



**GRADE TEN — GENERAL EDUCATION  
ENGLISH LANGUAGE  
SEMESTER TWO — 2007/08**

TIME: 2½ hours

TOTAL MARKS: 60

PAGES: 6

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**LISTENING 1 (Items 1 – 4)**

You will hear a conversation between a mother and son, who are on holiday in Malaysia. Listen, and for each item, choose the correct option: **A, B or C.**

- The conversation takes place \_\_\_\_\_.  
A. in a school                      B. on the beach                      C. in a shop
- In Malaysia, the coconut palm is called 'the tree of life' because it \_\_\_\_\_.  
A. tastes good                      B. has many uses                      C. provides medicine
- A coconut usually weighs about \_\_\_\_\_ kilos.  
A. 1.5                      B. 2                      C. 2.5
- At the end, they decide to buy some coconuts in \_\_\_\_\_.  
A. Salalah                      B. Malaysia                      C. Muscat

**LISTENING 2 (Items 5 – 8)**

You will hear some information about this evening's TV programmes. Listen and complete the table. Write **ONE WORD only.**

Time	Programme	Time	Programme
6.30	(5) A quiz about _____	8.30	(7) A movie called " _____ "
7.30	(6) Traditional music from _____	(8) _____	International tennis

**LISTENING 3 (Items 9 – 11)**

You will hear three people speaking. Where are they? For each speaker, choose **ONE** of the items in the box. Write **A, B, C**, etc, as in the example.

Example: "It's getting hot. I think I'll go in the water for a swim."      F

- (1) \_\_\_\_\_
- (2) \_\_\_\_\_
- (3) \_\_\_\_\_

**PLACE**

- A in a restaurant
- B in a hospital
- C in a shop
- D in a school
- E in a factory
- F at the beach
- G in a police station

**Write your answers on your answer paper.**

**VOCABULARY 1 (Items 1 – 5)**

Complete the text. Use five of the words in the box. Write ONE word in each space. (There are three extra words in the box.)

changed	decided	exported	filled
invented	joined	returned	stayed

In 1756, James Watt **(1)** \_\_\_\_\_ to leave his home in Scotland to study Science in England. He **(2)** \_\_\_\_\_ in London for three years and then **(3)** \_\_\_\_\_ to Scotland. After many years of hard work, he **(4)** \_\_\_\_\_ a new kind of steam engine. Watt's new engine became very successful and was **(5)** \_\_\_\_\_ all over the world.

**VOCABULARY 2 (Items 6 – 10)**

Complete each sentence/short text. Choose the correct option: **A, B, C** or **D**.

6. Do you know the name of the architect who \_\_\_\_\_ this building?  
A. collected            B. designed            C. controlled            D. rewarded
7. I really like this \_\_\_\_\_, but it's too small for my arm.  
A. bracelet            B. scarf            C. necklace            D. ring
8. After the rain, the road outside our house was full of \_\_\_\_\_.  
A. cement            B. metal            C. oil            D. mud
9. The bad weather made it difficult for farmers to \_\_\_\_\_ their crops.  
A. harvest            B. manufacture            C. attack            D. capture
10. If you're leaving early in the morning, you should \_\_\_\_\_ your bags now.  
A. wrap            B. cover            C. join            D. pack

**Write your answers on your answer paper.**





**GRAMMAR 2 (Items 6 – 10)**

Complete each sentence. Write **ONE WORD** only.

6. Both English and French \_\_\_\_\_ spoken in Canada.
7. "How \_\_\_\_\_ money have you got?"
8. We don't go to school \_\_\_\_\_ Fridays.
9. "I'm tired. I don't want \_\_\_\_\_ go out today."
10. "When did you buy your computer?" – "Two weeks \_\_\_\_\_."

**GRAMMAR 3 (Items 11 – 15)**

Look at the sentences. If the sentence is correct, put a tick ( ✓ ).  
If the sentence is not correct, write it correctly.  
Do not change the meaning of the sentence.

Examples: Ahmed is a nice man. \_\_\_\_\_ ✓  
Salma are a nice woman. \_\_\_\_\_ Salma is a nice woman.

11. This car was made in Korea. \_\_\_\_\_
12. He don't go to the party yesterday. \_\_\_\_\_
13. I've known him for three year. \_\_\_\_\_
14. I go fishing every weekend. \_\_\_\_\_
15. The next meeting will be on September. \_\_\_\_\_

**READING 1 [Items 1 - 4]**

Read the text, and then complete the task on page 5.

Kauri trees grow in New Zealand, usually on the top of hills. Their wood is white and is excellent for making furniture and building ships. Because of this, many of the trees have been cut down, and only 10% of the original forests survive.

Kauri trees are famous for their age. They usually live for at least six hundred years, and one tree on the North Island, known as 'Tane Mahuta' or 'Father of the Forest', is believed to be two thousand years old!

Kauri trees are also very large – 'Tane Mahuta' is 58 metres tall and has a diameter of 15 metres. However, in the past, they were even larger. Another famous tree, known as 'Kairaru', was twice as big as 'Tane Mahuta'! Unfortunately, it was destroyed by fire in the 1880's.

However, the kauri tree is not the tallest tree in the world. That is the sequoia or 'giant redwood' tree in California, USA, which reaches an amazing 80 metres in height!





**READING 2 (cont'd)**

8. Anne \_\_\_\_\_ to be Mona's pen friend.  
A. doesn't want                      B. is not sure if she wants                      C. agrees
9. Her father is a \_\_\_\_\_  
A. footballer                      B. teacher                      C. doctor
10. She sends Mona a \_\_\_\_\_.  
A. photo                      B. recipe                      C. cassette

**WRITING 1**

*Describe and comment on the picture below. Write 20 – 30 words.*



**WRITING 2**

*Write at least 75 words about the following topic:*

**'Reading is fun.'**  
(Do you agree or not? Give your reasons)

*Your writing should be clear, well-organised and interesting.*

**Write your answers on your answer paper.**