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Grade 8 EXAMINATION 2018  
Time 2 hours AND 10 minutes for reading

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## Instructions to candidates

- Answer all the questions
- This paper consists of 7 pages, count it and if any is missing inform your invigilator
- Do not write your **name and roll number** on the exam paper
- Make sure that **student's profile** is attached to the exam paper, if not, inform you invigilator.
- No extra paper is allowed.
- If you make a mistake, **cross out the incorrect answer and write your correct answer.**

This exam paper consists of following parts

Parts	Marks
Part one: Comprehension	20 marks
Part two: Vocabulary	25 marks
Part three: Grammar	45 marks
Part four: Composition	10 marks
Total: 100 Marks	

## For the markers only

PARTS	MARKS
Part one	
Part two	
Part three	
Part four	
TOTAL	%

**Read the following story and answer the following questions      20 marks**

A. Zaynab was a new mayor of Saaxil town. She wanted to change the town to make it clean and beautiful. The sight of dirty streets made her sad. She saw that the few garbage bins available were full of rubbish. They were overflowing with dirty water and rubbish of every kind. There were discarded food, pieces of dirty clothes, hair from barber shops, empty tins and cans, glasses and plastic bottles and more.

B. She had an idea to change the town and clean it up, so, she invited everyone to a general meeting. She told them that living in so much rubbish could cause diseases like typhoid and cholera. She has seen many sick people at the hospital. It was full of patients. "No, something should be done. People should come together and clean up the town to keep the disease away" she thought.

C. The people who come to the meeting looked smart. The mayor wondered which of them was responsible for the mess. When she spoke, they all agreed with her. "Yes, we have always wished to have a clean town, clean streets and compounds, fresh air and clean water. Mr. Ali said we can raise money to buy bags for collecting the rubbish and pay people to sweep the streets and garbage bins.

D. The mayor was very happy. She did not think that things will become so easy for her. She offered to buy more dustbins with money from the town council. Everyone, men, women, and children started cleaning up the streets. In a few weeks, the town was shining. There were posters all over the town urging the people to keep the town clean. At the end of the year, the town was awarded the certificate of the cleanest town in the country and the people were very proud and happy.



**Answer the following question from the passage 10 marks**

1. What made the mayor sad?

2. Why did she want to call people to meeting?

3. Mention four things that people wanted in their town

4. Why did Mr. Ali want the people to raise money?

5. Is it good for life to live in so much rubbish? Why?

**Circle the correct answer****10 marks**

1. The name of the mayor was

a. Zaynab

c. Ali

b. Zekarie

d. Asha

2. The mayor offered to buy \_\_\_\_\_ with a money from the town council

a. More bottles

c. More clean water

b. More clean food

d. More dustbins

3. The word shinning means;

a. Very clean

c. Very bad

b. Very dirty

d. Very dusty

4. The mayor wanted to change the town to make it.....

a. Clean and beautiful

c. Green town

b. Dirty and unhealthy

d. Over populated

5. There were posters all over the town telling the people to .....

a. Go the schools

b. Work with the mayor

c. Keep the town clean

d. Give more money to the poor


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 10 marks

**PART TWO: VOCABULARY**
**25 marks**
**A. Choose the word which is similar to the underlined words**

1. sight of dirty streets made her sad
  - a. unhappy
  - b. happy
  - c. strong
  - d. committed
2. They were overflowing with dirty water and rubbish of every kind.
  - a. Empty
  - b. full of
  - c. clean
  - d. dirty
3. It was full of patients.
  - a. Doctors
  - b. visitors
  - c. soldiers
  - d. sick people
4. The mayor wondered which of them was responsible for the mess.
  - a. order
  - b. disorder
  - c. tidy
  - d. situation
5. There were posters all over the town urging the people to keep the town clean
  - a. Advising
  - b. showing
  - c. sending
  - d. forcing

**B. Arrange the following words in order to make a sentence 10 marks**

1. Dress/a new/ we / have \_\_\_\_\_
2. Very/ mango / this /sweet/ is \_\_\_\_\_
3. A chair / the child / on / is / sitting \_\_\_\_\_
4. Has /two /she / brothers \_\_\_\_\_
5. Go / for swimming / go /they/ every Friday \_\_\_\_\_

**C. Match the words in column A with their correct meaning in column B**
**5 marks**

1.	School	A place where cars are kept
2.	Nurse	A place where children learn
3.	Teacher	a person who teaches the students
4.	Garage	A person who repairs the cars
5.	Mechanic	A person who looks after the sick people

**PART THREE: GRAMMER****45 marks****Articles: put A, AN, or THE in the following gaps****5 marks**

ice cream

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1. We want \_\_\_\_\_
2. Mogadishu is \_\_\_\_\_ capital of Somalia
3. There is \_\_\_\_\_ teacher in the class
4. Who is \_\_\_\_\_ youngest boy in the team
5. Do you like to have \_\_\_\_\_ orange or banana?

**Nouns: (A) singular and plural****5 marks**

	Singular	Plural
1.	Life	
2.	Cargo	
3.	Box	
4.	Lady	
5.	Child	

**B. opposite****5 marks**

	Word	Opposite
1.	Poor	
2.	New	
3.	Full	
4.	Short	
5.	Thin	



**C. Adjectives****5 marks**

Choose the suitable adjective to complete the sentence

- This house is \_\_\_\_\_ than our house.  
a. Bigger                      b. big                      c. large                      d. small
- The situation in the school is now \_\_\_\_\_ than before.  
a. Best                      b. Better                      c. good                      d. bad
- The mayor had an idea of making the town the \_\_\_\_\_ in the country.  
a. Worst                      b. largest                      c. cleanest                      d. smallest
- Ahmed is very short, he is the \_\_\_\_\_ in our class  
a. Tallest                      b. fattest                      c. shortest                      d. thinnest
- She is my sister, she is \_\_\_\_\_ than me 2 years  
a. Older                      b. taller                      c. fatter                      d. larger

**D. Tenses****10 marks**

Change the following sentences to past and future like the example

	Present	Past	Future
	I go to school	I went to school	I will go to school
1.	The child sleeps more hours every day		
2.	The teacher advises the children to revise their lessons		
3.	We play football in the weekends		
4.	My parents help me to be healthy and strong		
5.	My mother is preparing the dinner		
6.	Farmers are growing more farms this year		
7.	It is raining out side		
8.	Ali writes a lot of letters to his mother		
9.	I drink six glasses of water		
10.	My father teaches me at home		

**E. Complete the sentences with following words (and, but, so)****5 marks**

1. Ahmed is slim \_\_\_\_\_ he is health
2. The teacher told him \_\_\_\_\_ he did not listen him
3. He is a liar \_\_\_\_\_ no body trust him
4. This mount is very high \_\_\_\_\_ I can't clime it
5. She is a rich person \_\_\_\_\_ she is not happy

**F. Change the following sentences into question form****10 marks**

1. the rabbit runs faster than the cat

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2. we all know that Ahmed is a hardworking student

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3. I enjoyed the English class more than Math

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4. I am a student at class five

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5. These mangoes on the tree are rotten

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6. We shall go to the beach tomorrow

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7. The math was the easiest subject in the exam today

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8. Teachers are having their first meeting in the hall

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9. I am working on my homework

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10. She has a lot of home works to finish

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## PART FOUR: COMPOSITION

**10 MARKS**

Write a composition about your self

Use the following information

Describe yourself, name and age, your brothers and sisters, your favorite food and games,..... what do you like to become in the future.

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