



# ST. PETER'S COLLEGE - COLOMBO 04

Third Term - 2021

Grade 08

English Language

02 Hours

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1. Select the correct spelling and fill in the blanks.

- 1) Gathe\_\_\_\_\_ (ard/red)
- 2) Visit\_\_\_\_\_ (ter/tor)
- 3) Gla\_\_\_\_\_ (our/mor)
- 4) App\_\_\_\_\_ (aer/ear)
- 5) Hob\_\_\_\_\_ (ies/bies)
- 6) Correspon\_\_\_\_\_ (dence/dance)
- 7) Sin\_\_\_\_\_ ly(cere/cire)
- 8) Furni\_\_\_\_\_ (sure/ture)
- 9) Mira\_\_\_\_\_ (cals/cles)
- 10) Communica\_\_\_\_\_ (sion/tion)

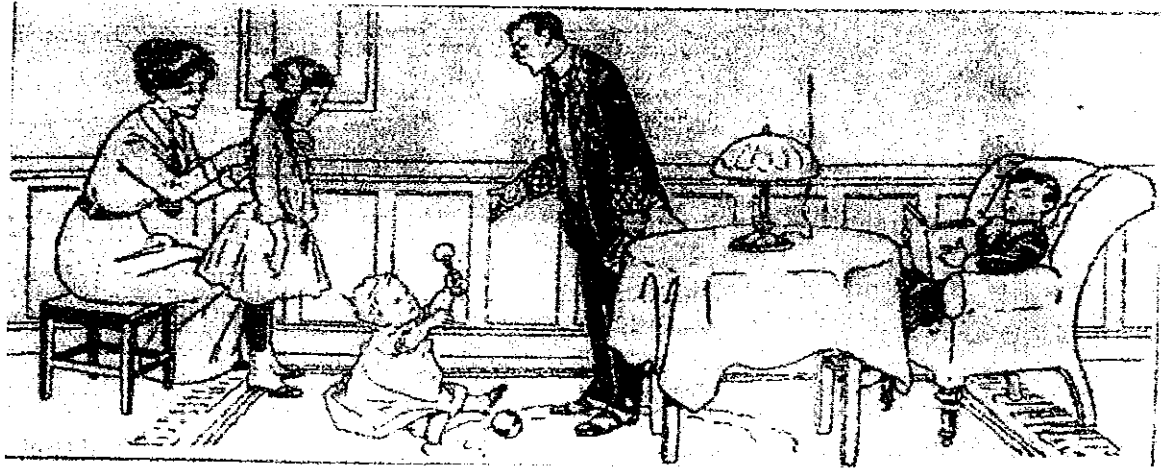
(10marks)

2. Match the question with the correct responses.

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| 1) What is the title of the book? | The family gets a good fortune.     |
| 2) Who are the main characters?   | Yes I did. It was very interesting. |
| 3) What sort of story is it??     | It is called the " Last Wish"       |
| 4) What happens at the end?       | Old Mr. Roberts and their daughters |
| 5) Did you enjoy it?              | It is an adventure story            |

(5marks)

3. Study the picture and fill in the blanks with the words given in the brackets.



(Frock, stool, kids, showing, standing, family, two, sitting, reading, lady)

This is a picture of a living room. There are five 1) \_\_\_\_\_ members in the picture. There are 2) \_\_\_\_\_ children. One of them is 3) \_\_\_\_\_ on a chair 4) \_\_\_\_\_ a book. The 5) \_\_\_\_\_ who seems to be children's mother is buttoning up the girl's 6) \_\_\_\_\_. The lady is sitting on a 7) \_\_\_\_\_. The youngest of the 8) \_\_\_\_\_ is sitting on the floor. The child is 9) \_\_\_\_\_ a toy to the gentleman who is 10) \_\_\_\_\_ in front of her. There is a lamp shade on the stool.

