

**Sultanate of Oman  
Ministry of Education**

**ENGLISH LANGUAGE TEST**

**GRADE EIGHT**

**Semester Two  
First Session  
2021/2022**

<b>Name</b>			
<b>School</b>		<b>Class</b>	

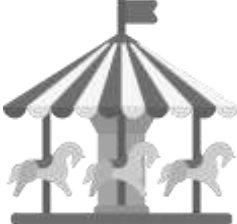





**Write your answers on the Test Paper**  
**Time: 1½ hours**                      **Pages: 8**

<b>TEST SCORES</b>	<b>LISTENING</b>	<b>10</b>	
	<b>GRM/VCB</b>	<b>10</b>	
	<b>READING</b>	<b>10</b>	
	<b>WRITING</b>	<b>10</b>	
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>40</b>	

**LISTENING 1 (Items 1–5)**

**(5 marks)**

You are going to hear five short texts about free time activities. For each text, write the letter under the appropriate picture.

A.		B.		C.	
D.		E.		F.	

- |    |                       |                       |                       |                       |                       |                       |
|----|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
|    | A                     | B                     | C                     | D                     | E                     | F                     |
| 1. | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| 2. | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| 3. | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| 4. | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |

**LISTENING 2 (Items 6–10)**

**(5 marks)**

You are going to hear a text about Malak's day. Listen and indicate which of the three options is correct.

6. Young whales drink \_\_\_\_\_.
- juice                       milk                       milk shake
7. The \_\_\_\_\_ is the largest whale.
- blue                       black                       white
8. The whale's mouth is \_\_\_\_\_ feet wide.
- 22                       25                       52
9. There is no \_\_\_\_\_ on the whale's body.
- air                       fare                       hair
10. Blowholes are at the back of the whales' \_\_\_\_\_.
- head                       ear                       tail

**LISTENING SCORE**

10

**VOCABULARY (Items 1–5)**

**(2½ marks)**

Complete the text, filling the 5 gaps with words from the list.

Junk food is harmful to our (1)\_\_\_\_\_. It is trash which harms our bodies greatly. It has high levels of (2)\_\_\_\_\_ and calories. The younger generation is taking more junk food. This is putting their lives in danger and giving them an unhealthy (3)\_\_\_\_\_. Parents must teach their (4)\_\_\_\_\_ about the bad effects of junk food. They must provide them with healthy meals at home so they won't have to go out to eat fast (5)\_\_\_\_\_.

	food	hospital	lifestyle	friends	kids	environment	health	sugar
1.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
2.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
3.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
4.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
5.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

**GRAMMAR (Items 6–10)**

**(2½ marks)**

Complete each sentence with **ONE** word only.

6. I \_\_\_\_\_ become a doctor in the future.
7. \_\_\_\_\_ are you doing?
8. My mother hasn't come back \_\_\_\_\_.
9. Have you \_\_\_\_\_ seen a turtle?
10. David is in grade 8. \_\_\_\_\_ is a good student.

**GRAMMAR/VOCABULARY (Items 11–20)**

**(5 marks)**

For each item, shade in the bubble  next to the correct option.

Ways of travelling are changing. There (11)\_\_\_\_\_ already some futuristic types of travel and (12)\_\_\_\_\_. Driverless cars are (13)\_\_\_\_\_ here. They can drive themselves without needing (14)\_\_\_\_\_ human inside it! Helicopters that do not need (15)\_\_\_\_\_ are being developed. Maglev trains already exist and are used (16)\_\_\_\_\_ Japan. These trains are very (17)\_\_\_\_\_ and can reach speeds of (18)\_\_\_\_\_ than 600 kilometres per hour! Several companies (19)\_\_\_\_\_ developing space technology, which would allow ordinary people to go into (20)\_\_\_\_\_ .

