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Answer Sheet - I, II | පිළිතුරු පත්‍රය - I, II (English Medium)

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Answer Script – Paper I

Test 1

i	Join audio	d
ii	Wait until the host starts the meeting	f
iii	Find the link of the Zoom meeting	b
iv	Mute your microphone	e
v	Switch on your laptop	a
vi	Join the zoom meeting	c

Test 2

NOTICE
School trip to Galle

You can spend the morning at the Martin Wickramasinghe (1)……**c**….. In the afternoon you can visit the important (2)……**f**…… in the Galle Fort.

Date : Friday 25th November
Cost : Rs 2500/-
(3)…**a**… : 5.30 a.m.
Arrival : 6.30 p.m.

…**e**… your breakfast, a water bottle, a notebook, a cap and an extra …**d**…
Confirm your …**b**… to your class teacher.

01.11.2022 **Grade Coordinator (Grade 9)**

Test 3

This is a picture of a beach. There are a lot of (1) …**k**… on the beach. A man is sitting on a (2) …..**d**..... He has a book on his (3) …**f**... A boy is running towards the ice-cream (4)….**h**.. A man has two ice-creams in his (5)…**j**.. Two boys are making a (6)…**c**... There is a (7) …**e**.. near it. We can see three (8)…**b**….. far away. There are four (9)…**g**…. in the background. There is a (10) …**a**... in front of the buildings. A man is taking a family (11)…**i**... Everybody seems to be enjoying the day.

Test 4

Samadhi	Hi, it's nice to see you after a week. How are you feeling now?
Methuli	I'm much better. Thanks.
Samadhi	You have gone down a bit. Please take care (1) **of** yourself.
Methuli	I had no appetite (2) **at** all. Now I'm gradually recovering.
Samadhi	Is there anything that I can do (3) **for** you?
Methuli	Thanks, Samadhi. I need your help (4) **in** completing my notes.
Samadhi	Sure. Are you still (5) **on** medication?
Methuli	Yes, the doctor asked me (6) **to** continue with the medicine for a few more days.
Samadhi	Don't forget to take your medicine on time. I wish you a speedy recovery.
Methuli	Thank you, Samadhi.

Test 5

One species of elephants	(1)	**the African forest elephant/ the African bush elephant/ the Asian elephant**
Two distinctive features	(2) (3)	a trunk/ tusks/ large ear flaps/ pillar like legs/ sensitive skin (***any two of the above***)
A use of the trunk	(4)	Breathing/ bringing food and water to the mouth/ grasping objects (***one of the above***)
Tusks are derived from	(5)	Incisor teeth
A use of tusks	(6)	as a weapon/ as tools for moving objects/ digging (***one of the above***)

Test 6 & 8	
Content	**2**
Language	**3**
Total	**5**

Test 6

16.11.2022

Dear Kevin,

I would like to join the almsgiving. Tell Kushal that I will be coming. Let's take something for dessert. We can meet at the Food Cabin on Saturday at about 4.30 p.m.

Naveen

Test 7

1	How long did Queen Elizabeth I reign England?	**b**	**45 years**
2	England was in danger because	**a**	**Spain tried to invade**
3	Sir Francis Drake and Sir Walter Raleigh were	**c**	**heroes**
4	Where did they bring potatoes, tomatoes and tobacco from?	**a**	**America**
5	What is meant by '*a nest of singing birds*'?	**c**	**That period had many poets and playwrights**

Test 8

a **Duties of a Prefect**

A prefect has a variety of duties to perform. The main duty is to maintain the discipline of the students in the school. He/She has to look into the cleanliness of the school. Another duty is to organize the morning assembly. When there are special functions in the school, the prefects have to organize them properly. They have a main duty to help the teachers.

b **A historical place I have visited**

During the last school vacation, I visited Aluviharaya in the Mathale district. I went with my parents and my brother. Aluviharaya is in the Central province. It is a rock cave temple surrounded by hills. It was the place where the '*Thripitakaya*' was transcribed. Therefore, it is a historical place. There are beautiful paintings on the rock face. On the day we visited the temple, there were many locals as well as foreigners.

