

# General Certificate of Education (Ordinary Level) Examination

Model Paper 2

Prepared by the English Unit - Ministry of Education

## English Language

### Paper I

Time : 1 hour

#### Test 1

Read the following Job advertisements and fill in the blanks with suitable words given. One is done for you.

A vacancy exists for an Assistant Accountant. The right candidate should be fully/partly qualified in AAT with minimum 2 years (i).....in working for an audit firm will be an advantage. Verbal and written skills in English and MS Office skills are (ii).....	experience essential manageable
The ideal candidate should be a ( iii) ....., go-getter with a definite flair for marketing. An ( iv)..... salary will be given.	attractive active dynamic
An experienced person with (v) ... <b>exceptional</b> ..... computing skills and (vii) ..... command of English can join our team. Should possess a good personality too.	excellent exceptional respectable

( 1x5=5 Marks)

#### Test 2

Fill in the blanks with the correct relative pronouns given below. One is done for you

**which. who, that, whom, whose, which**

1. The dress ...**which**.....you wore yesterday was very pretty.
2. I think this is the lecturer ..... we invited for the English Day.
3. The boy ..... is standing there is my brother.
4. This is the area.....used to be threatened by a landslide.
5. This is the book ..... I was looking for.
6. She is the author..... book won the Golden awarded at the State Literary Festival.

( 1x5 =5 marks)

### Test 3

Study the picture and fill in the blanks with the words given in the box.



climb, trap, broken, help, hike, backpack, unexpected, bending, fallen, hand

Chamath and Senuri are siblings. While they are on a (1)..... through a woodland they meet an (2)..... incident, Chamath is caught up in a (3)..... laid to catch wild beasts. He has(4)..... to a ditch and calling for (5)..... . Senuri is (6)..... down and giving her(7)..... to help him (8)..... up and come out of it. She has a (9)..... There are some (10)..... sprigs around.

(1/2x10 = 5marks)

### Test 4

Match the correct response from the column B to the statements or questions given in column A and write the correct letter in the space provided. One is done for you.

A	letter	B
1). I have put on weight		a) I'm sorry, didn't come in my vehicle today.
2). Could you please give me a lift?		b) Certainly not.
3). Would you mind closing that window?		c) My pleasure.
4). I can't park my vehicle here.	f	d) Why don't you go diet?
5). How are you going?		e) Well, on my bike.
6). Thank you very much for helping me.		f) Let's look for another place

(1x5 = 5marks)

## Test 5

**Read the following dialogue and fill in the blanks in the summary given below.**

Prabath has promised to bring some ingredients needed to make a biscuit pudding for PTS . Unfortunately he's sick and he wants his mother to hand over them to one of his friends.

Prabath: Mother, I called my friend Malith and told that you will bring the ingredients and asked him to collect them from you.

Mother : That's good .Tell me, how does he look like?

Prabath: He is taller than me. I think he's about 5 feet and 2 inches tall and has a medium build. He is fair and has a round face. The most outstanding feature is his scar on the left cheek. He's always smiling. He has dark eyes with long eyelashes. His eyebrows are thick.

