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 Second Term Test - 2017

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Name : ..... Class : .....

- Answer all questions on the paper itself.

Grammar – 30 marks

01. Find the correct preposition from the given list and fill in the blank. (10 marks)

Sigiriya

Sigiriya can be introduced as the first ever citadel of architectural, cultural and historic value found in the whole of South East Asia

The Sigiriya a fortress is unique (1)..... many ways. First, this huge rock is surrounded (2)..... high rocky mountains and thick green forest.

This enchanting fortress is a good sanctimony (3)..... the heroic efforts (4)..... the King Kashshapa.

The Lion's mouth (5)..... the entrance, the pond (6)..... the summit are excellent. evidence to prove that the King Kashshapa had a creative mind.

The ruins of the Sigiriya Fortress prove that there was a pipe born water system (7)..... the foot of the rock. The King (8)..... his queens should have played water games in the pond.

The Sigiriya Fortress would remain as a wonderful creation of the ancient man (9)..... ever. The Lion's mouth which has been carved (10)..... of rock, the stair case the mirror wall and the frescoes are real specimen to prove it

02. Combine the following pairs of sentences. Using a suitable conjunction given in brackets.

( 5 marks )

I. I couldn't see Nirosi's expression .  
 Her head was turned (but, because, and )

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II. He heard the news on the radio  
 He was driving (while, after, before )

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III. You can't get a job

You have got experience (while, unless, it )

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IV. The motorists must wait

The traffic lights changes to green (before, after, until)

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V. I liked the new mobile phone.

I decided not to buy it (because, as, although)

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03. Fill in the blanks with the correct form of the verb given in brackets. (10 marks )

I. In Sri Lanka during the last few decades more vehicles have been imported. Most of them (1)..... (be) modern luxury vehicles. Which (2)..... (empower) with high speed capacity. When the roads are in a deplorable situation, it (3).....(cause) road accidents comparatively, When the roads (4)..... (develop) it also might be risky for both pedestrians and motorists. Before (5)..... the steering wheel of the vehicle the motorist should always consider whether his vehicle is suitable for moving on the road.

II. Martin Wickramasinghe was born in Koggala in 1890. The house in which he was born (6).....(reserve) as a special monument and the whole premises (7).....(declare) as a museum. He (8).....(be) deeply in love with nature and environment. His book "Gamperaliya" (9).....(go) to the history as the first ever reality fiction in Sri Lanka. He also (10).....(present) two other fictions "Uganthaya" and "Kaliyugaya". He was really a typical villager in the down south of Sri Lanka.

04. Complete the questions so as to get the answers given below. (5 marks )

I. When ..... ?

The American Civil War began in 1914

II. How ..... ?

This CD player Costs Rs. 6500/=

III. How much ..... ?

I need one kilo of flour for the recipe

IV. Where ..... ?

I have come from the University of Colombo

V. What ..... ?

I like both classical and pop music.



**Reading Comprehension – 15 marks**

05. Read the advertisement and answer the questions

**(5 marks)**

**Books**  
60% discount- Big Bargain sale  
at  
Public Library Auditorium  
Colombo 07  
From 19<sup>th</sup> – 28<sup>th</sup> February – 2017  
9.00 am to 6.30 p.m  
All imported books from  
Nursery to higher Education  
Exprographic Books (PVT) LTD  
Tel : 011 2797940

I. When can you go to buy these imported books?

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II. Where can you buy books?

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III. What is the name of the shop?

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IV. How much is the discount given for books?

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V. How can you contact the shop to get more details?

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6. Read the article and answer the questions

**(10 marks)**

Human resource is different in many aspects from other resources. When human resources are developed their knowledge, skills and attitudes are built in the society.

The Digital age changed the world. It is seemingly much smaller and more connected than ever before. Training and development improves interpersonal relationships among the employees. They feel valued and motivated in their daily functions.

Education has no end; the highest level of one's education is a personal choice. Human resource quality is the competitive edge of an organization. Less wastage and proper time management is resulting in to speed the productivity. Application of knowledge and skills which determines the productivity of the society. Effective communication is also enhanced and leading to loyalty and commitment of staff. Creativity and innovations in various professional areas in the country is the core element that determines the potential for being competitive in the word.

I. Why is the human resource different from other resources?

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- II. How does the digital age change the world?  
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- III. Which improves the employees interpersonal relationship?  
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- IV. How do the employees feel after getting training and development?  
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- V. What is the “personal choice” given in the passage?  
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- VI. What is the competitive edge of an organization?  
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- VII. What are the two factors influenced the productivity speed?  
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- VIII. What is the core element that determine the potential?  
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- IX. Write the meaning of the words given in the passage, your own words
- (i) enhanced -
  - (ii) wastage -
  - (iii) proper -
  - (iv) commitment -

**Vocabulary – 20 marks**

07. Underline the correct word ending given in brackets. (10 marks )
1. Journalists are trained to be ober (vance, ved, vant)
  2. She finds county life prefer (eble, ence, able)
  3. Lands are very expen (ses, sively, sive) in Matara.
  4. The bus stand is within walking dist(ant, antly, ance)
  5. We need vari (es, ious, ety) in our diet.
  6. The chairman gave the inaugur (ate, al, ated) speech
  7. Is this fax – machine function (ed, al, ally) well?



- 8. He is neglig (ence, ible, ent) in his homework.
- 9. The safety precautions are inadqu (acy, ately, ate)
- 10. I can't tolerate such behave(oural, our, ed)

8. Read the following article and find the meaning of the underlined words. Match the meaning within the word (5 marks)

Steric Irvin the world famous crocodile hunter and wildlife expert was died at the age of 44. His best friend , John Stainton who (1) witnessed the (2)tragedy wept as he said, "He died doing what he loved best and left the world in a happy and peaceful state of mind. The world has lost a great wildlife (3)icon a passionate (4)conservationist"

However he faced a tragic death while fishing in (5)shallow water in a (6)remote part of the Great Barrier Reef in Queensland. (7)Paramedics tried in (8)vain to (9)revive him and he was pronounced dead on his boat. But many of his millions of fans feared that he would (10)eventually be killed in an adventure with crocodile.

- a. Supporters of the doctor's work
- b. in the end
- c. far away from other communities
- d. with no result
- e. terrible event that causes great sadness
- f. saw
- g. bring back to health
- h. a person who is interested in protecting natural environment
- i. not deep
- j. great person

9. Select five words and use each of them in a meaningful sentence.

You can use the verbs in any tense

(5 marks )

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| compulsory | discover   | argument |
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**Dialogue- 10 marks**

10. Complete the dialogue. You are telephoning the manager of the Star Hotel in Kandy to make reservation (5 marks)

- Manager : Good morning. Star Hotel Kandy Can I help You?  
You : (1).....  
Manager : When do you want to stay?  
You : (2).....  
Manager : Single room with food per day is one thousand rupees.  
You : (3).....  
Manager : OK. Can I know your name and address.  
You : (4).....  
Manager : Call me and Confirm your arrival.  
You : (5).....  
Manager : You're welcome. I'm looking forward to see you on 22<sup>nd</sup>

11. You have gone to the nearest police station to tell about your missing bicycle.  
Write a conversation between you and the policeman.

Each one should speak five times (5 marks)

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**Writing – 25 marks**

12. Write a notice as the secretary of the school chess society to inform the members about the provincial chess tournaments which will be held in May 2017 . Ask the members to handover their application before 10 the April. **(5 marks )**

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13. Write a curricular vitae CV which has to be sent to the IT club where you wish to join after the exam. **(10 marks )**

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