

## G.C.E. A/L EXAMINATION

### General English - I

Grade 12

Time : 3 Hours

01. Fill in the blanks in the following sentences with suitable adverbs.

always / carefully / brightly / annually / loudly

- (1) The moon shines \_\_\_\_\_ on Poya days.
- (2) A good speaker speaks \_\_\_\_\_
- (3) I \_\_\_\_\_ carry a handbag.
- (4) Good drivers drive \_\_\_\_\_
- (5) Undergraduates sit for exams \_\_\_\_\_

(5 marks)

02. Underline the correct word ending selecting from those given in brackets.

- (1) Mrs. Rajah is liked by everyone for her kind \_\_\_\_\_ (liness / ly / ness)
- (2) Many specta \_\_\_\_\_ (cular / cle / tor) feats were performed at the circus.
- (3) Mr. Shaffi was able to identi \_\_\_\_\_ (ty / fication / fy) the thief.
- (4) Our principal is a good discipli \_\_\_\_\_ (nary / ne / narian)
- (5) The building was complet \_\_\_\_\_ (ely / ion / ed) destroyed by the fire.

(5 marks)

03. Imagine that you need to join the British Council library. You talk to the librarian. Complete the dialogue you have with the librarian. Using the given questions.

Librarian : (1) \_\_\_\_\_

You : Yes please, I'd like to join the British Council Library. I need to become a member.

Librarian : (2) \_\_\_\_\_

You : No. I'm a school leaver.

(3) \_\_\_\_\_

Librarian : Yes you do. You need to fill forms.

You : (4) \_\_\_\_\_

Librarian : You need to pay Rs. 2,500/- to get a membership card.

You : (5) \_\_\_\_\_

Librarian : You are allowed to come every week days.

You : O.K. Thank you very much.

Librarian : You are welcome!

Do I have to fill forms ?

When can I come to get the membership ?

Hello! Can I help you ?

How much do I need to pay ?

Are you employed ?

(5 marks)

**04. Read the description and pick out the relevant words / phrases. Now fill in the table given below.**

The person I always remember is the class teacher of my school. She is not very thin, But she is tall. She has a dark hair and always tossed her head keep the hair out of her black eyes. She wears spectacles when she reads. She has a habbit of speaking English with her students. She is kind hearted and treats students in a friendly manner.

Appearance	Habbits	Qualities
(1) _____	(3) _____	(4) _____
(2) _____		(5) _____

(10 marks)

05. You need to see your friend, Sarath, urgently before tomorrow evening. Write a note to Sarath say:

Why you want to see him where and when to meet you.

Use about 30 - 35 words. Do not exceed the word limit.

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(5 marks)

06. Read the following message and fill in the blanks. Use the words given in the box.

Sujith,

There is a book sale in school I (1) \_\_\_\_\_ to go there. Sunil (2) \_\_\_\_\_ come around 11.00 a.m. He (3) \_\_\_\_\_ asked for my science books. They (4) \_\_\_\_\_ in my cupboard but now they (5) \_\_\_\_\_ not there. Please find them and give them to Sunil.

Roshan - 10.30 a.m.

( have / were / will / has / are )
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(5 marks)

07. Read the following poem and answer the questions given below.

**I found a tiny Starfish**

I found a tiny Starfish  
 In a tide pool by the sand  
 I found a tiny Starfish  
 And put him in my hand

I thought that I would take him  
 From the tide pool by the sea  
 And bring him home to give to you  
 A loving gift from me

But as I held my starfish  
 His skin began to dry  
 Without his special seaside home  
 My gift to you would die

I found a tiny Starfish  
 In a tide pool by the sea  
 I hope whoever finds him next  
 Will leave him there like me

(1) What did the writer find from the tide pool?

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(2) Where did the writer keep the fish?

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(3) What happened to the fish when the write held it?

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(4) Write the line which says the fish might not live.

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(5) What happened to the starfish at the end?

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(10 marks)

**08. Write a paragraph of your new English teacher who came to your school recently.**

Name : Nisansala Liuyanage

Age : 40 years

Address : No. 132, Dutugemunu Mawatha, Kiribathgoda.

Appearance : Fair, thin, tall and pleasant looking

Qualities : Helpful, kind but strict and stern

Martial Status : Married  
Husband : Nihal Perera  
Hobbies : Reading, Watching TV and gardening  
Complexion : Fair

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(10 marks)

**09. Select any five words and make meaningful sentences.**

complexion      generous      famous      pleasant  
dedicate      international      represent      criticize  
cheerful      sociable

(1) \_\_\_\_\_  
(2) \_\_\_\_\_  
(3) \_\_\_\_\_  
(4) \_\_\_\_\_  
(5) \_\_\_\_\_  
(6) \_\_\_\_\_  
(7) \_\_\_\_\_  
(8) \_\_\_\_\_  
(9) \_\_\_\_\_  
(10) \_\_\_\_\_

(10 marks)

**10. Read the following passage and answer the following questions.**

A medical studies for five years. After five years he sits for the final examination. On graduation, he has to serve a one year internship period. He may be posted to any part of the island during this period. Usually internees are posted to the bigger hospitals in Sri Lanka according to their performance in the final examination. After the internship period young doctors receive appointments in various government hospitals and other medical institutions. Some doctors get into the bigger hospitals according to the merit passes they got usually young lady doctors are not stationed in a very remote areas.

Generally young doctors prefer to work in bigger hospitals for many reasons. Because senior specialists serve in these hospitals. So they learn great deal when they work under such men.

Usually young doctors start life as house officers. They live in special quarters. They work from 8.00 a.m. - 12.00 noon and 3.00 p.m. - 5.00 p.m. on week days, and are on duty every other weekend. They are kept on call in the nights for two nights every week. After two or three years in government service young doctors receive appointments as graded medical officers, senior house officers, DMOS in district hospitals.

- (1) How many years does a medical student study? \_\_\_\_\_
- (2) After the internship period where do the young doctors receive appointments?  
\_\_\_\_\_
- (3) Who are not stationed in remote areas? \_\_\_\_\_
- (4) Why do young doctors prefer to work in bigger hospitals? \_\_\_\_\_
- (5) Describe the working hours about young doctors \_\_\_\_\_

(10 marks)

**11. You have lost your pencil case / wrist watch. Write a notice describing any one of these.**

**Give size, colour, shape and other details. Also state where the pencil case / wrist watch should be handed over, so you could collect it.**

(10 marks)

**12. Your English teacher has asked you to write an essay about a favourite person describing his / her appearance, habits and qualities to be published in the school magazine.**

(15 marks)