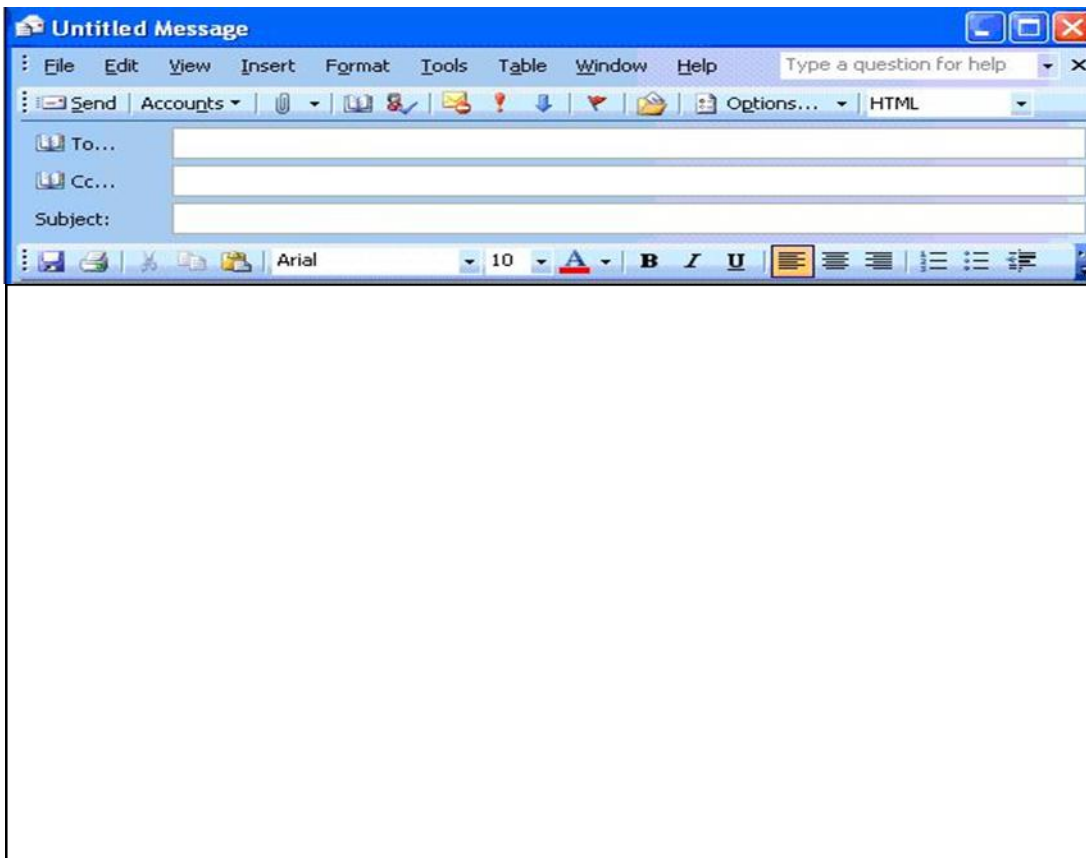
Mother: Will you ask him to come to the main gate?

One will never make a mistake in recognizing Malith. He is about 5 feet and two inches (1)..... and (2)..... in complexion. The most striking feature is his (3)..... on the left cheek. He has (4)..... eyebrows. He is a boy who is (5) ..... always. Everyone likes Malith as he's a cheerful person.

( 5 Marks)

## Test 6

**Write an email to your friend about your experience in participating in the English Day Drama Competition and winning it. Include who helped, what you gained, and other participants. Use about 50 -60 words**



( 5 Marks)

## Test 7

I got my new guide dog, Zeke, in 2011. He is a black Labrador who loves everyone. Sadly, Zeke can become a little too enthusiastic, which does not go well with Cocoa and Latte, my two Burmese cats. One day, when Zeke really annoyed Latte, She waited until he went to bed before exacting her revenge. She scaled a 1.8 meter bookshelf that stood directly behind Zeke's bed and squeezed behind a suitcase that sat on top. Once in position, she walked back and suitcase. With a loud crash, the suitcase toppled off the edge.

Zeke woke with a fright and jumped out of the way before the suitcase tumbled to the floor. I thought it must have been an accident until Latte did it again two weeks later after Zeke had got on her nerves again. It wasn't until the third attempt that I decided to move Zeke's bed to a safer spot. Zeke hasn't annoyed Latte since then.

(1). What is the breed of Zeke?

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(2) What are the names of the cats?

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(3) Write the sentence which says the writer became aware that the cat took revenge.

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(4) Underline the correct answers.

The antonym of the word 'annoy' is,

(a) Irritate      (b) gratify      (c) aggravate      (d) provoke

(5) 'got on her nerves' means,

(a) agitate      (b) pacify      (c) cool      (d) calm

( 1x 5 = 5 Marks )

## Test 8

**Write a description on one of the following.**

a). Responsibility of the class monitor.

b). A film I watched recently

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( 5 marks)

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Paper II

Time : 2 hours

### Test 9

The following sentences are not being edited. There is a mistake in every sentence. Correct it and re write the sentence in the given space.

1. He is mine best friend for a long time..

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2. He help me in my studies and encourages me to do it well.

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3. He does his work neat and accurately.

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4. He also engages in extra-curricular activities.

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5. He goes to see his grandfather in Sundays.

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### Test 10

Fill in the blanks with the suitable words from the given list. There are three extra words.

alarming, conservation, fragments, laboratories, starvation, warehouse,  
nurture, nourishment

### A Threat to Natural Forests

For millions of years, the tropical rain forests of Southeast Asia, South America and Africa have been the earth's natural chemical 1)..... ( **places where research is carried on** ), botanical gardens and zoos.

Today we are destroying them at such a rate that within 25 years only 2)..... (**very small parts**) will remain of the vast forests of Malaysia and Indonesia.

Because they grow mostly in poor tropical soil, relying upon a natural cycle between trees and animals for 3)..... (**food necessary for growth**) and replenishment, that forests cannot be replaced.

