

Grade 10

SECOND TERM TEST - 2026

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English Language -II

Time: 2 hours

Answer all the questions on this paper itself.

TEST - 9

Underline the most suitable word within bracket. *The first one is done for you.*

Ravi decided to 1) (collect, collecting, collection) plastic waste from his village. His friends joined him
 2.) (happy, happily, happiness). They came to 3) (assist, assistant, assistance) in
 cleaning the area. Ravi showed great 4) (kind, kindly, kindness) by helping everyone equally. Their work
 improved the 5) (environment, environmental, environmentalist) condition of the village. At the
 end, their effort was 6) (success, successful, successfully).

(1x5= 5 mark)

TEST – 10

Read the passage and select the correct word from the box. *The first one is done for you.*

During the school holiday, I 1) planned a small trip with my friends. The place we visited was 2) the town, in
 a quiet and beautiful area. We packed our bags and checked everything carefully, 3) we started our journey.
 We went 4) a walk and enjoyed the nature, after we reached the destination. The tent was placed
 5) a large tree near the river. 6) arrival, we took some rest and had lunch together.

It was a hopeful and happy day that I will always remember.

against, for, planned, beyond, before, Upon

(1x5 =5 marks)

TEST - 11

Fill in the blanks with the words given in the box.

pack-bulls, backs, wheels, carts, make, loads, gradually, a, few, learnt, some,

In ancient times, men carried heavy 1) on their heads or on their 2)..... Later they discovered how to drag 3.) heavy load by placing it on a 4)..... logs. A very long time afterwards, 5).learnt how to make use of 6). to carry loads. Even today in 7).....parts of our country, people use 8).

Next, men invented the wheel. It 9.) them to carry loads faster. Men 10)..... how to fix two or four 11). on to a wooden frame and 12). a cart. At the beginning, these carts 13). very clumsy and heavy. But 14)..... men learnt how to make lighter and faster vehicles. Men then invented the engine and discovered how to fix wheel on to them.

(1/2 x14=7 marks)

TEST - 12

Turn these sentences into passive form

1. Menaka is cleaning the room at the moment.

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2. They have postponed the concert.

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3. The government cancelled all flights because of this war situation.

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4. She sells seafood for tourists.

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5. Is she doing her homework now?

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(1x5 =5 marks)

TEST - 13

Read the poem and answer the questions given below **"The Little Seed" by Kate Louise Brown**

A little seed lay on the ground,
And soon began to sprout;
'Now which of all the flowers around
Shall I," it mused, "come out?"

The lily's face is fair and proud,
But just a trifle cold;
The rose, I think, is rather loud,
And then its thorn is bold.

The violet is all very well,
But not a flower I'd choose;
And so it settled for a daisy,
And opened with the dews.

1. Who is the poet of this poem?
2. Where did the little seed lie at the beginning?
3. Write two pairs of rhyming words i)..... ii).....
4. Why doesn't the seed choose the rose?
5. Which flower would you choose if you were the seed? Why?
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(1x5=5 marks)

TEST - 14

Write on one of the followings.

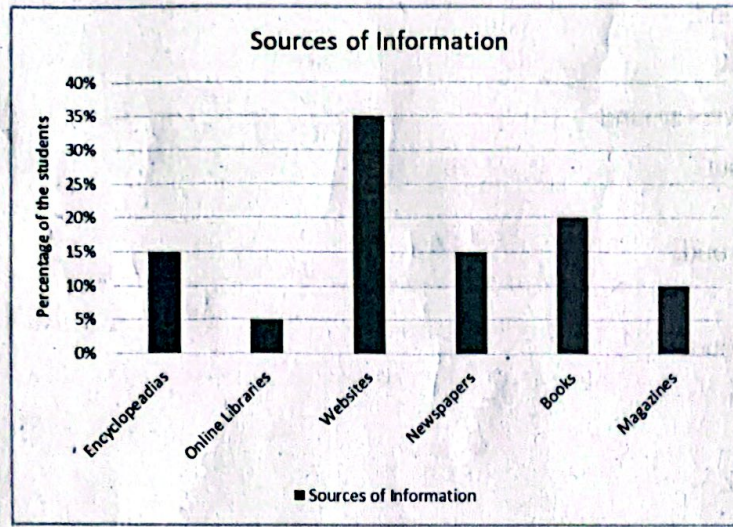
- A) You are the secretary of the Welfare Association of the school. Write a letter to the principal complaining about the poor quality of food in the school canteen. Suggest possible improvements. Use about 100 words.

