

SEE 2081 (2025)
COMPULSORY ENGLISH
Reading and Writing
(Written Test)

Candidates are required to answer the questions in their own words as far as practicable. Figures in the margin indicate the full marks.

Time: 3 hrs.

Full Marks: 75

Attempt all the questions.

- 1. Read and complete the sentences below with the correct information from the poem. 'Nepal Educational Group' YouTube, Facebook $5 \times 1 = 5$**
Composed upon Westminster Bridge, September 3, 1802

Earth has not anything to show more air:
Dull would he be of soul who could pass by
A sight so touching in its majesty:
This city now doth like a garment, wear
The beauty of the morning; silent, bare,
Ships, towers, domes, theaters, and temples lie
Open unto the fields, and to the sky;
All bright and glittering in the smokeless air.
Never did sun more beautifully steep
In his first splendour, valley, rock, or hill;
Ne'er saw I, never felt, a calm so deep!
The river glideth at his own sweet will:
Dear God! the very houses seem asleep;
And all that mighty heart is lying still!

– William Wordsworth

- (i) The speaker shares his impressions of the view from
 - (ii) He, who does not praise the beauty of nature is
 - (iii) Temples, towers, domes, etc. are shining in
 - (iv) The poet feels to see the outlines of the city buildings.
 - (v) The houses are asleep and the heart of London is
- 2. Read the following text and do the tasks that follow.**
Like marathon runners, birds pace themselves so they do not run out of energy before they can land. They are always adjusting speed, height and flight path to account for changing winds, their own weight, and storms. In the spring, they retrace their paths back to their summer
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homes. Each fall, about five billion birds migrate south for the winter from North America. Nearly all 500 of the 650 species of North American birds migrate. Yet this is just one small part of the picture. More than half of all the bird species in the world-approximately 5,000 species- migrate, and each species is on a different journey.

Other animal species also migrate, including insects, amphibians, reptiles, fish and mammals. Migration is happening all the time: Herds of wild beast arrive every January at green pastures in the Southern Serengeti of Africa. Swarms of free tailed bats arrive each March to caves in Texas. Northern fur seals gather on Alaskan islands each June. In September, Chinook salmon swim up rivers in Washington State. If you are in the right place at the right time, you can witness these amazing journeys. Yet, no matter where you live, you can see some birds migrating. In fact, much of what we know about migration comes from studying birds. 'Nepal Educational Group' YouTube, Facebook

A. Write 'TRUE' for true and 'FALSE' for the false statements. 5×1=5

- (i) Birds store energy for their flights by running like marathon runners.
- (ii) Almost five million birds migrate south from North America in winter season.
- (iii) Migration is a regular process among animal species.
- (iv) Swarms of free tailed bats migrate to caves in Texas every March.
- (v) We can observe bird migration only from Washington State.

B. Answer the following questions.

5×1=5

- (i) What are the birds compared with in the text?
- (ii) When do the birds return to their summer homes?
- (iii) What portion of all the bird species move from one place to another?
- (iv) Which animal species except birds migrate?
- (v) Why do you think the wild beasts migrate to the green pastures in Africa? Give a reason.

3. Read the text and do the tasks that follow.

Janakpur Bolts Thump Sudurpaschim to Clinch
Inaugural Nepal Premier League Title

By MyKhel Staff, December 21

Janakpur Bolts clinched the first ever Nepal Premier League after a thumping 5-wicket win over Sudurpaschim Royals in the final at the TU International Stadium in Kirtipur on Saturday.

Lahiru Milantha smashed a 49-ball 87 as Janakpur Bolts made light work of the run chase of 185 against Sudurpaschim Royals. Milantha and

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skipper Aasif Sheikh (33 off 19 balls) shared a 73 - run stand for the first wicket in seven overs to lay the foundation for a smooth run chase.

After the two openers departed and the wickets fell at the other end, Harsh Thaker (30* off 24 balls) remained unbeaten alongside Mavan Yadav (2* off 3 balls) to see the team home with four balls to spare. For Royals, Scott Kuggeleijn, Saif Zaib and Ishan Pandey claimed a wicket each in a losing cause. 'Nepal Educational Group' YouTube, Facebook Earlier opting to bat first, Sudurpaschim Royals got off to a great start as openers Saif Zaib (69 off 43 balls) and Binod Bhandari (41 off 31 balls) added 117 runs from 72 balls for the first wicket before Lalit Rajbanshi broke the stand, leading to successive dismissals in the space of 3 deliveries.