We shall have lost forever the Earth's greatest treasure house of plants and animals, perhaps our most valuable resource for the future. It is happening in areas where poverty already verges upon 4)..... (**suffering from lack of food**). It is the world's most urgent 5)..... ( **protection or preservation of wildlife** ) problem. The destruction is happening through ignorance, short-sightedness and ever-increasing consumer demand.

( 1x5 = 5 Marks)

## Test 11

Fill in the blanks in the following text using the words given in the box.

collecting, walking, post office, problem, them, with, get, has, he, and, overseas, time, has, happy
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John's hobby is stamp-collecting. He enjoys in exchanging stamps 1)..... his friends and also in 2) ..... new ones. In order to 3)..... stamps from various countries John 4)..... taken to letter- writing too. He 5)..... about ten pen-pals now whom 6)..... writes to frequently. He is 7)..... writing letters to his friends 8)..... he never fails in asking 9)..... to send different stamps each 10)..... they write to him from 11)..... Sending the letters is no 12)..... Since John lives near the 13)..... . Sometimes John can be seen 14)..... or cycling to his best friend's house with his collection of stamps.. He always feels happy with his hobby.

( 1/2x 14= 7 Marks )

## Test 12

Fill in the blanks with the correct form of the verb.

- 1). The concert ..... at 7o'clock tonight. (began, will begin, begins)
- 2). Every year , the heavy rains ..... many damages to low level dwellers in the area.( cause, caused, will cause)
- 3). My parents ..... a set of past papers from the book exhibition.( is buying, has bought, have bought)
- 4). As the roof ..... very badly, we decided to move to another house. (had leaked, was leaking, will have leaked)
- 5) Viranga ..... scuba diving during the next summer vacation. (learned, learns, will learn)

(1x5 = 5 Marks)

### Test 13

Read the poem and answer the questions.

The Owl  
At night, when all is still,  
The forest's sentinel  
Glides silently across the hill  
And perches in an old pine tree.  
A friendly presence his.....  
No harm can come  
From night bird on the prow.  
His cry is mellow.  
Much softer than a peacock's call.  
Why then this fear of owls  
Calling in the night?  
If men must speak. Then owls must hoot-  
They have the right.  
On me it casts no spell:  
Rather, it seems to cry,  
“ The night is good – all's well, all's well”

By Ruskin Bond

1. Who is the forest sentinel?

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2. How does the owl come to the old pine tree?

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3. In what way is the owl better than the peacock?

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4. Do people fear about owl's calling in night?

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5. What is the belief of owl's hooting?

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( 1x5 =5marks)



### Test 14

**Write on one of the following. Use about 100 words.**

The Red Cross Society of Royal College has organized a blood donation camp to mark its 25<sup>th</sup> year in the school premises. Write a letter to the National Blood Bank requesting help to make the event a success.

