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INSTRUCTIONS : ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS.

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Question No:	Marks Obtained	Maximum
Part A 1	25
Part B 2	10
3	15
4	15
5	20
Part C 6	15
Total	_____	100

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PART A - WORD FORMATION AND PUNCTUATION

1. (A) Use a suitable vowel combination from the list given below to complete the words given in the following sentences.

ea, ou, ee, oo

- (a) She t ____ k great interest in reading b ____ ks .
- (b) The fresh water of the f ____ ntain flowed down the m ____ ntain.
- (c) He tried to k ____ p up with the sp ____ d of the other rider.
- (d) The t ____ m stayed together until they r ____ ched the top of the hill.
- (e) They heard the s ____ nd from a distant ar ____ .

(05 marks)

- (B) Use a suitable consonant combination from the list given below to complete the words given in the following sentences.

sh, tr, cr, gr, st

- (a) Children often like collecting ____ amps.
- (b) The group of archeologists went looking for the ____ easure.
- (c) They ____ ew vegetables in their garden.
- (d) The girl saw a ____ adow in the window.
- (e) She ____ ried loudly for help.

(05 marks)

PART B – WRITING

2. Combine each set of sentences into one sentence using the words and or but. Make the necessary changes when you write the complete sentence.

(a) Kotmale reservoir is located in Sri Lanka.

Kala Wewa reservoir is located in Sri Lanka.

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(b) Lord Robert Baden-Powell founded the Girl Guide Association.

Lord Robert Baden-Powel founded the Boy Scout Association.

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(c) R.K. Narayana was a famous writer.

Asha Bosle is a famous singer.

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(d) Air pollution is known to be harmful to human beings.

Sound pollution is known to be harmful to human beings.

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(e) The Veddas live in Sri Lanka.

The Aborigines live in Australia.

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- (C) In the sentences given below there are two words given within brackets. Underline the word that makes the sentence meaningful.

- (a) He played his (role / roll) quite well.
- (b) The swimmer jumped into the (pull / pool).
- (c) He liked (reeding / reading) stories.
- (d) Do you (sea / see) my point of view?
- (e) The fire fighters climbed to the top (storied / storey) of the building.

(05 marks)

- (D) In this passage the capital letters have been left out. Rewrite the passage using capital letters in the correct places.

the kandy esala perahera is one of the most-awaited cultural festivals of sri lanka.

the perahera is in two stages, the kumbal perahera and the randoli perahera.

the procession of the temple of the tooth leads the perahera. this is followed by the processions of the four hindu shrines, the shrine of god natha, the shrine of god vishnu, the shrine of god kataragama and the shrine of god pattini.

(10 marks)

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4. Given below is a picture. Write 05 sentences describing what you see in the picture. Write at least 02 sentences beginning with 'There is / There are'



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(15 marks)

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3. Write a paragraph consisting of 05 sentences on one of the following topics.

a) My home town

or

b) My best friend

(15 marks)

The applicant:	When will the interview be held?	For Examiner's use only.
The Manager :
The applicant:	Around what time will the interview start?
The Manager :
The applicant:	What are the documents that I should bring when I come?
The Manager :
The applicant:	Thank you.
The Manager :
		(02 marks)

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5. Shama de Silva is looking for a job. She calls the Manager of the company to find out about a vacancy. Imagine you are the manager and complete the dialogue.

The applicant: Good morning.

The Manager :

(02 marks)

The applicant: I am Shama de Silva speaking. Can I know whether the vacancy for the Accounts Clerk is still available at your company?

The Manager :

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(03 marks)

The applicant: How old should the applicant be?

The Manager :

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(02 marks)

The applicant: Can I know the working hours of your company?

The Manager :

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(03 marks)

2. When was he born?

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3. Who appreciated his services towards religion?

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4. Was Wesak Day a national holiday in 1884?

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5. Who was responsible for getting Wesak declared a holiday?

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6. Write down the name of the Hindu Temple built by Sir Ponnambalam Ramanathan.

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7. Where is this temple located?

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(02 marks)

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6. Read the following passage and answer the questions. Write your answers in complete sentences.

Sir Ponnambalam Ramanathan was one of the national leaders of Sri Lanka who lead the fight for independence of the country.

He was born in 1851 in Colombo and was a highly distinguished public servant. He chose to live a life of continuous service to society.

His services towards religion were greatly appreciated by the Buddhists and the Hindus of our country.

In 1885, he set in motion the process that made Wesak Day being declared a National Holiday. He also built the Ponnambalavanishwarar Temple in Colombo for the Hindus.

Questions

1. Who was Sir Ponnambalam Ramanathan?

(03 marks)