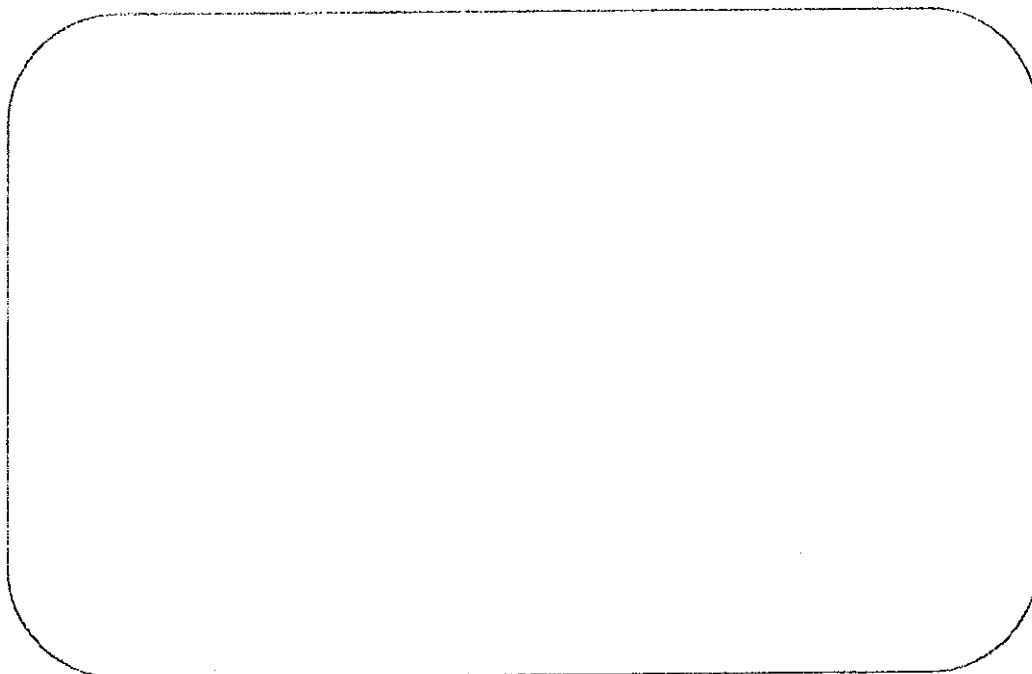
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4. Select the correct reflexive pronoun that should be used in the blank provided.

- 1) The trial \_\_\_\_\_ was more than what anyone imagined( itself, themselves)
- 2) Shirley and Michael helped \_\_\_\_\_ to make another cake. (themselves, themselves)
- 3) Did you actually build that all by \_\_\_\_\_?(yourself, yourselves)
- 4) She had to pinch \_\_\_\_\_ to be sure what she saw was real. (herself, myself)
- 5) The two of you should be very angry with \_\_\_\_\_ for making your mother cry. (yourself, yourselves)

(5 marks)

5. Write a note to a friend inviting him to see the school talent show. Include when and where the talent show is and about its unique items. (5 marks)



6. Read the dialogue and underline the missing prepositions.

David: I've got a new office now!

Maria: That's great! Congratulations.

David: I'll need a desk and some cabinets. How many cabinets are there in your office?

Maria: I think there are four cabinets in my office.

David: And do you have any furniture in your office? I mean other than the chair \_\_\_\_ (at, on) your desk.

Maria: Oh yes, I've got a sofa and two comfortable armchairs.

David: Are there any tables in your office?

Maria: Yes, I've got a table \_\_\_\_ (across, in front of) the sofa.

David: Is there a computer in your office?

Maria: Oh yes, I keep a laptop \_\_\_\_ (on, under) my desk next to the phone.

David: Are there any flowers or plants in your office?

Maria: Yes, there are a few plants \_\_\_\_ (near, in) the window

David: Where's your sofa?

Maria: The sofa is in front of the window, \_\_\_\_\_ (between, at) the two armchairs.

David: Thanks a lot for your help, Maria. This gives me a good idea of how to arrange my office.

Maria: My pleasure. Good luck with your decorating!

