and the languages of Japan and Korea. Some languages do not seem to belong to any family.
- (3) Some people speak more than one language equally well. <u>This</u> can be because they are brought up by parents who speak different languages An English mother and a German father, for instance. It also happens when people move to a new country to find work, or as refugees. In many countries it is normal to use a mother tongue at home, and national language at work. In parts of India and Africa Children learn two or three languages at school.
- (4) Some languages, including English and French are used as International languages. In West Africa and in South East Asia French is extensively used. In some countries where many languages are spoken, there is an official language for formal and business use.
- (5) We do not know when and how the first languages came into existence. There is no evidence to provide clues as to when people first developed ways of communicating with speech as well as signs.

1. According to the paragraph what mal	kes people different from animals?
	( 1 mark)
2.Underline the most suitable subheading	ng to the second paragraph.
a) Flashback	c) Similarities in languages
b) Bilingual people	d) Changing languages (I mark)
3. Write two reasons for some people to	speak more than one language.
4.Copy the sentence from paragraph 4 v	which says that people use two languages in two
contexts.	
	(1 mark)
5.Mark true (T) or false (F) for the follo	owing sentences.
Man has been using a spoken langu	age from the very early days

There are similarities among some languages.	$(1/2 \times 2 = 1 \text{ mark})$
6. What do the following words in the text refer to?	,
a). They in paragraph 2	
b). This in paragraph 3	
	(1/2 x2 = 1 mark)
7. Find the word from the text which mean the same for the following	,
a). Commonlyb). Proof	4
	(1x2 = 2  marks)
Test 16	
Write on one of the following.	(15 marks)
(a).An article to the school magazine on the topic- 'Challenges are a	part of life'
You may include the following.	
What is a challenge?	
What are the common challenges in life?	1
What are the common challenges in life?  How should we face them and how do they make us strong (b).An essay on "Health is wealth".	
(b). An essay on "Health is wealth".	10
You may include the following.	
What is meant by health?	
Importance of a healthy life	
How to maintain good health	
(c). Write a speech you would make at the English Literary association	on on "Pros and
Cons of Internet"	
You may include the following.	
What is internet?	
How useful it is for the life	
Bad effects of using internet	
(d). Complete the following story using following situation.	
While I was walking along that deserted road, suddenly I heard some	body crying for
help.	, , ,
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