

# TEST

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## SECTION 1 - GRAMMAR SKILLS

### A

**Rewrite the following sentences using a capital letter to begin EACH PROPER NOUN in these sentences.**

*EXAMPLE :*      *The boys hated ken because he was selfish.*  
*The boys hated Ken because he was selfish.*

(1) It was midday when arthur reached london.

*It was midday when Arthur reached London.*

(2) The capital of france is paris.

*The capital of France is Paris*

(3) The cruise ship sailed across the atlantic ocean.

*The cruise ship sailed across the Atlantic Ocean.*

**(6 marks)**

## B

Write the correct VERB from the brackets to complete each of the following sentences.

*EXAMPLE :*      *Neither the apples nor the basket is expensive. (is/are)*

(4) Every single one of your shirts *is* too small for me to wear.  
(is /are)

(5) The computer *beeps* when you turn it on.  
(beeps / beep)

(6) A handful of seeds *was* scattered by the farmer.  
(was were)

**(3 marks)**

## C

Rewrite the following sentences using the ACTIVE VOICE.

*EXAMPLE :*      *The picture was painted by my grandmother.*  
*My grandmother painted the picture.*

(7) That song is really enjoyed by the choir.  
*The choir really enjoys that song.*

(8) The whole village was destroyed by the unexpected flood.  
*The unexpected floods destroyed the whole village.*

**(6 marks)**

## D

Complete the following sentences by choosing the **CORRECT PRONOUN** from the brackets

*EXAMPLE :*     We watched the turtles as they came on the sand to lay their eggs. ( We Us)

- (9)     Although *she* tried to be brave, Jenny still screamed when the doctor gave her an injection.     ( she her)
- (10)     Leave the difficult job for Frank and *me* .     ( I me)
- (11)     It is up to you and *me* to find a quick solution to this problem.  
( I me)

**(3 marks)**

## E

Write the **CORRECT** form of the **VERB** in brackets to complete each of the following sentences.

*EXAMPLE :*     The baby cried all night. (cry)

- (12) The hunter *shot* two large, fierce tigers. (shoot)
- (13) Ships *sail* on the Panama Canal every day. (sail)
- (14) The patient was *awakened* by a loud noise. (awaken)

## F

Combine each group of sentences below to form one sentence.

*EXAMPLE :* Tom stood at the gate.

The dog barked loudly.

*When Tom stood at the gate, the dog barked loudly.*

Students' answers may vary. Here are examples of some correct answers.

- (15) I read an article on Brian Lara.  
It was very interesting.

*I read a very interesting article on Brian Lara.*

- (16) The weather was very stormy yesterday.  
The cricket match had to be cancelled.  
The players were disappointed.

*Yesterday, the players were very disappointed when the cricket match was cancelled because of the very stormy weather.*

- (17) Danny told his sister to hand him the book.  
He told her politely.  
Danny's sister is older than he.

*Danny politely told his older sister to hand him the book.*

# G

Write the **CORRECT** form of the word in brackets to complete the following sentences.

**EXAMPLE :** Tom is stronger than I. (strong)

(18) The book I read last month was the *worst* book I ever read. (bad)

(19) The Nile is the *longest* river in the world. (long)

(20) Mr. Jones is as *crazy* as his brother. (crazy)

**(3 marks)**

# H

Rewrite the following sentences using **INDIRECT SPEECH**.

**EXAMPLE:** “It is better to wait,” said the student.

*The student said that it was better to wait.*

(21) “Don’t play on the grass, boys,” said the caretaker.

*The caretaker told the boys not to play on the grass.*

(22) Mr. Jones said, “ I can speak three languages fluently.”

*Mr. Jones said that he could speak three languages fluently.*

**(4 marks)**

## SECTION II - VOCABULARY/SPELLING/PUNCTUATION

### A

In the spaces below, write the appropriate form of the word in **CAPITAL LETTERS** to correctly complete each sentence. Remember to spell correctly.

