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**MOTITHANG HIGHER SECONDARY SCHOOL
THIMPHU THROMDE**

“Every child is **inspired** to learn and **empowered** with **wisdom** to excel in life”

TRIAL EXAMINATION, 2019

English Paper 1 (Language and Writing)

Reading Time: 15 mins

Class: X

Writing Time: 3.15 hours

Date:

Full marks: 80

Name: Roll No. Class: Sec:

Invigilator's initial

Question	For Teacher's Use Only								Grand Total
	Section A		Section B						
	QI Essay	QII Letter	QIII Grammar						
	25m	15m	Q1 10m	Q2 5m	Q3 5m	Q4 10m	Q5 10m	Total 40	
Award									
Teacher's initial									
Total Marks Awarded									

READ THE FOLLOWING DIRECTIONS CAREFULLY:

1. Do **not** write for the first **15 minutes**. This time is to be spent reading the questions
2. After having read the questions, you will be given **three hours** to answer all questions.
3. This paper comprises of **TWO SECTIONS**, Section A for **WRITING** and B for **GRAMMAR** with **four** questions.
4. Read the directions to each question carefully and write **all** your answers in the space provided.
5. Remember to write **quickly but neatly**.

Section A [40 Marks]

Question I: Essay Writing [25 Marks]

Write an expository essay of 350-400 words on any ONE of the following topics given below. You will be rewarded for orderly and coherent presentation of materials, use of appropriate features and general accuracy of spellings, punctuations and grammar.

1. The increase in the number of motor vehicles pose a huge challenge in the urban areas.
2. Bhutan in its effort to tackle global climate change.
3. The engagement of youths meaningfully with various programmes during the vacations is necessary.

Question II: Letter Writing [15 Marks]

You are Phuntsho Lhamo a student of Punakha Central School, Punakha. Write a letter on any ONE of the following situations.

1. The Construction Development Corporation Limited, Thimphu has announced several vacancies for the recruitment of construction workers during the winter. Write an application to the chief executive officer mentioning your interest to join in their work force until the end of your vacation so that you can earn some money for your next academic session.

2. You are the School Cultural Captain. Place a supply order to Karma Stores, Thimphu, for the supply of uniform sets for the school dancers that you need for the school concert. Mention the date for supply and the mode of payment.

3. You wish to take up a short course on bakery in Institute of Food Science and Technology, Punakha during the summer break. Write to the manager of the institute seeking the information on the course, fee structure and schedule.

Section B [40 Marks]

Question III: Grammar/Structures

Q1. For each of the following questions, there are four responses: A, B, C & D. Choose the alphabet corresponding to your response and CIRCLE it neatly. DO NOT circle more than ONE response. If there are more than one choice circled, NO score will be awarded. [1x10]

(i) Select the correctly punctuated sentence.

- a) Pema is a terrific singer; his song's are soft, soulful and melodic.
- b) Pema is a terrific singer; his songs are soft, soulful and melodic.
- c) Pema is a terrific singer, his songs are soft; soulful and melodic.
- d) Pema is a terrific singer-his songs are soft, soulful and melodic.

(ii) The forms of the verb 'be' are

- a) does, do, did.
- b) has, have, had.
- c) can, must, should.
- d) am, is, are, was, were.

(iii) *I go to the school everyday.*

What part of speech is the word, 'everyday'?

- a) adverb
- b) pronoun
- c) adjective
- d) interjection

(iv) We must study,we won't be able to pass the examination.

- a) yet
- b) or else
- c) however
- d) nevertheless

(v) Druk Nyamrup Tshogpa won the 2018 election. The underlined word is an example of

- a) proper noun.
- b) common noun.
- c) collective noun.
- d) abstract noun.

(vi) “Icome tomorrow,” he promised.

- a) may
- b) shall
- c) could
- d) might

(vii) “*I can’t put up with Tandin’s nasty behaviour anymore!*” said Dorji.

Which one of the following is the closest in meaning to the given statement?

- a) Dorji cannot tolerate Tandin’s nasty behaviour anymore.
- b) Dorji doesn’t like Tandin’s nasty behaviour anymore.
- c) Dorji can’t put up Tandin’s nasty behaviour anymore.
- d) Dorji hates Tandin and his nasty behaviour.

(viii) What my teacher.....and what she does are not necessarily the same.

- a) tell
- b) told
- c) said
- d) says

(ix) The idiom ‘*Not playing a full deck*’ means

- a) someone who is intelligent.
- b) someone who lacks intelligence.
- c) someone who is not playing the cards well.
- d) someone who is playing with incomplete deck.

(x) My friend took up the job of mason.

The underlined word in the above sentence is

- a) an auxiliary verb.
- b) a phrasal verb.
- c) a modal verb.
- d) a gerund.

Q2. Read the following questions carefully and fill in the blanks. [1x5]

- i. The work which has *similar* meaning to **include** is _____.
- ii. The *opposite* meaning of the work **opposite** is _____.
- iii. The *synonym* of the word **grasp** is _____.
- iv. The *antonym* of the word **cover** is _____.
- v. The *homophone* of the word **accept** is _____.

Q3. Rewrite the following sentences using the instructions given in the brackets without changing their meanings. [1x5]

- i. No other land animal is as big as an elephant. (*Change into comparative degree*)

- ii. She is taller than I. (*Change into negative sentence*)

- iii. He was so sleepy that he couldn't stay awake. (*Use: too*)

- iv. She teaches music. (*Change into passive voice*)

- v. Pema was drinking water. (*Change into past perfect continuous tense*)

Q4. Write the correct form of verb given in the brackets to complete the following sentences. [1X10]

- i. Pema is (leave) for Gasa tomorrow.
- ii. Sonam (know) how to drive a car.
- iii. We(try) to come early yesterday.
- iv. The elephants (slow) left the field.
- v. Dolma is the (pretty) girl in our class.
- vi. The(pray) was conducted in the hall.
- vii. The wind (blow) gently while we were on the hill.
- viii. The mountaineers (cling) on to their ropes.
- ix. We (dig) holes to plant trees in the school.
- x. The players (are) on the pitch when the crowd lit up flares.

Q5. Edit the following sentences and rewrite them correctly. [1x10]

i. The poplar tree shaves in the fall.

ii. Sonam do very well in the class.

iii. Our principle gave a speech about reading books.

iv. All our class mates are in the hall accept Dorji.

v. We use to play basketball in the afternoon.

vi. Tashi and me went for a walk in the garden.

vii. We were in the bus when it started to rain.

viii. The children played the game of dyes.

ix. The cat chased the five mouse out of the house.

x. The swimmers jumped in the water.