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Answer Script II

Test 9

There are many people around the world who enjoy studying various types of birds and their habits. Some of these people even (1) …… [**(a)** devoting **(b)** **devote** **(c)** devoted**]** much of their time to this subject. These people are (2) …… [(**a)** **called** **(b)** calling **(c)** call] ornithologists. However, you don't have to be an ornithologist to (3) …… **[(a)** watches **(b)** **watch** **(c)** watching] birds. Just about anybody interested can be a (4) …… [**(a)** bird watching **(b)** bird watchers **(c)** **bird watcher**].

Watching birds and studying their habits can be very (5)…… [**(a)** interest **(b)** **interesting** **(c)** interested] because it enables you to discover the secrets of their life. You can (6) ……... [**(a)** found **(b)** finding **(c)** **find**] out a great deal about birds through this hobby. For instance, you can see many different kinds of birds which you have probably never seen before.

Test 10

Raj	Hello Nizar! How was your sister's wedding?
Nizar	Hello Raj, it went off without a hitch. Thanks.
Raj	You must have been busy. Did you have a lot of work to do?
Nizar	It (1) **was organized** (organize) by an event manager.
Raj	That's good. I guess the organizing and decorations (2) **were done** (do) by them.
Nizar	Yes of course. We had to see to our attire only. Everything else (3) **was done** (do) by the event manager.
Raj	By the way, what was the theme colour?
Nizar	It was purple. The colour (4) **had been decided** (decide) by my sister even before she found the groom.
Raj	That's funny. Do you have any photos taken at the wedding?
Nizar	I was too busy to take photographs. The album (5) **is being made** (make) by the photographer these days. I'll show you the album when it is ready.

Test 11

Once every 30 seconds somewhere in the world Earth shakes slightly. These earth tremors are (1) **strong** enough to be felt, but (2) **cause** no damage. However, every few (3) **months** a major earthquake occurs. The (4) **land** shakes so violently that roads (5) **break** up, forming huge cracks, and (6) **buildings** and bridges collapse, causing many (7) **deaths.** Earthquakes are caused by the (8) **movements** of huge plates of rock (9) **in** the Earth's crust. They occur (10) **in** places that lie on the (11) **boundaries** where these plates meet, such (12) **as** the San Andreas fault which (13) **runs** 435 km through Central California. There (14) **are** two different scales for measuring earthquakes. They are Richter scale and the Modifies Mercalli scale.

Test 12

Filmmaking is the process by which a motion picture is produced. Movie industry (1) **originated** (origin) in the early 19th century. The first ever motion movie, '*Roundhay Garden Scene'* (2) **was shot** (shoot) in 1888. Hollywood (3) **is** (be) the world's oldest national film industry. Filmmaking (4) **involves** (involve) a number of complex stages. (5) **Starting** (start) with an initial story, it then continues through a long process. Screenwriting (6) **is done** (do) first. Casting is also an important part in this industry.

Test 13

1	Most of the people in Sri Lanka now grow plants in their home gardens. This helps them to save money. Moreover, they get an opportunity to eat fresh vegetables without harmful chemicals.	**F**
2	Animals have as much right to live as humans. They beautify nature. Some animals help in agriculture. They were commonly used for the purpose of travelling in the past.	**D**
3	When Minula was swimming in the river with two of his friends, all of a sudden he disappeared and then came up once and was trying to shout out for help. A man on the river bank at once jumped into the river and got hold of him when he came up for the second time.	**A**
4	Nowadays parents as a habit put a bun, a roll, a patty etc. into their children's snack boxes for breakfast. It is very easy for them but they do not realize that they are ruining their children's health. Such food is not good for health and has no nutritional value.	**C**
5	We must reduce the use of electrical appliances in order to reduce the electricity bills. Always make sure to switch off unwanted bulbs and fans.	**E**

Test 14 (a)

104, Perera Mawatha,
Moragala.
25th November 2022

Dear Senura,

How are you? Hope everything is fine. I could not write to you as I had been busy with a project.

You know that I'm the president of the Social Services Club of our school. We launched a project to help the needy children in a remote village in Ampara. Our parents and teachers helped in this project. We collected donations from donors. We collected stationery, school shoes and school bags. We took the donations to Ampara in a bus. Luckily we were able to collect a load of donations.

The children were overjoyed with our gifts. Most of them did not even have shoes or bags. I felt very happy at the end of the day. Please write to me about your school activities. Give my love to your family.

