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DY 02 – English Language

Instructions to the Candidates

- (1) Answer all questions on the paper itself.
- (2) Time allocated for the examination is three (03) hours.
- (3) This Paper consists eleven (11) questions and seven (07) pages.
- (4) Write your Index Number on all pages of answer script
- (5) Tie up all answer sheets at the end of the examination
- (6) If a page or a part of this question paper is not printed, please inform the Supervisor immediately.

1. State the plural of the following words

- a. brush _____
- b. lady _____
- c. hoof _____
- d. life _____
- e. valley _____

(01 x 05 = 05 marks)

2. Fill in the blanks with suitable prepositions.

(at, by, in, to, in, for, on)

- a. I reached Ratanapura..... seven O'clock.....the evening.
- b. He left home.....car this morning to go.....Kandy.
- c. Sam injured his left leg.....the accident that occurred.....the main street.
- d. He used to go to office.....car but now he goes.....foot.
- e. They stayed.....Polonaruwa.....two days and left.....Anuradhapura.

(01 x 05 = 05 marks)

3. Match the words in column A with their meanings in column B and put the suitable letter in the box provided under column 'B'

A		B
a. Epidemic	<input type="checkbox"/>	: calm and peaceful
b. Plausible	<input type="checkbox"/>	: collection.
c. Accumulation	<input type="checkbox"/>	: seeming to be reasonable
d. Animation	<input type="checkbox"/>	: disease that spreads rapidly among people
e. placid	<input type="checkbox"/>	: liveliness

(01 x 05 = 05 marks)

4. Change the following sentence into NEGATIVE.

a. The machine is working now

b. She will be going tomorrow

c. Chelaka goes to university

d. My mother went to market

e. My sister has eaten all the sweet

(02 x 05 = 10 marks)

5. Change the following sentence into PASSIVE VOICE.

a. The shop keeper opened the gate.

b. Mrs. Perera takes the child to school.

c. Our coordinator organized the meeting.

d. The police imposed the curfew.

e. The Principle cancelled the meeting.

(02 x 05 = 10 marks)

6. Read the following passage and fill the information grid below.

Rabindranath Tagore one of the greatest sons of India, was born in Calcutta in 1861. As a boy Thagore disliked school and loved hills and rivers. He was educated privately at home and he spent his boyhood reading books and wandering among trees. He started writing when he was very young, his poems were very beautiful. Geethanjali was one of his famous writings.

(01 x 10 = 10 marks)

Name :-.....

Country :-.....

Birth place :-.....

Year of birth :-.....

Places he liked:-.....

Education :-.....

Hobbies :-.....

Literary works :-.....

Famous writings:-.....

Spent his boyhood :-.....

7. Ask questions so as to get the underlined words/ phrases as answers.

e.g. I came Yesterday
When did you come?

a. I went to the hospital to see a patient.

b. Amal goes to the library every Sunday.

c. Kamal will sit the exams next year.

d. They travelled to kandy by train.

e. The teacher has given the students a poem.

(02 x 05 = 10 marks)

8. Give the correct form of the pronoun given within brackets.

Our class teacher decided to take (1) _____ (we) on a trip to sigiriya. It was (2) _____ (she) idea to show (3) _____ (we) the exact picture of what we had learnt in (4) _____ (we) history book. It was arranged to spend two days on this trip. The teacher gave (5) _____ (we) a letter of permission to be signed by the parents. She said that (6) _____ (they) consent was very important. The teacher asked Ramesh to bring (7) _____ (he) mother or father to join (8) _____ (we) since we had to be accompanied by a parent. The students were asked to bring (9) _____ (they) letters of permission within a week. I also asked (10) _____ (i) father to help us to find a suitable bus.

(10 x 01 = 10 marks)

9. Read the following text and answer the questions given below the passage.

Every year, millions and millions of monarch butterflies fly 4,000 km from Canada to Mexico and then 4,000 km back again. They fly 45km every day for three months. They go to Mexico because it is cold in Canada. They are in Mexico for six months, from October to April. In Mexico they lay their eggs and then they die. In April the new butterflies start to fly back to Canada. There, they lay their eggs and then they die. The new butterflies then fly to Mexico. Monarch butterflies always go to the same places in Mexico and to the same trees. How do they know the way? Why do they go to the same trees? Only the monarch butterflies know.

1. Why do monarch butterflies fly to Mexico every year?

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2. How long do they stay in Mexico?

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3. What happens to the butterflies after they lay their eggs?

.....

4. Fill in the blanks.

In Mexico monarch butterflies always go to the same

and to the same.....

5. According to this passage what is the distance from Canada to Mexico?

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(10 marks)

10. Write a note to your friend saying that you are unable to attend his/her birthday party.

[illegible]

(10 marks)

11. Write an article to a local newspaper on "Trees our saviors "using about 200 words. You may include the following points

- The use of trees
- Why trees are cut down.
- How the government and electronic and printed media encourage tree planting campaigns

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(15 marks)