Destined for a total above 200, Janakpur Bolts struck in regular intervals through Mohammed Mohsin (3 for 40) and Kishor Mahato (3 for 25) to keep the Royals down to 184/9 in their allotted 20 overs.

With this, Janakpur Bolts defeated the Sudurpaschim for the first time, having lost to the table-toppers twice earlier in the tournament. The final marked the close of the first edition of the Nepal Premier League (NPL).

A. Write 'TRUE' for true and 'FALSE' for the false statements. 5×1=5

- (i) Janakpur Bolts won the title of the first edition of NPL.
- (ii) Aasif Sheikh scored individual 87 runs.
- (iii) The three bowlers including Ishan Pandey took a wicket each.
- (iv) The run target to Janakpur Bolts was 185.
- (v) Binod Bhandari alone collected 117 runs to first wicket.

B. Answer the following questions.

5×1=5

- (i) When was the news published?
- (ii) In which Stadium was the final game of NPL played?
- (iii) Who remained unbeaten together with Mavan Yadav?
- (iv) Which teams played the final of the first edition of NPL?
- (v) Was the journey of NPL exciting to the Sudurpaschim Royals? Why or why not?

4. Read the biography given below and do the tasks that follow.

Pushpa Basnet, born in 1984 in Kathmandu, Nepal, is a Nepali social worker and the founder/president of Early Childhood Development Center (ECDC) and Butterfly Home, non-profit organizations in Kathmandu, Nepal. Her organization works to strengthen the rights of children living behind bars with their incarcerated parents.

Her efforts have been recognized by national and international media since she was nominated for CNN Heroes Award which she subsequently won in 2012. She has won the super Hero Award in 2016. Basnet started her career at the age of 21, while she was still an undergraduate in social work at St. Xavier's College, Kathmandu. As part of her college assignment, she visited the women in prison in Kathmandu. She was dismayed when she saw children with their parents behind the bars. She raised 70,000 rupees from her close friends and sister, and started a non-profit organization - The Early Childhood Development Center (ECDC) to provide a day care program to the children in 2005. 'Nepal Educational Group' YouTube, Facebook

In 2007, she opened a residential home for kids to live outside the prison year around while still visiting their mothers on holidays. Today, she has assisted more than 137 children of incarcerated parents. She runs a day care center for the prison children and a residential home for older ones. She has also helped to provide alternative residence, school enrollment, free meals and medical care to them.

Basnet has been awarded with CNN Hero Award 2012, which was held at the Shrine Auditorium in Los Angeles, California, on Sunday, 2nd December. Academy Award winning actress Susan Sarandon presented Basnet with the award. The show was aired LIVE through CNN.

When earlier interviewed by CNN, she commented on her venture as:

"It is not fair for (these) children to live in the prison because they have not done anything wrong ... My mission is to make sure no child grows up behind prison walls." "Nepal Educational Group" YouTube, Facebook,

A. Choose and copy the correct answer from the given alternatives. 5×1=5

- (i) ECDC and Butterfly Home are organizations.
(a) profit (b) non-profit (c) national (d) international
- (ii) Pushpa Basnet won Super Hero award in
(a) 1984 (b) 2005 (c) 2007 (d) 2016
- (iii) Pushpa Basnet began her at the age of twenty one.
(a) social work (b) college (c) career (d) organization
- (iv) Pushpa Basnet collected a sum of 70000 rupees from
(a) close friends (b) her sister
(c) close friends and sister (d) women in prison
- (v) Pushpa Basnet has provided to the children in prison.
(a) alternative residence (ii) alternative school
(iii) paid meals (iv) awards

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- B. Match the meanings in 'Column A' with the correct words from the text in Column 'B'. One word does not have a match. $5 \times 1 = 5$

Column A

- (i) worried, disappointed
(ii) an important official job
(iii) a group of people formed to achieve particular aim
(iv) to be chosen for important role
(v) suitable for living in; consisting of house

