



**Negombo Education Zone**  
**Second Term Evaluation – 2024**  
**English Language**

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Grade 8

Paper I, II

Time : 2 hours

TEST 1:- **Match the signs with the meaning. Write the correct letter in the box.**

A

B

C

D

E

F



- I. Do not litter.
- II. Don't Park your vehicle.
- III. Smoking is prohibited.
- IV. Don't take photographs.
- V. Don't use your mobile phone.
- VI. Don't pick flowers.

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(5 marks)

TEST 2:- **Fill in the blanks using the most suitable preposition given in the box.**

under    across    above    through    over    around

- I. There is a cow eating grass .....under..... the tree.
- II. There is a fence ..... our beautiful garden.
- III. The train runs ..... the tunnel.

- IV. I can see some dark clouds ..... the mountain.  
V. The brown dog jumped ..... the fence and ran fast  
VI. Hiran swam ..... the river.

(10 marks)

TEST 3:- **Complete the dialogue with the utterances given.**

Shop keeper : Good morning. May I help you?

Rashini : (1)..... Do you have rubber slippers in size four?

Shop keeper : Let me check (2).....?

Rashini: I need a pink pair.

Shop keeper : I think we have in the store (3)..... I'll be right back.

Rashini: Thanks.

Shop keeper : (4)....., we only have in four and a half. (5).....?

Rashini: They are too big.

Shop keeper : We only have (6).....

Rashini: Yes, but in fact I was looking for the pink ones

Shop keeper : I'm sorry. You may have them by (7).....

Then you (8)..... and buy a pink pair.

Rashini: All right. (9).....

Shop keeper : (10).....

(10 marks)

would you like to try them on / You're welcome/ next week / Thank you /Good morning /  
/ your size in black./ what color do you prefer / give me a second/ can come back/ I'm sorry

TEST 4:- **Fill in the blanks using the correct reflexive pronoun**

Himself    themselves    herself    yourself    itself    ourselves

- I. He .....himself..... made a cup of tea.
- II. Mrs. Sudeepa is our dancing teacher. she ..... created the welcome dance.
- III. Did you prepare the invitations for all the invitees by .....?
- IV. We said that we ..... would prepare the lunch.
- V. All the children worked the plan very well and they felt proud of .....
- VI. Rishan asked Shehan, "Did our cat catch all these mice by ....."

(5 marks)

TEST 5:- **Read this passage and complete the grid.**

### **Slow-Fried French Fries**

There are certain foods that are better when not made at home, like French fries. To achieve golden-brown perfection, you have to fry them twice: first at a low temperature, to poach them; then at a high heat, to crisp them up. Very tasty, very much a pain in the neck. A few years back, I read about how French chef Joel Robuchon supposedly does it at his house: He puts sliced potatoes in a pot of cold oil, turns on the heat, and lets them go. It sounds too simple to work. But as the temperature rises, the potatoes cook from the outer layer in until the fries are wonderfully crunchy outside and creamy in the center. You'll never make fries any other way-even if you've never made them before.



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| I. Name of the food                |  |
| II. Name of the chef               |  |
| III. Colour of the food            |  |
| IV. Things used to make            |  |
| V. Find a similar word for 'crisp' |  |

(5 marks)

TEST 6:- **Complete the following sentences with correct form of adjectives**

Eg , Mahawali is the .... longest..... (long) river in Sri Lanka.

- I. Dilan is ..... (tall) than Gihan.
- II. Thuparamaya is the ..... (old) Dagaba in Sri Lanka.
- III. Methara is a ..... (beautiful) girl.
- IV. Amal is the ..... (intelligent) boy in our class.
- V. My frock is ..... (expensive) than her frock.

(5 marks)

TEST 7:- **Change the following sentences in to passive voice.**

Eg: My father bought the newspaper.

The newspaper was bought by my father.

- I. She ate the strawberry pie.  
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- II. Malmi brought a Honda car yesterday.  
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- III. My father washed the car and the bike this morning.  
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- IV. The teacher solved the problem.  
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- V. I drank two cups of iced coffee.  
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(10 marks)

TEST 8:- **Complete the following sentences using “as”, “since” or “so”.**

Eg: We decided to go out as it was a pleasant evening.

- I. The bags were heavy ..... we helped mother to carry them.
- II. The lady went to the bank ..... she needed money.
- III. .... it was cold, they put on their gloves.

IV. He ordered a packet of rice without meat..... he is a vegetarian.

V. They are going to hold a party ..... they will invite their friends.

(10 marks)

TEST 9:- **Read the poem and answer the questions given below.**

The Swing  
How do you like to go up in a swing?  
Up in the air so blue?  
Oh, I do think it the pleasantest thing  
Ever a child can do!  
Up in the air and over the wall,  
Till I can see so wide,  
River and tress and cattle and all  
Over the countryside  
Till I look down on the garden green,  
Down on the roof so brown  
Up in the air I go flying again,  
Up in the air and down!

Robert Louis Stevenson

I. What is the title of the poem?

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II. How many stanzas are here?

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III. Who is the poet?

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IV. What is the pleasantest thing a child can do?

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V. What can the poet see when he goes up on the swing?

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VI. What are the different colours in the garden and roof?

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VII. Find and write four sets of rhyming words from the poem.

i -----

ii -----

iii-----

iv ----- (10 marks)

TEST 10:- Write an essay on one of the following topics. Use about 75 words.

- My favourite person
- A place I like to visit
- A religious festival

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(10 marks)

### 11.Listening

Mark True ( T ) or False ( F )

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| I. This listening text is about a gentleman.                    | ( ) |
| II. He is Dr. C.W.W. Kannangara.                                | ( ) |
| III. He was born on 13 <sup>th</sup> of September 1884.         | ( ) |
| IV. First, he served as a teacher.                              | ( ) |
| V. In 1910 he became a lawyer.                                  | ( ) |
| VI. He was the 1 <sup>st</sup> Minister of Health in Sri Lanka. | ( ) |
| VII. He introduced English education.                           | ( ) |
| VIII. He served fifteen years as the minister of education.     | ( ) |

(8 marks)

### 12. Speaking test (12 marks)