With love,
Udara

Test 14 (b)

This table shows how Senith spent his money on different needs. He spent his money on accommodation, transport, food, stationery and phone bill. The amount spent is given in rupees and percentages.

Senith spent Rs. 6000/- on accommodation. He spent Rs. 1500/- on transport, which is 12% of his money. The amount he spent on food is 2500/-, which is less than the amount he spent on accommodation. The amount he spent on stationery is more than the amount he spent on his phone bill. An equal amount was spent on stationery and transport. The highest amount of money was spent on accommodation and the lowest amount was spent on his phone bill.

According to this table, Senith was able to cover his expenses with Rs. 12000/-.

Test 15

1			True	False
	1	Every country requires a great number of commodities	✓	
	2	It is not necessary to trade with one another		✓
	3	Different countries have different resources	✓	
	4	Coal is mined chiefly in Canada		✓

2 Nickel and gold come from **Canada** and **South Africa** respectively.

3 a Having a great deal of money or assets - **rich**

b An act of giving one thing and receiving another in return - **exchange**

4 **b The importance of trading**

5 **The climate in different parts of the world varies greatly and one region can grow crops which another cannot.**

Test 16

Write on **one** of the following topics. Use about **200** words

(a) Simple living brings stress-free life

Introduction (Paragraph 1) — What simple life is
- It is practicing simplicity in one's life
- Not accumulating too many things

Paragraph 2 — How one can lead a simple life
- Not trying to increase one's possessions
- Depending less on technology and services
- Not accumulating money
- Not depending on comforts

Paragraph 3 — Why one should not accumulate money/materials
- More accumulation leads to more attachment
- We may need more space and more security
- Our lives will be more complex
- We may lose peace of mind

Paragraph 4 — How simple living can be stress-free
- When our life is simple, we have fewer expectations
- We don't need to spend much money
- We can enjoy simple things
- We may not have to stress over accumulations and attachments

Write a name at the end.

(b) Duties of a responsible citizen

***** *Start as a speech – greeting the audience and taking permission. (Should include speech markers in between)*

Introduction (Paragraph 1) — Who a responsible citizen is
- A well-disciplined person bound by law and order

Paragraph 2 — Duties of a responsible citizen
- Should be self-disciplined
- Should love the country and its people
- Should know his/her responsibilities as a citizen
- Should be courteous and respect the rights of others
- Contributes to the society and community

Paragraph 3 — Advantages of being a responsible citizen and how it affects you and the society
- When we become well disciplined, we can be exemplary
- We will be dignified and respected
- We can be happy
- It affects the society and its people in a positive manner

Conclusion — End your speech thanking for listening and asking the audience to be responsible citizens

(c) Eating home-made food is healthy

Introduction (Paragraph 1)	What home-made food is • Food prepared at home in a healthy way Importance of home-made food • It is prepared by a family member or a trustworthy person • The ingredients are clean
Paragraph 2	• No artificial colourings or flavours are added • Too much salt, spices, oil and sugar are not used • Prepared in a healthy way • Prepared with love and care Disadvantages of eating fast food • Due to busy life style of people, they tend to eat fast food
Paragraph 3	• It is unhealthy as too much salt, spices, oil and sugar are used • Oil is reused many times to fry • Causes digestive problems, obesity and non-communicable diseases
Conclusion	Urge people to eat home-made food as much as possible.

d After the COVID 19 pandemic Meena and Shenushi meet each other after a long time.

Meena Hello Senushi, how nice to see you after such a long time!

Senushi Yes, we couldn't meet each other for months, because of the lockdown.

Meena It has been eight months, hasn't it?

Senushi Yes, of course. So how did you spend your time?

Meena Well, I spent the first few weeks with my family. It was great to be together again.

Senushi That's true. It's like our family bonds were strengthened.

Meena Then the online education started making us busy.

Senushi Yes, it was a new experience for all of us.

Meena And it was challenging too.

Senushi It was a challenge to students as well as teachers.

Meena What else did you do other than studies?

Senushi I learned cookery with the help of the YouTube.

Meena That's awesome! What did you prepare?

Senushi I prepared desserts most. Everyone appreciated my cooking. How about you?

Meena I did home-gardening. I planted vegetable and fruit plants. We get fresh vegetables from my home-garden

Senushi That's really great. I'm afraid, I have to go now. I have a class. See you

Meena See you.

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