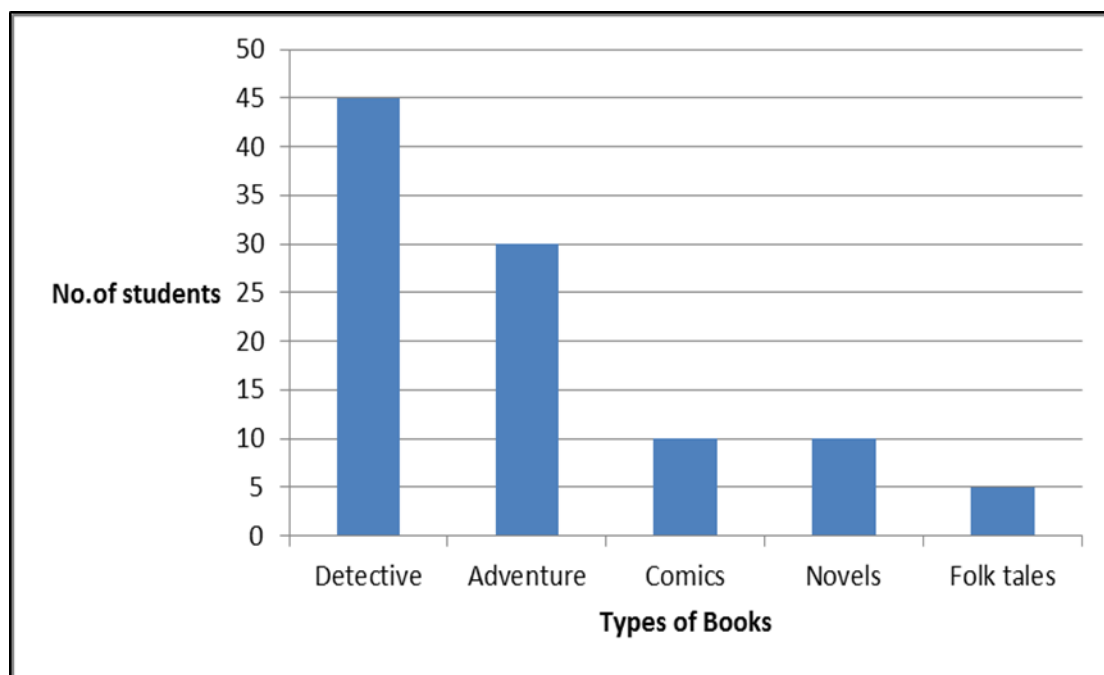
Include the following

- Mention the event and its importance.
- Date/ place/ number of donors expecting
- Requesting support to organize

**Or**

B) The following bar graph shows the results of a survey conducted among 100 students in grade 11 about their interests in books. Study the chart and write a description about it. The following words will help you. Use about 100 words.

Many, most, least, equal, higher than, lower than





Handwriting practice sheet with 20 rows of dotted lines for tracing and writing.

(10 Marks )

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## Test 15

Read the text and answer the questions given below.

### A school for Robots

There was once a school without a single living student; the principal got his students from a robot factory instead. He boasted that these robots were quite perfect and never missed a chance to show how easy it was to make them learn. Simply by pressing a row of buttons on their shoulders, beneath their sweaters, one could make them do exactly what was needed.

You can understand why in a school which wanted discipline and order all the time, these little robots would be far more convenient than real students. One teacher was enough for everyone. Each morning all that had to be done was to press the right buttons and the rest would follow automatically. So these little robots were indeed very efficient, and everyone who saw them working was stunned by their performance.

At 8.25, at the sound of the first bell, they would enter the classroom. At 8.30, at the sound of the second bell they would begin to write down their arithmetic problems, or start their compositions. At 9.30, they would all hand in their papers. At 9.35, they would all recite history in exactly the same way. At 10.15, they took their lunch trays and they ate. At 10.20, they all repeated the same rule of grammar together, they did their Mathematics and recited Geography from textbooks. At 12.45 they packed their school bags and at 12.50, they said goodbye to the teacher and left.

One morning a new robot came to school, looking exactly like **the rest**. However, at 8.30, at the sound of the second bell when it was time for them to be seated, the new comer dawdled a bit just enough to surprise the teacher. At 9.35, during History lesson the new robot recited something different. The teacher was so dumfounded that she went to examine the robot's button at once. They were all in order. Then teacher phoned frantically the factory to send a mechanic at once.

When he arrived, he checked all the buttons and said everything was in order, he could find nothing to do except to tighten some screws. But again when others were reciting numbers in order, the new comer said "seven, five, three, ten..." and then during Geography lesson the robot started questioning.

The Principal heard all the commotion and came running. The teacher had to explain. The Principal turned to the repairman, and said 'if buttons were alright, have a look inside'

So the repairman quickly took his screws and unfastened the cover and take of the top part. He just stood there with his eyes wide open. There inside instead of the spools of magnetic tapes that the other robots had, was a little girl and she was just looking at them and laughing.

1. What does 'he never miss a chance' mean

- a) he would always      b) he would sometimes      c) he would rarely

2. How many teachers had the school employed?

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3. At what time does the school start?

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4. What do the words 'the rest' in paragraph 4 refer to?

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5. What did the mechanic do?

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6. What made the principal run to the classroom.?

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7. Write down the sentence which says that the mechanic was surprised

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8. Find similar words for the following from the text.

a. easy - .....

b. madly - .....

(8 Marks )

### Test 16

Select one of the following and write about it using 200 words.

1) Write an article to the Newspaper on ‘ Reading is fun’

Include the following

- i. A valuable leisure activity
- ii. A wide variety of reading materials
- iii. Provides information/ enhance knowledge/ give pleasure

2) Write an essay on ‘Importance of Time Management ’ Include the following

- i) What is time management?
- ii) How it helps a student?
- iii) General benefits of managing time.

3) Write a speech that you would deliver at the English Literary Association on the topic ‘Our responsibilities towards our school’. Include the following.

- i. What are responsibilities?
- ii. How we should protect the school?
- iii. What benefits we would get?

4) Write a dialogue between two friends discussing how they can plan their future after O/Ls.

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