

SEE 2080 (2024)
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 the following text answer the questions that follow. (5x1=5)

I recently experienced a parent's worst nightmare. One evening my nine week old baby developed an extremely high fever. We rushed to our local community hospital and were admitted through the emergency department to the pediatric unit. We were discharged three days later. Thanks to the skilled doctors and nurses who cared for our precious little one. While our infant's care and health outcomes were fantastic, our experience was less than satisfactory.

During my hospital stay, many staff took the opportunity to bad-mouth their colleagues to me when we were alone. I am not sure if this occurred because I looked rather trust-worthy or they wanted to let me know they were more competent than their colleagues. The emergency nurses complained about the doctors' orders and the delay in response of the pediatric nurses. The pediatric nurses complained about the emergency room nurses' inability to get intravenous line. The pediatrician complained about orders made by the emergency doctor. Once admitted, our pediatric nurse complained about the pediatricians' approach to the care of my baby. Then the pediatrician complained about the pediatric nurse's lack of ability to obtain a urine sample.

- (a) Why was the baby taken to the hospital?
- (b) Which department was the baby admitted?
- (c) Why did the staff speak ill of their friends?
- (d) What complaint did the pediatric nurses make about emergency nurses?
- (e) How is the environment of the hospital?

2. Read the following text and do the tasks that follow. (10)

Sugar Loaf Mountain is one of the largest and most popular urban rock-climbing destinations in the world. There are 270 different routes to explore in the area as you climb high above the Atlantic Ocean and the sprawling Rio de Janeiro. You can give it a hand yourself, or watch other adventurers conquer the iconic mountain.

It is not the only unique landmark in the area. Its neighbours add to the tranquil beauty of the whole peninsula. Morro de Babilonia, or Babylon Mountain and Morro de Urca, or Urca's mountain are two neighboring natural wonders.

These two mountains are also accessible to the public and open to rock climbers. Morro de Urca offers a play area for children and a restaurant that serves up delicious dishes.

Sugar Loaf Mountain has made an appearance in Hollywood blockbusters. The beauty of the area makes it perfect for the big screen. Pao de Aucar made its debut on screen in the 1942 film "Now, Voyager" with Bette Davis. It has also been featured in a James Bond film, "Moonraker" in 1979 where one the scenes unfolds in a cable car. It has even been referenced in the popular cartoon sitcom, "The Simpsons."

- A. Write "TRUE" for true and "FALSE" for the false statement. (5x1=5)
- (a) Sugarloaf mountain is a symbolic mountain.
 - (b) 'Morro de Babilonia' is the ugliest mountain.
 - (c) Sugar loaf mountain has been featured in Hollywood blockbusters.
 - (d) James bond is a film producer.
 - (e) "The simpsons" is a Hollywood blockbuster movie.
- B. Answer the following questions. (5x1 =5)
- (a) What adventurous activity can be done in sugar Loaf Mountain?
 - (b) Where does Sugar Loaf mountain lie?
 - (c) What is the other name of Urca's mountain?
 - (d) Name a film mentioned the text.
 - (e) What is the purpose of the text?

3. **Read the following letter of recommendation and do the tasks that follow:** **10**

NOTICE

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

Thank you for your interest in Ronald McDonald House Charities of North Carolina, Inc. (RMHC) grant application form.

The following information **MUST** be submitted with your application.

1. A one or two-page cover letter on your organization's stationery, signed by the senior administrator, briefly outlining your proposal.
2. A copy of the Inland Revenue Code Section 501 (c) (3) letter. The date on the letter should prove that your organization has been in existence for three or more years.
3. A copy of your organization's most recent audited or unaudited financial statements or tax returns.
4. To show a broad base of funding support, please submit a list of your donations for the most recent year, showing amounts received from corporations, foundations, individuals, churches, etc. You do not need to include names.
5. A letter of endorsement from a North Carolina McDonald's owner/operator.

If any of the above information is not submitted with the application, your application is considered incomplete and will not receive consideration. If your organization has previously been awarded a grant from RMHC of NC, you are eligible to submit a new funding request to sooner than five years from the date of your last successful request.

Please submit two (2) copies of your completed application packet to Carl Lewis at Ronald McDonald House Charities of North Carolina, Inc., 46701 Six Forks Road, Suite 200 Raleigh, NC 27609. Be sure to include all collateral items listed above. Please **DO NOT** send magazine articles, videotapes or other material. If additional information is required, an RMHC representative will contact you to request specific information.

A. Write "TRUE" for true statement and "FALSE" for false statement.

(5x1=5)

- (a) The notice seeks applications for a job.
- (b) A letter of intent is not compulsory for submission.

- (c) The applicant needs to submit financial documents too.
- (d) Evidence of recent support money received from other organizations should be submitted.
- (e) Magazine articles and video tapes are optional for submission.

B. Answer the following questions. (5x1=5)

- (a) What does RMHC stand for?
- (b) What will happen if an applicant misses one document to submit?
- (c) Would you be eligible to apply if you received the grant two years back? Why, why not? Give a reason.
- (d) Who can the applicant contact to if extra information is required?
- (e) Who is more likely to be the audience of this text?

