



Let the mind manage the body
Que l'esprit gère le corps

ENGLISH

(Subject code No. P110)

Index Number:

MAURITIUS EXAMINATIONS SYNDICATE

Primary School Achievement Certificate Assessment

October 2019

Time: 1 hour 45 minutes

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

1. Check that this assessment booklet contains **9** questions printed on **15** pages numbered 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15 and 16.
2. Write your Index Number on the assessment booklet in the space provided above.
3. You should not use red, green or black ink in answering questions.
4. Write all your answers clearly in the assessment booklet.
5. Attempt all questions.

Question	Marking		Revision		Control	
	Marks	Sig	Marks	Sig	Marks	Sig
1						
2						
3A						
3B						
4A						
4B						
5						
6A						
6B						
7A						
7B						
8A						
8B						
9						
Total						
HG 1 - 8B						
HG - 9						

Question 1 (5 marks)

Match the sentence on the left with the corresponding sentence on the right.
The first one has been done for you.

Be careful! There is an extra sentence on the right.

- | | | |
|---|---|---|
| (i) The sea is very rough today. | ● | ● Let's take some pictures. |
| (ii) The library will close at three o'clock. | ● | ● I'm trying to listen to the radio. |
| (iii) I've missed my bus! | ● | ● It would be dangerous to swim. |
| (iv) The lake looks splendid. | ● | ● What a cute cat! |
| (v) Please don't make so much noise. | ● | ● You should go early if you want to borrow a book. |
| (vi) Aunt Mira is unwell. | ● | ● I will have to wait for the next one. |
| | | ● Can we visit her this afternoon? |

Question 2 (10 marks)

For each item, circle the correct answer.

Example:

Neha and I went out yesterday. had fun.

- | | | | |
|----------|------|----------|-----|
| A | They | C | She |
| B | He | D | We |

1. Uncle Jack us to the cinema next week.

- | | | | |
|----------|--------|----------|-----------|
| A | took | C | will take |
| B | taking | D | has taken |

2. Every morning, I get at six o'clock.

- | | | | |
|----------|-----|----------|------|
| A | up | C | into |
| B | for | D | with |

3. The headmistress is absent because son is getting married.

- | | | | |
|----------|------|----------|-----|
| A | your | C | his |
| B | her | D | my |

4. He drank juice in the morning.

- | | | | |
|----------|------|----------|---------|
| A | some | C | many |
| B | few | D | several |

5. This is the girl mother works in our school.

- | | | | |
|----------|-------|----------|-------|
| A | whom | C | whose |
| B | which | D | who |

Question 3A (5 marks)

Read the given descriptions. Then, find a word to match each description.

Example:

You go there to watch films.

c i n e m a

(i) A place where you buy bread.

b _ _ _ _ _

(ii) You use it to dry yourself after a shower.

t _ _ _ _

(iii) Some people wear these to see better.

g _ _ _ _ _

(iv) A person who sells flowers.

f _ _ _ _ _

(v) A house or shelter for a dog.

k _ _ _ _ _

Question 3B (5 marks)

For each item, circle the correct answer.

1. We took the broken tables and chairs to the to be repaired.

- | | | | |
|----------|--------|----------|-----------|
| A | lawyer | C | carpenter |
| B | doctor | D | cobbler |

2. Have you your homework yet?

- | | | | |
|----------|------|----------|------|
| A | said | C | made |
| B | told | D | done |

3. My eyes hurt when I too much television.

- | | | | |
|----------|-------|----------|--------|
| A | see | C | look |
| B | watch | D | notice |

4. I used this to bake a delicious cake.

- | | | | |
|----------|------------|----------|--------|
| A | recipe | C | poster |
| B | dictionary | D | form |

5. The audience loudly at the end of the concert.

- | | | | |
|----------|---------|----------|--------|
| A | thanked | C | played |
| B | clapped | D | worked |

Question 4A (10 marks)

Read the text below.

Zinedine Zidane

Zinedine Zidane was a very famous footballer. He was born in Marseille in France. His parents had moved to France from Algeria.

When he was 14, Zidane, or 'Zizou' as he was nicknamed, joined his first football club, AS Cannes. At the age of 20, he moved to Bordeaux Football Club. He was very successful there. In 1996, he joined Juventus, one of the biggest football clubs in Italy. He won two championships with Juventus. In 2001, he moved to Real Madrid, one of the greatest football clubs in Spain. Real Madrid paid 66 million dollars to Juventus for Zidane to play for them. This made him the world's most expensive player at the time.