(5marks)

7. Look at the following picture and make 5 meaningful sentences.



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(5 marks)

8. Read the text given and answer the questions.

#### Radha's dream

Once there lived a girl called Radha. Her parents were poor and she was poor too. They had two cows which gave them milk. They sold the milk and bought their food and clothes. Radha's birthday came around and on that day her mother gave her a pot of milk saying, "sell this milk and buy some sweets for yourself". Radha was very happy and went away with the pot of milk on her head.

On her way, she began to think, "Why must I waste this money on sweets? I shall buy a hen and some eggs with it. The hen will sit on them and after about three weeks there will be small chicks. I shall feed them well and help them to grow. After about eight months the hens will lay eggs and I shall get chicks from them too. Sometimes later I shall sell

them and buy a beautiful saree and a jacket to wear. I shall look smart and pretty in my new dress. I shall then go along the streets tossing my head at the other girls". With that she tossed her head, and the pot of milk fell on the ground! The unhappy girl went back home, without the sweets and without the saree.

- 1) What did Radha's mother give her on her birthday?  
\_\_\_\_\_ (2)
- 2) How did Radha and her parents get their food and clothes?  
\_\_\_\_\_ (2)
- 3) What was Radha's dream?  
\_\_\_\_\_ (2)
- 4) How did Radha imagine going along the streets?  
\_\_\_\_\_ (2)
- 5) Why was Radha unhappy at the end?  
\_\_\_\_\_ (2)
- 6) To whom do the words underlined in the text refer to?
  - I. she-
  - II. I-
  - III. It-
  - IV. Them-
  - V. Her-(5)

(15 marks)

9. Complete the sentences with the appropriate passive form. ( simple present, simple past)  
Ex - The letter was written by him.

- 1) The puppies \_\_\_\_\_ (feed) always at the same time.
- 2) My birthday cake \_\_\_\_\_ (make) yesterday.
- 3) The organization \_\_\_\_\_ (find) last year.
- 4) World war two \_\_\_\_\_ (end) in May 1945.
- 5) Some phones \_\_\_\_\_ (produce) in Europe.

(5 marks)

10. Read the poem and answer the questions.

**The Quarrel**

I quarrelled with my brother  
I don't know what about,  
One thing led to another  
And somehow we fell out.  
The start of it was slight,  
The end of it was strong,  
He said he was right,  
I knew he was wrong!

We hated one another.  
The afternoon turned black.  
Then suddenly my brother  
Thumped me on the back,  
And said, "Oh, come along!  
We can't go on all night  
I was in the wrong."  
So he was in the right.

By Eleanor Farjeon

1) What is the poem about?

2) How many are involved in the incident?

3) Who are they?

4) Why did they quarrelled?

5) At what time of the day did this incident take place?

6) What happened at the end?

(6)

7) Find rhyming words for these.

Brother-  
Slight-  
Wrong-  
Black-

(4)

(10 marks)

11. Adjectives have three forms: positive, comparative, and superlative. The simplest form of the adjective is its positive form. Complete the other two forms.

Positive	Comparative	Superlative
far		
enjoyable		
close		
old		
attractive		

(10 marks)

12. Complete the following sentences with a suitable conjunctions. ( as, so, since)

- 1) Bobby couldn't take the book from the shelf \_\_\_\_\_
- 2) He didn't go to school \_\_\_\_\_
- 3) The match was postponed \_\_\_\_\_
- 4) My aunt couldn't drink the tea \_\_\_\_\_
- 5) I missed the school bus \_\_\_\_\_

(5 marks)

13. Use a prefix or a suffix to make a new word out of the word in the bracket. Complete the sentence with it. ex → write - rewrite

- 1) I can't answer this question. It is \_\_\_\_\_ ( possible)
- 2) Don't stand near the water. It is too \_\_\_\_\_ ( danger)
- 3) Kate started crying. Because she was so \_\_\_\_\_ (happy)
- 4) Thank you for your advice. You have been very \_\_\_\_\_ (help)
- 5) Stealing other people's money is \_\_\_\_\_ (honest)

(5 marks)

14. Write on one of the following. Use about 100-125 words.

- 1) "Mother Nature"
- 2) Time Management is the Key to Success
- 3) " The draw I will never forget "

(10 marks)