4. Read the following text and do the task. 15

Have you ever heard of great auks? They are flightless penguins about half the height of humans. Although very agile under water, they have been described as having a clumsy and rather awkward way of carrying themselves on land. These peculiar birds established one of their biggest breeding grounds on Funk Island, in Newfoundland. Chances are that you have never seen one - and you never will, since great auks became extinct in 1844 when the last two members of the species were killed.

Unfortunately, the fate of the great auk is not unique: a staggering on million species are threatened with extinction worldwide. At least 842 species of plants, fungi and animals are at risk in Canada alone. This is about the total number of bee species and four times the number of mammal species that exist in Canada. It is 842; too many.

Great auks went extinct before we could document their behaviour. We can only glimpse their existence through the journals of travellers. Counts of threatened species often mask what we are really at risk of losing; unique life forms and their complex interactions could disappear before we even have a chance to study and understand them. In Canada, that's 842 species, each with singular physical attributes, funny behaviours or impressive cognitive skills.

What can we do about it? While biodiversity conservation specialists work actively on protecting threatened species and their habitats, we

believe that studying behaviour in endangered and non-threatened species is also essential.

Researchers working on endangered species often use behavioural measurements to monitor animals' health with minimal disturbance (for instance, without having to collect tissues, remove animals from their habitat or euthanize individuals for research purposes). Health problems can be detected by observing changes in behaviour or abnormal behaviours, which happens frequently in animals experiencing chronic stress, infected by diseases or suffering from malnutrition. Changes in behaviour often precede reproductive disorders, death and population decline. Studying animal behaviour therefore allows us to detect problems at an early stage and act quickly to solve them.

A. Match the meanings in Column A with the correct words given in Column B. (5x1=5)

Column A

- (a) Moving or doing things in a very awkward way
- (b) No longer in existence
- (c) An animal that gives birth to babies and feed milk
- (d) poor condition of health caused by the lack of proper food
- (e) continuous decrease in number

Column B

- (i) malnutrition
- (ii) decline
- (iii) extinct
- (iv) clumsy
- (v) mammal
- (vi) reproductive

B. Fill in the gaps using the correct information from the text. (5x1=5)

- (a) Great auks are penguins.
- (b) Minimum species of plants, fungi and animals are at risk in Canada alone.
- (c) Before we could their behaviour great auks had gone extinct.
- (d) It is essential to study the behaviour in endangered and species to protect threatened species.
- (e) By observing changes in behaviour or abnormal behaviour in animals, we can their health problems.

C. Answer the following questions. (5x1=5)

- (a) State the physical characteristics of great auks.
- (b) Where do the auks breed?

- (c) Mention one special feature of 842 species found in Canada.
- (d) How do researchers check endangered animal's health?
- (e) What do the behavioural changes of the endangered animals follow ?

5. Suppose you are the General Manager of "Hotel ABC". Prepare a menu of food items available at your hotel with the help of the given clues in about 100 words. 5

Clues :
Lake side, Pokhara, drinks snacks lunch
..... dinner quality service is the motto

6. Write a news story using the given clues in about 100 words. 5

Clues:
Typhoid vacine given to children health assistants give Typhoid vaccine, March 15 - 17 children from ages 12 years to 15 years announced by the Department of Health Services.

7. Write a dialogue between two friends talking about the importance of games and sports to the children aged between 12 to 16 in about 150 words. Write at least six exchanges. 6

8. Each and every year Nepali farmers are facing the problem of inadequate seeds, fertilizer, irrigation, pesticide and so on during the period of farming. Write a letter to the editor of the National daily newspaper complaining this situation and also suggest some measures to solve the problems in about 200 words. 8

9. Reproduce the following sentences as indicated in the brackets. (6x1=6)

- (a) Nobodoy knows her pain, ? (Add a tag question)
- (b) I have already met her. (change into Negative)
- (c) Dharan is 52 km from Dhankuta. (Change into "How far" question)
- (d) Sadina (study) in her room when her friend rang the door bell. (Use correct tense of the verb 'study'.)
- (e) I hate people keeping me waiting. (Change into passive)
- (f) Suman said to his wife, "What did you do yesterday?" (Change into indirect speech)

10. Choose and copy the correct answer given in the brackets. Rewriting is not compulsory. (10x0.5=5)

There lived (a) (a/ an/ the/ no article) university student near my house. He used to go to university (b) (on/ in/ with/ by) foot. One day I met him when he (c) (was going/ went/ had gone/ have gone) to the market. He was in a hurry. I stopped and asked him, "Why (d) (you are running/ he was running/ are you running/ was he running)?" He replied, "The bus is about to leave, (e) (doesn't it/ isn't it/ aren't it/ didn't it)?" In fact the bus had already started (f) (because/ but/ as/ so that) some people were left behind. Neither the boy nor his friends (g) (was/ had/ were/ have) able to catch the bus. Everyone (h) (were stand/ was standing/ are stand/ is stand) on the road. If they were in time, they (i) (would catch/ will have caught/ will catch/ catch) the bus without any problem. In this way, the (j) (horrible/ horribleness/ horribly/ horrify) situation made them regret themselves.

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