Zidane with the World Cup trophy

Zidane became a national hero in France during the 1998 football World Cup. He scored twice in the World Cup final against Brazil. France won the game 3-0 and became world champion for the first time in its history.

Zidane won the Ballon D'or – one of the most important awards in world football – three times. He stopped playing football in 2006. He then became a very successful football coach.

(Adapted from *www.britannica.com*)

Now answer the following questions.

- 1. This passage is about the career of : **Zinedine Zidane**
- 2. Country of origin of Zidane's parents :
- 3. Age at which Zidane joined AS Cannes :
- 4. Another name given to Zinedine Zidane :
- 5. Italian football club Zidane played for :
- 6. Year Zidane moved to Real Madrid :
- 7. Amount of money Real Madrid paid for Zidane :
- 8. Number of goals Zidane scored in the 1998 World Cup Final :
- 9. The team France beat to win the 1998 World Cup :
- 10. Number of times Zidane won the Ballon D'Or :
- 11. What job Zidane did after retiring as a player :

Question 4B (15 marks)

Read the text below.

"I'm going to miss you so much, Poppy," said Ryan. He bent down to hug his old dog farewell. He stood up, hugged his parents and smiled.

Ryan said, "I'll see you back home in a month. Please take care of yourselves, OK?"

His parents nodded and they watched as he went into the bus. He was going to spend some days with his grandparents. The boy's mother turned to the dog. "Poppy, time to go back home."

The house was like a tomb without Ryan. Poppy didn't seem interested in her dinner, her favourite toy, or even her daily walk. Her owners were sad too but they knew their son would be back soon.

They offered the dog some of her favourite biscuits. They rubbed her belly. They even let her sit on the sofa but the old dog just wasn't her usual cheerful self and did not eat anything. Her owners started to get worried.

"What should we do to cheer Poppy up?" asked Dad.

"I have an idea," smiled Mum. "Maybe we need one more dog to keep Poppy company since she might be feeling lonely."

"You are a genius!" Dad said.

It wasn't long before Mum and Dad came back home with a puppy in a box. Poppy welcomed them home as usual. When she saw the box, she sniffed it. Her long tail began wagging slowly, then faster as she caught the smell of another dog.

Dad put the box on the ground. A shiny little wet nose came up. Then two paws. Soon, out came a cute, golden puppy.

Poppy was amazed. She wagged her tail and barked with joy. The puppy was not shy. She licked Poppy's face and started jumping around.

"That was quick!" remarked Mum happily, as both dogs went round the house chasing each other.

When Ryan arrived home from his grandparents' place, he bent down to give Poppy a big hug. He fell over in surprise as a small golden puppy came racing up to lick his face too.

"That's Cooky," said Dad.

"I can't believe you got yourselves a puppy!"

"We didn't," replied Mum. "This puppy is for Poppy!"

(Adapted from *A Puppy for Poppy*, by RV Staff Writer J.C.)

1. **Indicate whether the following statements are True or False by ticking the appropriate box.** [3]

	True	False
(i) Ryan was sad to leave Poppy.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
(ii) Dad did not want another dog.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
(iii) Cooky was a black puppy.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Circle the correct answer.

2. Ryan was going to [1]

- A** look for a box
- B** play with his friends
- C** visit his grandparents
- D** buy a new dog

3. We know that Poppy was unhappy because she [1]

- A** stopped eating
- B** cried a lot
- C** barked all the time
- D** bit her owners

4. "The house was **like a tomb** without Ryan." This means that the house was very [1]

- A** scary
- B** quiet
- C** dirty
- D** dark

5. To cheer Poppy up, Mum suggested to [1]
- A call Ryan back
 - B take Poppy for a walk
 - C give Poppy more food
 - D get a new dog

6. When Poppy realised that the box contained a puppy, she was [1]
- A jealous
 - B angry
 - C excited
 - D worried

Now answer the following questions.

7. According to you, why was Mum happy to see the dogs playing together? [1]
-

8. How did Ryan feel when he saw Cooky? [1]
-

9. Circle **two** adjectives from the list below that best describe Cooky. [2]

big	strong	friendly
	playful	dangerous

10. **Put the following events in the correct order as they happen in the text.** [3]

The first one has been done for you.

Mum and Dad come home with a box.