- |                                   |                                |                                |                                 |
|-----------------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| 11. <input type="radio"/> is      | <input type="radio"/> was      | <input type="radio"/> are      | <input type="radio"/> am        |
| 12. <input type="radio"/> animals | <input type="radio"/> eating   | <input type="radio"/> studying | <input type="radio"/> transport |
| 13. <input type="radio"/> already | <input type="radio"/> yet      | <input type="radio"/> ever     | <input type="radio"/> ago       |
| 14. <input type="radio"/> some    | <input type="radio"/> any      | <input type="radio"/> every    | <input type="radio"/> not       |
| 15. <input type="radio"/> sailors | <input type="radio"/> teachers | <input type="radio"/> pilots   | <input type="radio"/> students  |
| 16. <input type="radio"/> on      | <input type="radio"/> of       | <input type="radio"/> in       | <input type="radio"/> at        |
| 17. <input type="radio"/> fast    | <input type="radio"/> high     | <input type="radio"/> slow     | <input type="radio"/> lazy      |
| 18. <input type="radio"/> most    | <input type="radio"/> least    | <input type="radio"/> few      | <input type="radio"/> more      |
| 19. <input type="radio"/> am      | <input type="radio"/> is       | <input type="radio"/> are      | <input type="radio"/> was       |
| 20. <input type="radio"/> space   | <input type="radio"/> sea      | <input type="radio"/> desert   | <input type="radio"/> land      |

--

**GRM/VCB**

**SCORE**

**10**

**READING 1 (Items 1–5)**

**(5 marks)**

Match the excerpts in the first column with the texts in the second column.

<p><b>1</b> Conan Doyle was a famous writer. He wrote a lot of stories</p>	<p>A. It came to us from Italy. You can cook it at home or have in a restaurant.</p>
<p><b>2</b> Oceans are huge bodies of water. Many kinds of fish live there.</p>	<p>B. He wrote the famous Sherlock Holmes detective stories.</p>
<p><b>3</b> Pizza is one of the most famous dishes in the world.</p>	<p>C. They cook chips and chicken.</p>
<p><b>4</b> Electrical cars have become popular these days. They are environment friendly.</p>	<p>D. You can see some of them if you go diving but it's dangerous.</p>
	<p>E. In addition, they don't need petrol to work.</p>
	<p>F. Kids in Britain get presents. They also see fireworks.</p>

	A	B	C	D	E	F
1.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
2.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
3.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
4.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

**READING 2 (Items 6–10)**

**(5 marks)**

Read the text. Write a SHORT answer to each question.

Dear Rayina,

How are you? Hope all is well at home. I am back home from my school trip, and the first thing I wanted to do was to tell you all about my trip. I wish I could meet you in person, but it is not possible for me to travel because of covid restrictions and so I thought I could write to you instead of waiting to meet you.

It was a completely different experience, something that I did not expect. We reached Hyderabad on Monday morning. The place of stay was really great and the climate was generally moist and cold. We visited the Charminar and the Golconda Fort on the first day. We then went to the Lumbini Park. It is definitely a great place for relaxation.. The last day was fun-filled as we went around Ramoji Film City and Snow World. We enjoyed every moment there. However, two of my friends fell into the snow and were hurt badly. One of them was taken to the hospital as she fell ill.

It was definitely a trip to remember, but I would love to go on a tour with you . Let us start making plans and make it happen as soon as covid restrictions are lifted.

Hoping to meet you soon. I love you.

Love,  
Saira

5. Who is the letter to? \_\_\_\_\_
6. Why can't Saira travel? \_\_\_\_\_
7. When did Rayina reach Hyderabad? \_\_\_\_\_
8. How was the weather in Hyderabad? \_\_\_\_\_
9. When did they visit the Film City? \_\_\_\_\_
- 10 Who fell into the snow? \_\_\_\_\_

