

## First Term Evaluation – 2019

### English Language – Grade 8

School: .....

Name: ..... hours : 02

1) Underline the missing part of the word. First one is done for you. (10 marks)

e. g. competin ( sio, tio, tia)

i. progr <u>me</u> ( a, am, um)	vi. c <u>ntryside</u> ( o, a, ou)
ii. h <u>lth</u> ( e, ea, a)	vii. vaca <u>n</u> ( sio, tio, sha)
iii. fav <u>rite</u> ( ou ,a, o)	viii. knowl <u>e</u> ( edg, ag, eg)
iv. env <u>nment</u> ( ar, iro, io)	ix. discuss <u>n</u> ( sio, tio, sha)
v. ornitholo <u>g</u> ( gis, gist, ist)	x. vi <u>age</u> ( la, ll, le)

2) Write antonyms for the following words. (10 marks)

e.g. beautiful – ugly

i. cheap - _____	vi. Possible - _____
ii. common - _____	vii. happy - _____
iii. narrow - _____	viii. lucky - _____
iv. early - _____	ix. Kind - _____
v. local - _____	x. present - _____

3) Choose the correct pronoun from the brackets. The first one has been done for you.

(5 marks)

e.g : Chamoda ran to \_\_\_\_\_ ( her, she ,herself) mother.

i. Sithum can't cut his hair \_\_\_\_\_ ( him, his, himself).

- ii. (He, His, Him) \_\_\_\_\_ father's name is Mahen.
- iii. I can lift this chair \_\_\_\_\_ (my, myself, mine).
- iv. That pencil case is not \_\_\_\_\_ (your, you, yours).
- v. This is \_\_\_\_\_ (they, them, their) classroom.

4) Fill in the blanks using the following words. (5 marks)

to, for, with, on, through

- i. Pethmi is writing \_\_\_\_\_ a new pen.
- ii. Mrs Enoka is searching \_\_\_\_\_ her pair of spectacles.
- iii. I met an old friend \_\_\_\_\_ the road.
- iv. The cat entered the room \_\_\_\_\_ the window
- v. Sakula gave the book \_\_\_\_\_ sashfa.

5) Read the following text written by Suminda and answer the questions . (10 marks)

I spent the last school vacation in Myanmar. My grandparents – my father's parents live there. So we went to see them.

Myanmar is a beautiful country with many pagodas and monasteries. In the capital Yangon we saw the shwedagon pagoda which is the 'Heart of Myanmar'.

My grandpa took me to see some beautiful temples.

One day we went shopping and I bought a sarong and a jacket – the traditional dress of Myanmar. My sister could not help laughing when she saw me wearing it. I bought a few bamboo pen holders for my friends in Sri Lanka.

On the last day of our stay we all cried. I could not bear to leave my gentle and kind grandpa and grandma in Myanmar.

i. Underline the correct answer.

Suminda went to Myanmar to see the .....

Monasteries

Grandparents

Pagodas

ii. Where in the Shwedagon pagoda situated ?

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iii. What is called the 'Heart of Myanmar' ?

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iv. What did Suminda buy ?

(a) for him self?

(b) for his friends?

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6) Write 5 things you must not do in a public place from the given list. (05 marks)

Spit everywhere, shout loudly, help the elders, fight with others, laugh loudly, throw garbage, keep the place clean, disturb others

e.g. We must not disturb others.

i. \_\_\_\_\_

ii. \_\_\_\_\_

iii. \_\_\_\_\_

iv. \_\_\_\_\_

7) Study the picture and fill in the blanks using suitable words given in the box. One is done for you. (10 marks)



Children, two, chair, hat, leaves, garden, skirt, bushes, tree, girl, seeds, blouse

This is a picture of a 1.) garden. There are some 2.) \_\_\_\_\_ cleaning the place.  
3.) \_\_\_\_\_ boys are watering the 4.) \_\_\_\_\_. There is a big tree. A boy is sweeping  
the 5.) \_\_\_\_\_ under the tree and a 6.) \_\_\_\_\_ is helping him. A boy wearing a  
7.) \_\_\_\_\_ is trimming the plants. A group of girls are planting some 8.) \_\_\_\_\_.

8) Read the poem and answer the questions. (05 marks)

*Breakfast*

“Good morning little earthworm”,  
Said the speckled Thrush.  
“Where would you be going  
So early in a rush?”  
“I’m off to find some breakfast,”  
He answered with a frown.  
“Well, so am I Sir,” said the Thrush  
And quickly gulped him down.

P.H. Kilby

i. How did the Thrush greet the earthworm?

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ii. Did the earthworm get his breakfast ?

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iii. What did the Thrush get for his breakfast?

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iv. Name a rhyming pair found in the poem

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v. Name the poet.

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9) Underline the collective nouns. The first one is done for you. (05 marks)

e. g. The king saw a flock of geese.

- i. We can see through a transparent sheet of glass.
- ii. Sahanya bought a packet of milk from the supermarket.
- iii. How much is a kilo of rice?
- iv. He drank a glass of water as he was thirsty.
- v. A herd of cows were grazing in the field.

10) Underline the correct answer. (05 marks)

- i. Natasha was sick ( as, so) she stayed at home.
- ii. ( So, As) Rukmal worked hard, he passed the examination.
- iii. We will be going on a trip ( so, since) tomorrow will be a holiday.
- iv. Kaveesha doesn't talk much ( so, as) she is proud.
- v. Yesterday was a gloomy day ( so, since) I slept all day.

11) Imagine you are the monitor of the class. Write 5 things you have to do to keep your class room and garden neat and tidy.

(10 marks)

e.g. We have to clean the classroom daily.

- 1) \_\_\_\_\_
- 2) \_\_\_\_\_
- 3) \_\_\_\_\_

4) \_\_\_\_\_

5) \_\_\_\_\_

12) Listen to your teacher and put “T” for true and “F” for false statements. (05 marks)

- i. Jak provides delicious fruits. ( )
- ii. Jak is regarded as a tree which is not useful. ( )
- iii. Jak tree is not protected. ( )
- iv. Jak tree is small ( )
- v. Mr Arthur V. Dias was also known as ‘kos mama’. ( )

13) Speaking (5 marks)

Speak on ‘*A trip I went on*’

14) Write an essay on one of the following . Use 100 – 125 words (10 marks)

(a) A story book I read recently

or

(b) A country I like to visit

or

(c) A fistival we celebrate

or

(d) A visit to a botanical garden