Ryan says goodbye to his family.

Poppy plays with Cooky.

Mum and Dad are worried about Poppy.

Question 5 (10 marks)

Write sentences by:

(i) separating the words. [1]

Anoldmanlivedinthevillage.

.....

(ii) putting the words in order. [1]

postman – afternoon – the – delivered – in – letters – the – many

.....

(iii) putting the following into the interrogative form. [2]

He is reading an interesting book.

.....

(iv) putting the adverb ‘carefully’ in the right place. [1]

I painted carefully the room.

.....

(v) putting the following into the negative form. [2]

She sells vegetables.

.....

(vi) adding the adjective ‘better’ in the right place. [1]

Serena is a player than Maria. (better)

.....

Write one sentence by:

(vii) using the following words: [2]

weather - decide - beach

.....

.....

Question 6A (5 marks)

Complete the following text by writing one suitable word from the list given in each blank space. Be careful! There is an extra word in the given list.

The first one has been done for you.

scared	looked	tiny	eyes	screamed	floor	crash
--------	--------	------	------	----------	-------	-------

A mouse in the house!

There was a tiny mouse in the house. Sofia saw it first. "Mouse!" she
, jumping on the sofa. The cushions fell on the

"Where?" asked Zaheer, her brother. He was too and jumped on the table.

The plates fell with a "Catch the mouse!" Sofia told her cat. But the cat
 at the mouse and hid under the bed!

Question 6B (5 marks)

Complete the following text by writing one suitable word in each blank space. This time you will have to find the word yourself.

At that moment, Sofia decided that she would chase the mouse out herself. She took a broom out of the cupboard and searched the animal. At the same time, their little sister woke up due to the made by the children. She sat up on her bed, rubbing eyes sleepily. Then, she saw the mouse yelled. Terrified, it out of the house, never to be seen again!

Question 7A (5 marks)

Correct the mistakes underlined in the text below.

The first one has been done for you.

Its (.....**It's**.....) another sunny day. First, I think I will go for a walk on (.....) the neighbourhood. Second, I prepared (.....) a nice breakfast. After that, I might clean my room. I also have to go shopping (.....) with my mother. I wonder how many (.....) time we will take at the shop and if Dad will pick we (.....) up from there.

Question 7B (5 marks)

Fill in the spaces in the sentences below by using the correct form of the words in brackets.

Neville Longbottom, from the *Harry Potter* books, is one of the public's favourite characters.

At the (**begin**) of the story, he looks timid and shy. However, he gradually (**to grow**) into a heroic character. He often shows a lot of (**brave**). It is (**interest**) to see him change from a shy little boy into someone who is very (**courage**)!

Question 8A (6 marks)

Write one sentence on each picture to make a short story.

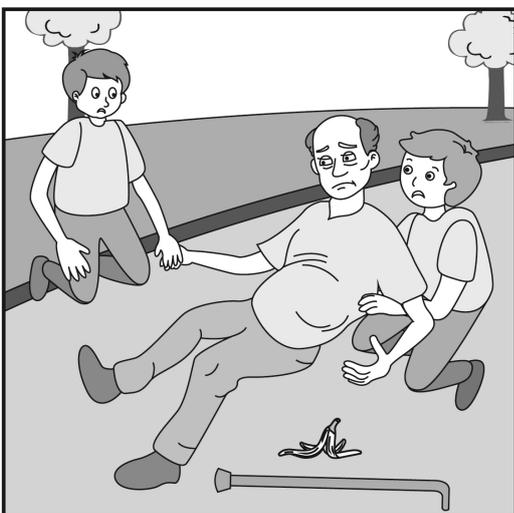
Use the words given to you.



one morning – road



unfortunately – banana peel



luckily – to help

Question 8B (4 marks)

Use the words in brackets to link the given sentences. Remember to make the necessary changes.

Example:

Cyclone Hollanda hit Mauritius in 1994. Cyclone Hollanda was a powerful cyclone. (which)

Cyclone Hollanda, which was a powerful cyclone, hit Mauritius in 1994.

1. Jay decided to go to the nearby community centre. His house was not secure. (as)

.....
.....

2. He reached the place. He saw that the place was crowded. (when)

.....
.....

3. The place was full. He managed to get some space to lie down. (although)

.....
.....

4. He also made some friends. They gave him food and drinks. (who)

.....
.....

BLANK PAGE

BLANK PAGE



BLANK PAGE