*EXAMPLE :*     *HILL*     *The hilly road led us to the cottage.*

(23) OBEY     The *disobedient* boys refused to listen to their teachers and went to the video arcade despite the repeated warnings.

(24) CIRCLE     Mrs. Jones planted the roses in a *circular* pattern in the middle of the garden.

(25) PRODUCE     Oil *production* is still the most important part of our economy.

**(6 marks)**

## B

In each of the following sentences, there is a word that is underlined. Replace each underlined word by using another word or phrase that is **SIMILAR IN MEANING**.

*EXAMPLE :* The wicked children played a prank on the teacher.  
mischievous

Students' answers may vary. Here are examples of some correct answers.

- (26) Surprisingly, the teacher acceded to the children's request of not having any homework for the long weekend.      *agreed / gave in*
- (27) No one has yet been apprehended for the theft of the valuable necklace from the museum.      *arrested/ held*
- (28) The troops waited until dark before they attempted to advance into the enemy territory.      *move forward*

(6 marks)

## C

Underline the word that is **INCORRECTLY SPELT** in each of the following sentences and write it correctly on the line provided.

*EXAMPLE :* He was suprised with the gift.      *surprised*

- (29) The frighted rabbit grimaced in pain as its legs were caught in the trap.  
frightened
- (30) The exact hieght of the tower is not known but it is by far the tallest building in our city. height

(4 marks)



# D

Insert **THE TWO MISSING PUNCTUATION MARKS** to correctly complete each of the following sentences. **DO NOT** rewrite the sentences.

*EXAMPLE: Montego bay and negril are popular beaches in Jamaica.*

*Montego Bay and Negril are popular beaches in Jamaica.*

(31) Wait , is there another way ?

(32) The man ' s wife brought him food , clothes  
and a cold drink.

(33) I ' d like to play with Mary ' s dog but it ' s  
too big.

(34) Lewis Carroll , a famous writer of children ' s  
literature , was also a mathematician.

(35) The lost scouts screamed , “ How will we  
get out of here ? ”

**(10 marks)**

# SECTION 111 – COMPREHENSION

**A** Read the passage below and answer the questions that follow. Use complete sentences, with correct grammar and spelling.

## The Crowning of Vidal

Gleyer, the magician, felt that the time had come for Ken to be declared King, so he advised the Archbishop of Applebury to call all the barons and knights to assemble in Barcelona at Christmas time and meet in prayers in the Cathedral of St. Peter.

Now when the people came into the courtyard, they saw a great sight. There in the space before the church stood an enormous oval shaped stone, like marble, and on top of it was an anvil of steel a foot high. Through this anvil and into the stone was stuck by the point of a beautiful sword, on which these words were written in letters of gold upon the silver blade:

“ Whosoever can pull forth this sword out of the stone and anvil is rightly King of all Spain.”

All manner of men tried to pull out the sword, but not one was successful, except Vidal.

**Students' answers may vary. Here are examples of some correct answers.**

(36) Who called the barons and knights together?

*The barons and gentlemen-at-arms were called together by the Archbishop of Applebury.*

**(2 marks)**

(37) Where did this meeting take place?

*This meeting took place at the Cathedral of St. Peter.*

**(2 marks)**

(38) What was the great sight in the courtyard?

*The great sight in the courtyard was a huge oval shaped stone on which an anvil with a sword struck through it was placed.*

**(3 marks)**

(39) What was the inscription on the blade of the sword?

*The inscription on the blade of the sword was ,” Whosoever can pull forth this sword out of the stone and anvil is rightly King of all Spain.”*

**(2 marks)**

(40) (a) Who succeeded in withdrawing the sword?

*Videl succeeded in withdrawing the sword.*

**(2 marks)**

(b) What would happen to this person because the sword was withdrawn?

*He (Videl) would be King of all Spain after withdrawing the sword.*

**(2 marks)**

## POEM

**B** Read the poem carefully and answer the questions that follow. Use complete sentences with correct grammar and spelling.