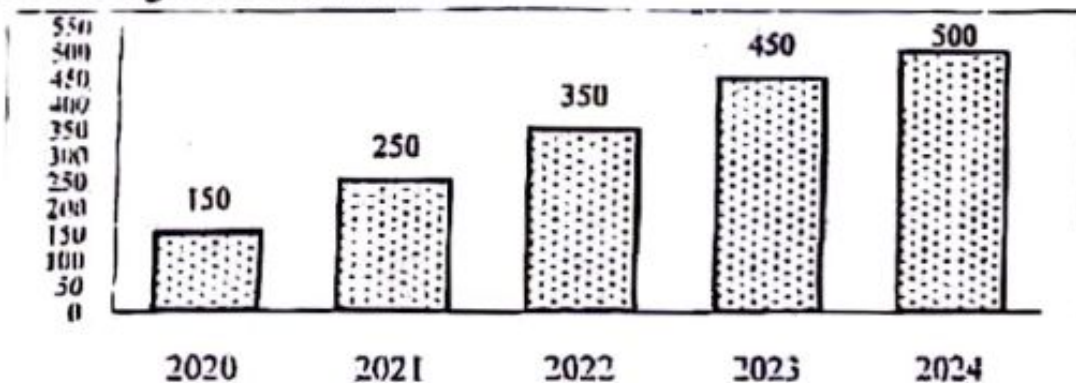
Column B

- (a) organization.
(b) recognized
(c) nominated
(d) dismayed
(e) mission /
(f) residential

- C. Answer the following questions. $5 \times 1 = 5$

- (i) Who is Pushpa Basnet?
(ii) Why did Pushpa Basnet set up a social organization?
(iii) What does ECDC stand for?
(iv) Why was Pushpa Basnet given a 'CNN Hero Award'?
(v) Where was the 'CNN Hero Award' ceremony held?

5. Study the bar-diagram and interpret it in about 100 words using the clues given below it. 5



XYZ school grade 11 admission 150 in 2020 increases by 100 each year lowest number in 2020 highest number in 2024 gradual progress quality education

6. Write a formal message of condolence to be published in a newspaper on behalf of XYZ School using the given outlines in about 100 words. 'Nepal Educational Group' YouTube, Facebook 5

Daman Nath Dhungana (15th Jan. 1942 - 17th Nov. 2024)
.. passed away at Frontline Hospital in Kathmandu lever related problem a Nepali politician and senior advocate the former speaker of the House of Representatives from 1991 to 1994 .. played important role in civil rights, peace process, democracy and justice .. heartfelt condolence

7. You are Arsey Chaudhary. You want to borrow a book for a week from your school library. Prepare a dialogue in at least six exchanges between you and the librarian in about 150 words. 6
8. Write an essay expressing your opinion on the effects of junk food in human health. Write it in about 200 words. 8
9. Reproduce the following sentences as indicated in the brackets. 6x1=6
- (i) Anita never gets angry, ? (Add a correct question tag.)
 - (ii) By the time I reached home, my father (leave) already home. (Use the correct form of the verb 'leave' to complete the sentence.)
 - (iii) Sunaina came late to school. (Change into negative.)
 - (iv) Krishna visits his grandfather once a month. (Change into 'How often' question.) 'Nepal Educational Group' YouTube, Facebook
 - (v) The teacher said to the students, "Don't spend your valuable time on mobile." (Change into indirect speech.)
 - (vi) The culprit was sent to prison by the police. (Change into active voice.)
10. Choose and copy the correct answers from the brackets to complete the given text. (Rewriting the text is not compulsory.) 10x0.5=5
- One evening in December I decided to see (a).....(a/an/the/ no article) my friend, Renuka. Renuka (b) (whose/ who/ whom/ which) everyone called a notorious woman decided to celebrate her 25th birthday. She invited her friends and relatives (c) (to/ for/ in/ of) attend the party. I met her and (d) (wished/ to wish/ wishing/ wishes) her a happy birthday. She was not happy (e) (although/ because/ in spite of/ otherwise) the memorable moment. Suddenly, a lady police officer appeared. She made Renuka (f) (accepts/ accepted/ accept/ accepting) the case of damaging the minister's car because of her reckless driving. She (g) (takes/ was being taken/ was taken/ had taken) to the police station. In the police station, the Deputy Superintendent of police said, "Renuka (h) (May/ must/ can/ will) pay for the harm she has made." If Renuka had driven her motorcycle carefully, she (i) (will not cause/ would not cause/ would not have caused/ would not have been caused) the accident. Finally, she got the (bad / as bad as/ worse/ worst) penalty.