

Practice test

Answer key

Grade 12

2021_2022

Use of Language

Directions: In this part of the test, you will answer 5 vocabulary and grammar questions.

Vocabulary:

(Choose ONLY 2 questions to answer)

1

Read the following.

The rise in house prices enabled him to sell his house and make a _____.

Which of the following BEST fits the above gap?

- wage
- profit
- salary
- pension

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Read the following.

He put the birds softly, one by one, _____ their little home.

Which of the following BEST fits the above gap?

- off
- out
- Into
- with

Do not write below this line.



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Read the following.

My sister _____ me how to make cheesecake.

Which of the following BEST fits the above gap?

- Learnt
- Achieved
- attended
- Instructed

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Read the following.

Ali is going to _____ a workshop for his colleagues next week.

Which of the following BEST fits the above gap?

- set up
- get up
- go out of
- run out of

Do not write below this line.



Grammar:

(Choose ONLY 2 questions to answer)

1

Read the following.

He _____ science at the moment.

Which of the following BEST fits the above gap?

- Study
- studies
- is studying
- have studied

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Read the following.

Khalid _____ to football practice twice a week.

Which of the following BEST fits the above gap?

- Go
- goes
- is going
- had gone

Do not write below this line.



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Read the following.

We _____ an Arabic film on cinema next Saturday.

Which of the following BEST fits the above gap?

- are watching
- had watched
- have watched
- were watching

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Read the following.

I used to _____ dad's car when I was younger.

Which of the following BEST fits the above gap?

- Wash
- washes
- Washed
- Washing

Do not write below this line.



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5.1

Fill in the gaps with words from the list below: (There is one extra word.)

original – cottage – immigrants – career

- A. The book has been translated into English from the original Arabic.
- B. My parents are immigrants from Palestine, and they have decided to settle in Austria.
- C. They went on a trip in the woods and stayed in a cottage for three days.

5.2

Fill in the gaps with prepositions from the box below: (There is one extra word.)

in - on - within

- A. Restaurants are within walking distance of my apartment.
- B. I saw a very bad accident on my way home.

5.3

Complete with the correct form of the words in brackets:

- A. Fahad (arrive) arrived from Japan last month.
- B. This is the (interesting) most interesting movie I've ever seen.
- C. We (play) will play football in that club tomorrow morning.
are playing
are going to play
- D. If you take a bus instead of a taxi, the fare (become) will become much cheaper.
becomes

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Do not write below this line.



OR

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5.1 Fill in the gaps with words from the list below: (There is one extra word.)

take - ambition - excursion - cooperate

- A. I have arranged with my friends for a/an excursion to the beach.
B. My greatest ambition is to travel around the world.
C. It is important for us to cooperate and help each other.

5.2 Complete the words with the correct suffixes in the box below:

-ment / -ist / -age

- A. The little boy remains at the orphan- orphanage until he ages out or is adopted.
B. The project needs full involve- involvement from all the team.

5.3 Complete with the correct form of the words in brackets:

- A. Mr. Ahmed is the (good) best teacher in the school.
B. Nada (leave) left for school very early yesterday morning.
C. If I get a promotion at work, I (buy) will buy new car.
D. My little sister (do) is doing her English homework now.

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Do not write below this line.




READING 1

Directions: Read the following then answer questions 6 to 9.


Harry Chen is a fitness expert. In his new book, he describes two diets from different countries and tells us what we can learn from them.

Text A

1. People in Japan are generally very healthy and one of the main reasons is fish. The Japanese diet includes a lot of fish, which contains healthy oil. It lowers the risks of heart attacks. By consuming more fish, you're also gaining a great source of omega 3, fatty acids and brain-improving nutrients. Another reason is that they also eat a lot of fruit and vegetables.

2. Japanese people eat less than in  other countries. This is because: firstly, people eat small portions on separate small plates, not one big plate. Secondly, some people eat until they are about 80% full. They wait for ten minutes to see if they are still hungry. This is called hara hachi bu.

Text B

1. There are many different regions in India with different types of food. The south Indian diet is especially healthy as it contains a lot of fruit and vegetables. There is a long tradition of vegetarian food in this area. They eat some meat, but not much.
2. In south India, people add a lot of herbs and spices, like  cinnamon and turmeric to their cooking. Spices not only make food delicious but are also good for digestion. The benefits of Indian spices are plenty and proven by several health experts around the world. They know that some of these spices can fight diseases, such as heart problems and cancer. They also increase the body's immunity.