<b>READING SCORE</b>
<b>10</b>

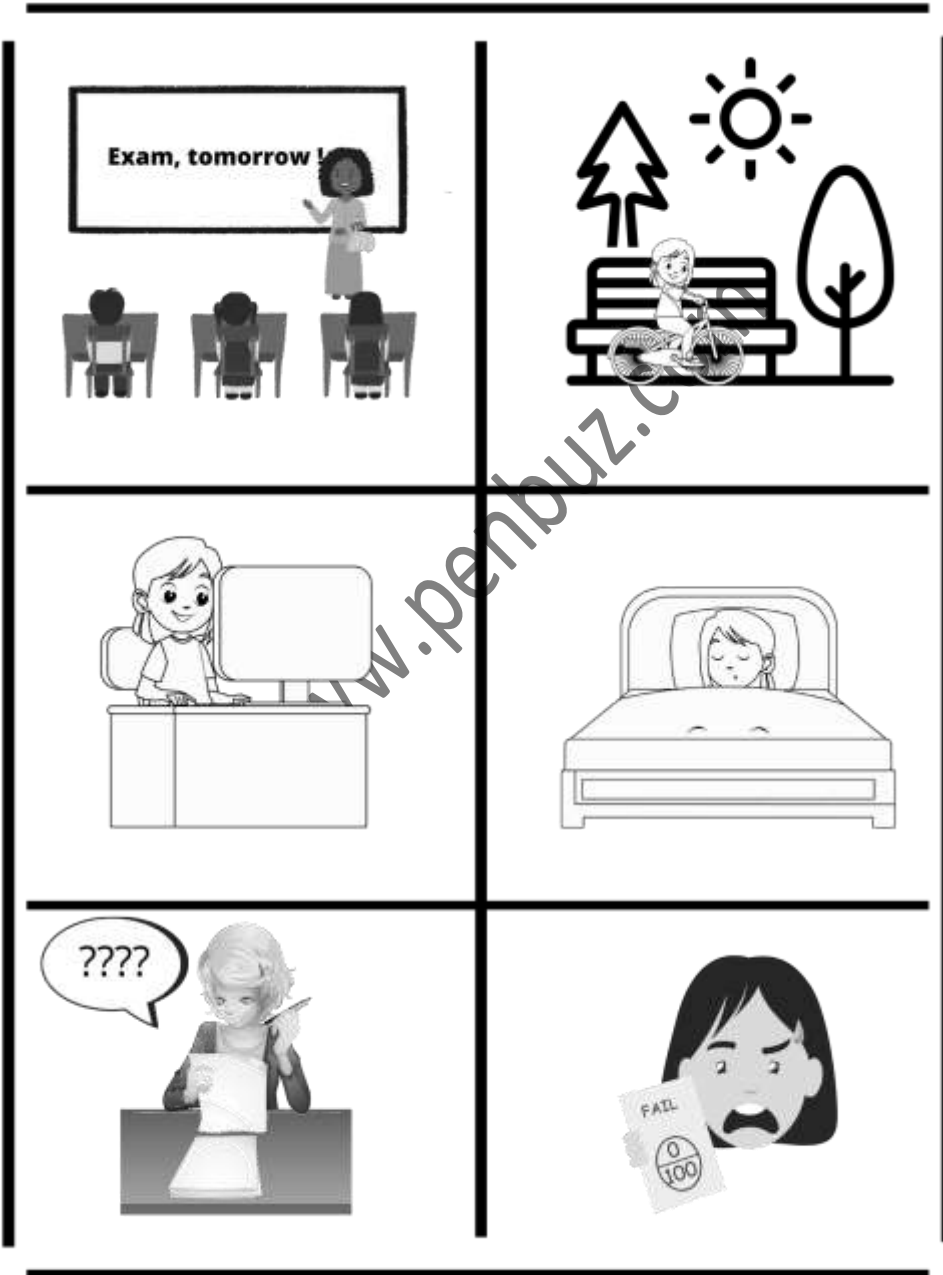


**WRITING 2**

**(5 marks)**

Write a story of at least 60 words based on the following pictures. You can use the words in the box to help you. *Your writing should be **clear** and **correct**.*

teacher	say	exam	cycle	play	sleep	computer	fail
---------	-----	------	-------	------	-------	----------	------







## Answers Key:

Listening	Grammar / Vocabulary		Reading
1. C	1. Health	11.Are	1. A
2. D	2. Sugar	12.Transport	2. D
3. A	3. Lifestyle	13.Already	3. A
4. F	4. Kids	14.Any	4. E
5. B	5. Food	15.Pilots	5. Rayina
6. milk	6. Will	16.In	6. Because of covid restrictions
7. blue	7. What	17.Fast	7. Monday morning
8. 25	8. Yet	18.More	8. Moist and cold
9. Hair	9. Ever	19.Are	9. On the last day
10.Head	10.He	20.space	10.Saira's friends