



# Grade 08 - English Monthly Evaluation Paper

## Unit 10 - Beyond The Classroom

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Revision Papers

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Time : 2 hours

- Answer all the questions.

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### 01. Complete the following sentences with the words in the correct tense. (10 m.)

ask / carry / count / listen / look / wait

1. She opened her purse and ..... counted ..... her money.
2. Amal ..... waited ..... a long time for the bus this morning.
3. The little boy was tired, so his father ..... looked ... him.
4. I ..... listened ..... to the wireless yesterday evening.
5. The lesson was easy, but some pupils ... listened ... a lot of questions.
6. Mary opened the book and ..... asked ... at the pictures.

### 02. Read the following passage and answer the questions. (10 marks)

Name there Bees types hives

Have you seen bees at work in your garden ? Watch them flying from flower to flower ? Watch them sucking up the nectars with their long flexible tongues. Have you ever paused to think about the life of these industrious insects ?

Bees do not live alone. They live with other members of their large family. Each family of bees makes up one colony or group. Each colony has a hive to live in. A beehive is made up of six - sided cells or compartments.

Thousands of bees live in a hive. There are three types of bees in a hive. They are the queen bee, the drones, and the workers. The queen is the head of the colony of bees. She does not rule them but her presence is essential. She keeps the members of the group together. She has one essential responsibility to perform. She lays eggs. The drones are the males in the colony. They are lazy creatures. They do not work. Their only function is to help the queen by fertilizing her eggs. They do this by mating with her. An unmated queen bee lays unfertilized eggs and unfertilized eggs produce drones. There are about two to three thousand drone in each hive.

Fertilized eggs produce worker bees. Unlike the drones, the workers attend to all the work of the hive. They build their home on trees or in the hollow of trees. They fly out into fields, forests and gardens and collect nectar and pollen. They convert this nectar into honey and store it in cells. They bring water to the hive.

They ventilate the hive and also protect it from their enemies. They feed their queen and look after her young ones. These are the responsibilities of the worker bees. There are about thirty to forty thousand worker bees in each hive. All these bees - the queen, the drones and workers live and work together.

1. Do bees live alone? *They...live...with...other...members...of...their...family*
2. What is a family of bees called? *bee...makes...up...one...colony...or...group*
3. Name three types of bees in a hive? *queen...and...bees*
4. What is the chief function of the queen bee? .....
5. How many worker bees are there in a hive? .....

**03. Fill in the blanks with the words given in the box. (10 marks)**

visit , at , beautiful , favourite , there , like , lake , surrounded , highest , flowers

During the very hot months of April and May, Nuwara Eliya located (i) .....at..... the foot of Pidurutalagala, the (ii) .b.e.a.u.t.i.f.u.l. mountain in Sri Lanka, becomes a (iii) .....v.i.s.i.t...... holiday spot for Sri Lankans because of its cool climate and (iv) ...f.a.v.o.u.r.i.t.e...... scenery. Many Sri Lankans (v) .....t.h.e.r.e.... this area during this period. The town of Nuwara Eliya is (vi) .s.u.r.r.o.u.n.d.e.d. a small English town. (vii) .....l.i.k.e...... are English style homes of an earlier period (viii) ....h.i.g.h.e.s.t...... by numerous gardens full of colourful (ix) .....f.l.o.w.e.r.s and plants. The town has a pretty (x) .....l.a.k.e...... with clear blue water as well as several beautiful parks and gardens.

**04. Complete the following sentences using the past simple or past tense form of the verbs. (15 marks)**

1. Sunil .....s.p.e.n.d.e.d.... (to spend) his holiday in Italy because he .....w.a.n.t.e.d.... (to want) to learn Italian.
2. Sara .....r.h.o.n.e.d...... (to phone) her father at work before .....l.e.a.v.e.d..... (to leave) for her trip.
3. Amali .....t.u.r.n.e.d...... (to turn on) the radio after she .....w.o.s.h.e.d...... (to wash) the dishes.
4. When she .....a.r.r.i.v.e.d...... (to arrive) the match .....s.t.o.r.t.e.d...... already .....s.t.o.r.t.e.d.... (to start)
5. After the man .....c.o.m.e.d...... (to come) home he.....f.e.e.d.e.d..... (to feed) the cat.