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Texts A and B:

What are the two texts MAINLY about?

- the benefits of Indian spices
- the sources of vegetarian food
- the healthy eating habits around the world
- the components of a typical Japanese meal

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Text A:

Read the following from paragraph 1.

By consuming more fish, you're also gaining a great source of omega 3, fatty acids and brain-improving nutrients.

What does the underlined word "consuming" mean?

- eating
- fishing
- Selling
- Watering

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Text B:

Which of the following is TRUE about people in South India?

- They do not eat fruit.
- They do not like herbs.
- They do not eat much meat.
- They do not have a healthy diet.

Do not write below this line.



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9.1

Based on texts A and B, decide if the statements are *True (T)*, *False (F)* or *Not Given (NG)*.

A. Fish is a good source of omega 3.	(T)
B. South Indians started eating vegetables a short time ago.	(F)
C. Hot spices can sometimes be dangerous for the human body.	(NG)

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9.2

Based on text A, how do Japanese people eat less than other countries?

1 st way:	People eat small portions on separate small plates.
2 nd way:	Some people eat until they are about 80% full

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9.3

From text B, mention TWO benefits of Indian spices.

1 st benefit:	they fight diseases, such as heart problems and Cancer.
2 nd benefit:	They increase the body's immunity

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OR

READING 2

Directions: Read the following then answer questions 6 to 9.

1 Al Zubara Fort was originally built by Sheikh Abdullah bin Jassim Al Thani in 1938 to serve as a Seaside Defense station, although some say that it was built to serve as a police station. The fort overlooks the remains of a once busy pearling and trading town which had witnessed fierce tribal battles in the 18th century as powerful empires fought for regional control. It was later modernized into a museum to display different exhibits and artworks. It is the perfect place for fans of Middle Eastern history to learn more about military life in Qatar in the 18th and 19th centuries.

2 Al Zubarah is a ruined and very old fort located on the northwestern seaside of Qatar in Al Shamal city, about 105 km from the Qatari capital of Doha. The walls are made of limestone, the roof is made of compressed mud and the external stairs are made of wood. The fort was transformed into a visitor centre and several rooms were designated for showcasing the subjects of pearling.

3 The town of Al Zubarah was classified as a conservation zone in 2009. Since then, Qatar Museums has led teams of archaeologists and scientists to research the site and engage with local communities. In 2013, Al Zubarah was named a UNESCO World Heritage site. The site includes three major features, the largest of which are the archaeological remains of the town, dating back to the 1760s. Nearby is the settlement of Qal'at Murair, which was prepared to protect the city's inland wells. Finally, the most important feature at the site is Al Zubarah Fort, which was built in 1938. To the northeast of Al Zubarah, tourists can see Al Thaqab Fort, and if lucky, catch turtle hatching season along the coast.

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What is the MAIN PURPOSE of the text?

- to tell the history of a tribal battle
- to describe the 18th century life in Qatar
- to give information about a famous old fort
- to list some of the artworks exhibited in a museum

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Read the following from paragraph 1.

It was later modernized into a museum to display different exhibits and artworks.

What does the underlined word "display" mean?

- show
- know
- make
- move

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Based on paragraph 3, where can tourists catch the turtle hatching season?

- in the south of Al Zubarah
- in the centre of Al Zubarah
- to the northeast of Al Zubarah
- to the northwest of Al Zubarah

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9.1

Match each of the following to the date or detail it corresponds with.

Date	Detail
1938	Al Zubara Fort was built by Sheikh Abdullah bin Jassim Al Thani.
2009	The town of Alzubarah was classified as a conversation zone.
2013	Al Zubarah was named a UNESCO World Heritage site.

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9.2

Based on paragraph 2, what type of material was used to make the following parts of Al Zubarah fort?

Parts of the fort	Type of material used
Walls:	limestone
Roof:	Compressed mud / mud
External stairs:	wood

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9.3

From paragraph 3, mention THREE major features in Al Zubarah site.

Feature 1:	the archaeological remains of the town.
Feature 2:	the settlement of Qal'at Murair.
Feature 3:	Al Zubarah fort.

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