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GRADE 8

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TIME 2 HOURS

Plus 10 minutes for Reading through the paper.

INSTRUCTION TO CANDIDATES:

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PART 1: Reading Comprehension	20 marks
PART 2: Multiple choice	30 marks
PART 3: Vocabulary and Grammar	30 marks
PART 4: Writing Composition	20 marks
TOTAL	100 Marks



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PART ONE: READING COMPREHENSION.

(20 Marks)

Read the below passage and answer the following questions.

Bashir and Ikran were travelling to Erigavo in a small plane. Also on the plane were the pilot, Captain Kaamil and two other passengers, Barkhad and his wife.

The plane took off and soon they could see the coast and the beautiful blue ocean beneath them. Then the plane turned and flew over the bush towards Erigavo. They travelled happily for over an hour. Suddenly, there were several loud bangs from one of the engines. Then there was silence. One of the engines stopped working. The plane began to lose height.

"I'm going to land in a clearing in the forest," said the pilot. "Keep calm! We'll be fine!" The plane came down gently and soon wheels touched the ground. But the ground was rough and the plane bounced up and down. One of the wings touched the ground and finally the plane stopped. "Is everybody all right?" Asked Bashir. He heard someone moaning. It was the pilot.

"Oh dear! I think I've broken my leg," he said. "I've broken my arm," said Barkhad.

Bashir and Ikran helped the others to climb out of the plane. "Where are we?" Bashir asked Captain Kaamil. "I think we're about 80 kilometers from the nearest town," he replied. "If we walk westwards we will reach a road." Bashir cut some branches from a tree and Ikran found a blanket. They made a stretcher with branches and blanket and put Captain Kaamil on it. Bashir took off his shirt and made a sling for Barkhad's arm. "Let's go! We must find the road!" Said Bashir. Bashir and Ikran carried Captin Kaamil on the stretcher and soon they were walking through the forest.

PART ONE: Choose The Correct Answer From The Passage

(20 marks)

1- Who was on the plane?

(2 marks)

- a) Bashir, Ikran and the Pilot were on the plane
- b) Four passengers and the pilot were on the plane
- c) Bashir and four passengers were on the plane
- d) Five passengers and the pilot.

2- What happened after about an hour?

(2 marks)

- a) Both engines stopped working
- b) The plane crashed
- c) One of the engines stopped working
- d) One of the wings of the plane crashed.

3- How many people were injured? (2 marks)

- a) Two people were injured
- b) Three people were injured
- c) Four people were injured
- d) No one injured

4- In which direction was the road? (2 marks)

- a) East wards
- b) West wards
- c) North wards
- d) South wards

5- What do they use to make the stretcher? (2 marks)

- a) They used branches and a shirt
- b) They used branches and a blanket
- c) They used branches and leaves
- d) They used shirt and blankets.

6- Where Bashir and Ikran were travelling? (3 marks)

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7- When the plane took off soon , what they could seen: (4 marks)

a)

b)

8- When the plane finally stopped? (3 marks)

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PART TWO: Multiple Choice: Choose the correct answer.

(15x2= 30 marks)

1. Rahma is the _____ student in the class.

- a. Good
- b. Best
- c. Better
- d. More good

2. Can Ahmed swim? No _____

- a. He can
- b. He is not
- c. He can not
- d. He does not



3. _____ you run, you will not catch the bus.
- Unless
 - When
 - If
 - Although
4. I live _____ that house.
- From
 - On
 - Above
 - In
5. Ali never _____ the truth.
- Tell
 - tells
 - Telling
 - Is told
6. There are broken glasses _____ the floor
- On
 - At
 - In
 - Above
7. I love my mother. She always helps _____
- Myself
 - Me
 - I
 - Mine
8. Give me that pen. It is _____
- My one
 - My
 - Mine
 - Myself

9. There is _____ cat in that room
- a
 - an
 - the
 - who
10. The cat is _____ meat now.
- Eating
 - eat
 - Ate
 - Eaten
11. Where is Ali? Can you tell me _____ number?
- Him
 - His
 - My
 - Himself
12. The student was quiet for many hours.
- Violent
 - Noisy
 - Silent
 - Quite
13. An adverb is a word that describes
- Pronoun
 - Noun
 - Verb
 - Preposition
14. Our school is very near. The word near is
- Pronoun
 - Adjective
 - Verbs
 - Adverbs
15. We have a big house.
- Large
 - Beautiful
 - Small
 - Tiny

PART THREE. SECTION A:

Fill In The Blank Spaces With The Past Simple From The Verbs In The Brackets. (6marks)

1. I _____(see) your brother in town yesterday.
2. Abdul _____(be) late for his lesson yesterday morning.
3. Three years ago Fawa and her friends _____(climb) mount Daalo.
4. He _____(begin) work in the hospital last year.
5. Ahmed's father _____(drink) too much juice last night.
6. The thieves _____(steal) all Keye's money.

Section B: Rewrite These Sentences As Negative.

(4 marks)

1. They paid their electricity bill last month :
.....
2. He wore his new suit at the wedding last week:.....
3. Amina was very clever, she understood her teachers well:.....
4. Rashid brought his books with him:.....

Section C: choose the correct tense for the verb in the brackets using either the Past simple or present perfect.

(5 marks).

1. My brother _____(work) for the same company since 200.
2. Aisha and Muna _____(learn) English for seven years.
3. The boys _____(take) their grade seven exam last week.
4. Mr. Nadif _____(teach) for over twenty years.
5. Make _____(build) her new house in 1996.

GRAMMAR WITH VOCABULARY

Section D: Match Column A with Column B

(10 marks).

No	Column A	Letters	Column B	NO	Let
1	Bush	A	Fertilizer from animals	1	
2	Skin	B	A plant which is like a small tree	2	
3	Sack	C	The fruit of a plant or bush	3	
4	Powder	D	A large bag which is made up strong cloth	4	
5	spread	E	Something which grows and has leave and roots	5	
6	Manure	F	The outside part of a fruit	6	
7	Berry	G	A seed is used to make some types of drink	7	
8	Plant	H	Something you put in the ground and new plant grow from it.	8	
9	Seed	I	Something you arrange and cover large area	9	
10	Bean	J	Very small grains that make a powder.	10	

Section E:

Fill in the blank space with present continuous tense of the verbs in the brackets. **(5 marks)**

Examples- The sun ----- (shine) = the sun is shining.

1. The boys _____ (sing)
2. The driver _____ (drive) the car.
3. Ladan _____ (stand) in front of her shop.
4. A plane _____ (fly) over the town.
5. The children _____ (play) with a ball.