6. Before he ..... singing..... (to sing) a song he ..... playing.... (to play) the guitar.
7. She ..... watching..... (to watch) a video after the children ..... going,..... (to go) to bed.

**05. Read the poem and answer the questions given below. (10 marks)**

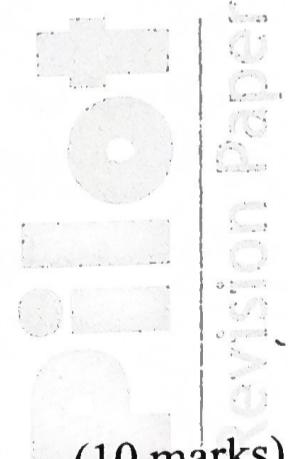
Like a parcel sent by post  
 Greyish purple what a sight  
 Came a rain cloud huge and moist  
 Occupying half the sky.

Wind has sent this precious parcel  
 Made of thunder claps and rain,  
 For the thirsting flowers and grass  
 From grey oceans domain.

1. The rain cloud is like a ... occupying... half... the... sky.....
2. What is the colour of the rain cloud ? ... Purple.....
3. Write two adjectives which describe the rain cloud ? ... huge... and... moist
4. What is the cloud made of ? .....
5. How does the rain cloud help the thirsting flowers and grass ?  
from...grey...oceans...domain.....

**06. Fill in the blanks. (5 marks)**

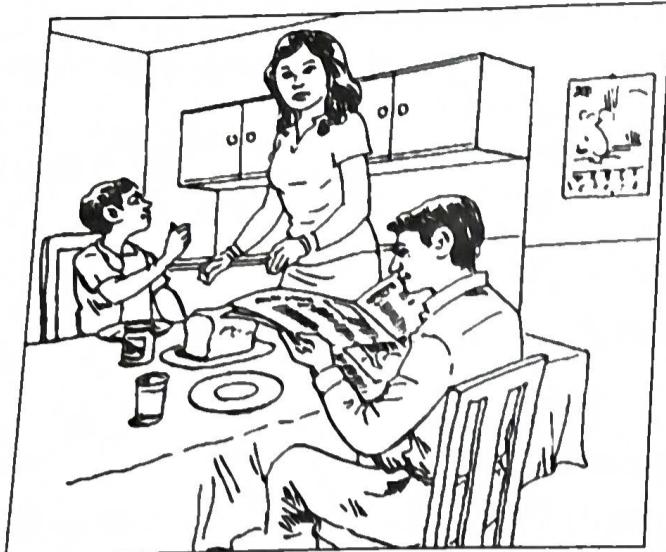
1. pr.e.ncip.al (e, a, i)
2. kn.o.wle.bge (o, b, d)
3. b.east (e, a, s)
4. h...a...o...y (e, a, o)
5. env.el.a.pe (a, o, e)



**07. Make sentences from the mixed words. (10 marks)**

1. rulers / got / all / the pupils / have ... the...pupils...all...rulers...have...got
2. the girl / has / a / new dress / got ... new...dress...has...a...got ... the...girl
3. got / in / your pocket / have / money / you ... money...have...in...your...pocket
4. has / the key / got / the teacher ... the...teacher...got...has...the...key
5. bicycle / a / got / has / the policeman ... the...policeman...has...got...a...bicycle

**08. Write five sentences about the below picture. (10 marks)**



..... father is a...nax...p...p...r...  
..... mother is a...marks...a...b...a...r...

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**09. Fill in the blanks in the sentences with the given words. (10 marks)**

(is , are , were , would , must , may)

1. I ..... may ..... like to hear about your last examination.

2. That temple behind our land ..... were ..... hundred years old.

3. You ..... are ..... look after your parents.

4. Our children ..... must ..... getting their holidays tomorrow.

5. ..... would be some of you can express your views on it.

**10. Read the following paragraph. In each of the lines (2-6) there is an extra word. Underline the word. (1<sup>st</sup> one is done for you) (10 marks)**

1. Galle Face Green is situated (of , at) the entrance to the Colombo Fort from Kollupitiya.

2. It runs parallel to the sea for (about , in the) quarter of a mile.

3. Its borders (are , is), sea on one side and the Galle road on the other.

4. (Off , On) the third side stands the Galle Face Hotel.

5. This is (an , a) big building with many large rooms.

6. This (was , were) once a very fashionable hotel.