



Sample English Placement Test

Language Structures

Part A: **Circle the letter (A, B, C, or D) beside the *best* answer to complete each of the following sentences. (10 x 1 = 10 marks)**

1. My family is going away. _____ are going to Ottawa.
a. *They* b. *I* c. *Them* d. *We*
2. Mr. Green gave _____ brother a car.
a. *her* b. *their* c. *he* d. *his*
3. He _____ us to the beach.
a. *has take* b. *take* c. *took* d. *taking*
4. The bank opens _____ 9:00 a.m. _____ Fridays.
a. *on, at* b. *at, on* c. *by, in* d. *to, at*
5. The group of business people _____ meeting in the boardroom.
a. *is* b. *are* c. *has* d. *have*
6. Sarah and Jane are _____ names.
a. *girl* b. *girls'* c. *girls* d. *girl's*
7. Could we have _____ more water?
a. *some* b. *much* c. *any* d. *many*
8. _____ any cookies left in the jar?
a. *There is* b. *Is there* c. *Are there* d. *There are*



9. I _____ to clean my bedroom.
a. *like not* b. *does not like* c. *do not like* d. *not like*
10. This is the _____ movie I have seen.
a. *good* b. *best* c. *better* d. *worse*

Part B: *Change the following sentences from the active form to the passive form. (2 x 2 = 4 marks)*

11. The teacher will collect the papers.
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12. The company is cutting down many trees in that area.
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Part C: *Change the following sentences to indirect speech. (2 x 2 = 4 marks)*

13. Brian said, "Chemistry is a very interesting subject."
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14. "Who took the last pencil?", asked Mrs. Green.
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Part D: *Combine the following pairs of sentences. (3 x 2 = 6 marks)*

15. I like coffee. My friend likes tea.
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16. This is the restaurant. I will meet you there at 8:00 p.m.
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17. I liked reading the book. You gave me the book.

Part E: Complete the following conditional sentences. (3 x 2 = 6 marks)

18. If she forgets her lunch, she _____

19. I would travel, if I _____

20. If we had won the game, we _____

Part F: Reading Comprehension Read the following text, and answer the questions below in complete sentences. (5 x 2 = 10 marks)

There once was a boy named Henry. He lived with his mother and father in a small house in a village. One day, a stranger came to the town. He saw Henry walking home from school. The stranger asked Henry if there was a hotel in the village where he could stay because he had some business to do there. Henry told him that the only hotel in the village burned down the year before. The stranger responded by asking Henry if he knew of a family that would allow him to stay the night in their home. Henry replied that he would ask his mother when he got home.

When Henry arrived home and told his mother about the stranger and the stranger's request, his mother told him to bring the stranger to their house. Henry found the stranger and brought him home. Henry's parents were very kind to the stranger. The stranger in return gave Henry and his parents more money than Henry's father made in one year. The stranger left that day. He told them to use the money they needed, and give the rest to others in need.

1. Where did the story take place?

2. Why did the stranger want a place to stay?



3. What did Henry's mother say to Henry about the stranger's request?

4. Why do you think the stranger gave Henry's parents a lot of money?

5. Do you think Henry's parents will give the rest of the money to other people who need it? Explain your answer.

Part G: Writing Choose one of the following topics to write about on the lines below. (4 x 5 = 20 marks)

1. Write a paragraph describing yourself.

2. Write a paragraph about the job or career you would like to have. Please explain why.

Marking Criteria for Writing Assignment:

Content (Ideas):	/5
Paragraph Structure:	/5
Organization of Ideas:	/5
Language Use (sentence structure, grammar, punctuation and spelling)	/5