### Grandma's Cookie Jar

I learned a lot from my dear sweet Grandma  
She helped me become the man I am  
When I thought I just couldn't make it  
She always told me I can

She taught me all of life's lessons  
While sitting in her rocking chair with a book,  
Some homemade cookies and a glass of milk  
Was usually all it ever took.

Grandma wise and old, told me all about Heaven  
And the price we'd pay for sin  
She always started her lessons with  
"Let me see now, where do I begin?"

I really miss her cookies  
And the stories to me she would tell  
She knew how to get my attention  
Without ever once sounding a bell.

Whenever I messed up really bad  
And thought I'd gone too far  
She'd just pour me another glass of milk  
And reach for her special cookie jar

My grandma's long passed away now  
But that cookie jar is on my shelf  
And whenever I start to miss her  
I just smile and help myself.

**Students' answers may vary. Here are examples of some correct answers.**

(41) (a) Who taught the poet all of life's lessons?

*The poet's grandma taught him all of life's lessons.*

**(1 mark)**

(b) Name TWO specific things the poet's grandma told him about.

*TWO specific things the poet's grandma told him about were heaven and sin.*

**(2 marks)**

(42) (a) Write **three** adjectives used by the poet to describe his grandma.

*Three adjectives used by the poet to describe his grandma are: dear, sweet, old, wise*

**(3 marks)**

(43) Do you think the poet's grandma liked to read? State a line from the poem which supports your answer.

*Yes, I think the poet's grandma liked to read. A line from the poem which supports my answer is line 6 "While sitting in her rocking chair with a book".*

**(2 marks)**

(44) How did the poet's grandma comfort him when he was in distress?

*The poet's grandma would comfort him when he was in distress by pouring him a glass of milk and giving him some of her cookies from the cookie jar.*

**(3 marks)**

(45) Why does the poet keep cookie jar on the shelf?

*The poet keeps the cookie jar on the shelf to remind him of his grandma and her stories.*

**(2 marks)**

## GRAPHIC REPRESENTATION

**C** Study the advisory given below and answer the questions that follow.

Sorry for the



# INTERRUPTION



The Trinidad and Tobago Electric Company advises that the supply of electricity will be interrupted in the following area in Central Trinidad:

*WHERE*

Chaguanas Main Road

*WHEN*

Monday 15<sup>th</sup> February, 2016 from  
9.00 am to 4.00 pm

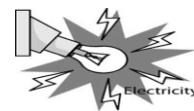
*WHY*

To upgrade and maintain the  
overhead lines and change light poles  
where necessary.

The Electric Company regrets any inconvenience which may be caused by these interruptions but assures the public that this work is necessary to continue to provide the best service to our valued customers.

### SAVE ELECTRICITY -:

- ❖ USE ENERGY EFFICIENT ~~BULBS~~ **Bulbs**
- ❖ TURN OFF ALL LIGHTS WHEN NOT IN USE



For more information, visit our website : [www.elecomp.com](http://www.elecomp.com)

(46) Which company issued the advisory shown above?

*The advisory was issued by the Trinidad and Tobago Electric Company.*

**(2 marks)**

(47) (a) What area will be affected by this advisory?

*The Chaguanas Main Road is the area that will be affected by this advisory.*

**(2 marks)**

(b) When is the interruption to occur?

*This interruption will occur on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> February, 2016.*

**(2 marks)**

(48) (a) What are the two reasons given for this advisory?

*The two reasons for this advisory are to upgrade and maintain overhead lines and change light poles wherever necessary.*

**(2 marks)**

(b) How can a citizen get more information about the work that is being done?

*For further information, a citizen could visit the company's website at [www.elecomp.com](http://www.elecomp.com).*

**(2 marks)**

(49) Why is this work necessary?

*This work is necessary so that the company can continue to provide the best service to its valued customers.*

**(2 marks)**

(50) According to the advisory, what are two ways to save electricity?

*Two ways to save electricity are to use energy efficient bulbs and to turn off lights when not in use.*

**(2 marks)**