Include.

- Food is not fresh and sometimes unhealthy
- Prices are too high
- Lack of cleanliness
- Poor service
- Request for solution

OR

B) The following bar graph shows the sources of information used by the students of grade 10 in Vidura College. Study the bar graph and write a description about it. Use the following words. Use about 100 words.



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TEST - 15

Read the following text and answer the questions below.

Batik painting is usually done on cotton or on pure silk cloth. Only good quality cloth is suitable for this purpose. Synthetic materials are never used.

First the cloth is boiled in water. Some chemicals are added to the water to remove all the starch and dirt.

When the cloth is thoroughly dry, it is placed on a table. Then the artist draws a design on the cloth. After the design is drawn, he decides on the colour-scheme. Some beeswax is heated and the melted wax is applied on the parts of the design that are not going to be dyed. A special tool is used to do this, but a brush too can be used for this purpose.

Next a solution of dye is prepared. Only cold water dyes are used for batik printing. After the cloth is soaked in the solution of dye, it is thoroughly dried in the sun. Sometimes three or four colours are used for a design. When a different colour is required, the parts that are not going to be dyed are waxed again. Batik printing is usually done on shirts, sarees and dresses. It is also done on table-mats, table-clothes and cushion covers.

Sometimes batik printing is done by machine. Machine-made batiks are usually cheaper than the hand-made ones. Our hand-made batiks are very popular and they find in foreign countries.

1. Say whether the following statements are True or False. Put a tick (✓) in the relevant column.

	True	False
a. The cloth is boiled in water to make it clean before the artist starts drawing.		
b. Artists use hot water dyes to colour the cloth.		
c. Beeswax is used to cover the parts of the cloth that should not be dyed		
d. Machine-made batiks are more expensive than hand-made ones		

(½ x 4 = 2 marks)

2. The purpose of applying melted beeswax to the cloth is

- a) To make the cloth shine.
- b) To cover the parts that should not be dyed.
- c) To remove starch and dirt from the fabric.

(01mark)

3. The final step in the batik process after the cloth has been soaked in the dye solution is

- (a) Boiling it in water with chemicals.
- (b) Drawing a new design on top of the dye.
- (c) Drying it thoroughly in the sun.

(01 mark)

4. What did the artist do when a different colour is required?

(01 mark)

5. How do machine – made batiks differ from hand- made ones in terms of price?

(01 mark)

6. What do the following words in the text refer to?

i) "he" in paragraph 2 ii) "it" in paragraph 3

(½ x 2=01 mark)

7. Find a word / phrase from the text that is closest in meaning to each of the following.

i) Made by a person using their hands - ii) Well-known -

(01 mark)

(Total = 8 marks)

TEST - 16

Write on one of the followings. Use about 200 words.

a) An article to your school newspaper on "The impact of the internet on students"

Include:

- ✧ Advantages ; Easy access to information for studies, helps with online learning and education
- ✧ Disadvantages ; Can lead to addiction, health issues

b) A speech to be delivered in the morning assembly on "How to live a healthy and happy life"

Include:

- ✧ Eat a balanced diet with fruits and vegetables
- ✧ Do regular exercise or physical activities
- ✧ Get enough sleep and rest everyday
- ✧ Maintain positive thinking and good relationship with others

c) Write an essay on "The importance of recycling"

Include:

- ✧ Reduces waste and keeps surroundings clean
- ✧ Saves natural resources
- ✧ Decreases pollution
- ✧ Protects the environment

d) Write a dialogue between you and your friends talking about your future ambition.

Nalika : Hello Muthu ! How are you?

Muthu : I am fine. Nice to meet you. By the way, what are your future plans?

(15 marks)