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# SECONDARY ENTRANCE EXAMINATION 2024

# **ENGLISH**

# **QUESTION AND ANSWER BOOKLET**

**Time Allowed:** 2 Hours + 10 minutes reading

## **INSTRUCTIONS:**

- 1. Write your **Student Enrolment Number (SEN)** on the top right-hand corner of this page and on page **23**.
- 2. This paper has **FIVE SECTIONS**. ALL Sections are COMPULSORY.

SECTION	торіс	SCORES	STUDENTS' SCORES
ONE	Reading Comprehension	30	
TWO	Language	30	
THREE	Informal Writing (Part A OR B)	10	
FOUR	Formal Writing	10	
FIVE	Literature	20	
	TOTAL SCORES	100	

- 3. Answer **ALL** questions in the spaces provided.
- 4. Use a black or blue ball point pen for your written answer. Use a pencil ONLY for drawings.
- 5. Write legibly and work neatly.
- 6. If you need more spaces for answers, ask the supervisor for extra paper. Write your **Student Enrolment Number (SEN)** on the extra papers used.
- 7. Check that this booklet contains pages 2 23 in the correct order and that page 22 has been deliberately left blank.

YOU MUST HAND IN THIS BOOKLET TO THE SUPERVISOR AT THE END OF THE EXAMINATION.

TOTAL SCORES 100

There are THREE passages.

Passage One: Instructional/Procedural Text

(10 Scores)

Read the following passage and answer the questions that follow.

# TOMATO EGGY BREAD

# **Ingredients:**

- 2 large eggs
- 1 tbsp finely chopped green onions
- 2 tsp tomato sauce or ketchup
- 2 tomatoes sliced
- half tsp soya sauce
- 1 tsp cooking oil
- salt and pepper to taste



Cooking Time: 15 - 20 mins.

Serves: 2

#### **Instructions:**

- 1. Crack the eggs into a wide bowl, and **whisk** with a fork.
- 2. Mix tomato sauce with soya sauce in a separate bowl
- 3. Spread one side of each slice of bread with the tomato sauce and soya sauce mixture.
- 4. Place the bread slices into the egg mixture and soak for 3 4 minutes, turning three times.
- 5. Heat the oil in a frying pan over medium heat. Fry the sliced tomatoes with the egg-soaked bread for 3–4 minutes, turning halfway through.

Serve while warm with a cup of hot milo. Enjoy!

## **MULTIPLE - CHOICE:**

#### Circle the letter of the BEST answer.

- 1. Identify the name of the dish this recipe is for.
  - A. Cooking Time
  - B. Eggy Bread
  - C. Tomato Eggy Bread
  - D. Serve while warm

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# Study the information text and answer the questions that follow.

#### Jacinda Ardern

Jacinda Ardern was born on July 26, 1980, in Hamilton, New Zealand. She grew up in a small town called Morrinsville and later studied politics and communications at the University of Waikato. Jacinda joined the Labour Party when she was young and later worked as an **advisor** to the British Prime Minister, Tony Blair, while living in the United Kingdom.

In 2008, Jacinda became a member of parliament (MP) for the Labour Party. She quickly became a popular leader, known for her focus on social justice and equality. In October 2017, at the age of 37, Jacinda became New Zealand's youngest prime minister in over 150 years. She is praised for her leadership during difficult times, during the COVID-19 pandemic in 2020.

Jacinda's handling of this crisis, along with her message of kindness and unity, gained her respect worldwide. In the 2020 elections, her party won a historic victory. However, in January 2023, Jacinda resigned from her role as prime minister, saying she no longer had enough energy for the job.

Jacinda Ardern is admired for her compassionate leadership and focus on making the world a better place for everyone.

Adapted from Jacinda Ardern - NZ Prime Minister, Labour Leader, Social Reform | Britannica

#### **MULTIPLE - CHOICE:**

#### Circle the letter of the BEST answer.

- 7. State the role Jacinda Ardern had in 2017.
  - A. Member of Parliament
  - B. Advisor to Tony Blair
  - C. Labour Candidate
  - D. Prime Minister
- 8. Identify Jacinda Ardern's date of birth.
  - A. January 1, 1980
  - B. July 26, 1980
  - C. December 31, 1979
  - D. July 4, 1979
- 9. State Jacinda Arden's main focus as a leader.
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  - B. International and Economic Growth
  - C. Social Justice and Equality
  - D. Social and Economic Growth

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Study the persuasive text and answer the questions that follow.

# **Shopkeeper Wanted**

Are you looking for a job? We have an exciting opportunity just for you!

Position: Shopkeeper

Location: Nuku'alofa, Tongatapu Hours: 9-5, Monday to Saturday

# We are looking for someone who is:

- · Friendly and enjoys helping people
- · Good at talking with customers
- Honest and hardworking

# Your main duties will include:

- Helping customers find products
- Keeping the shop clean and organized
- · Working at the cash register
- Restocking items on the shelves

# How to Apply:

Send your application to shopassistant@jobs.com

#### **MULTIPLE - CHOICE:**

#### Circle the letter of the BEST answer.

- 13. This text is an example of an \_\_\_\_\_
  - A. advertisement poster
  - B. application letter
  - C. information poster
  - D. opportunity information
- 14. Give the number of days the shopkeeper is expected to work.
  - A. 3
  - B. 4
  - C. 5
  - D. 6

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- 15. An example of an adjective from the text is \_\_\_\_\_\_
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# Part A: Preposition

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Complete the sentences with t	the correct preposition

- 1. She walked \_\_\_\_\_ the park to get to the library.
- 2. We received a letter \_\_\_\_\_ our friend in Australia.
- 3. He was tired \_\_\_\_\_ a long day of fishing.
- 4. My sister poured water \_\_\_\_ my bottle.

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# Part B: Linking Adverbs

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Fill in the gaps with the appropriate adverb from the box. Each adverb should be used only ONCE.

however, moreover, similarly, namely

- 5. She enjoys playing soccer \_\_\_\_\_\_, her brother likes soccer too.
- 6. The new rule will save the school money \_\_\_\_\_\_\_, it will make the students happier.
- 7. It was raining in the morning, \_\_\_\_\_ the sun came out later.
- 8. Three students got full marks on the test, \_\_\_\_\_\_ Sieli, Kakala and Siaosi.

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### Part C: Question Tags

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Complete these sentences by writing the correct question tag for each sentence.

**Example:** You are not going, \_\_\_\_?

You are not going, are you?

- 9. Salesi did eat all the bananas, \_\_\_\_\_
- 10. Sofia was late this morning,
- 11. We shouldn't talk during class,
- 12. Eating chocolates is bad for your teeth, \_\_\_\_\_

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Part D: Phrasal verbs

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# Part F: Proofreading

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There is ONE (1) mistake in each line. <u>Underline</u> the mistake and write the correct answer in the spaces provided. (There is no mistake in the last line).

Keeping your room Clean is very important. You should	20
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**SECTION THREE:** 

### **INFORMAL WRITING**

(10 SCORES)

Write a narrative composition of 150 words.

Choose **ONLY ONE** (1):

EITHER: Part A Writing Prompts

OR:

Part B Pictorial writing

#### REMEMBER:

- Your writing should be interesting and clear.
- Give your story a title
- Be careful with your spelling and grammar.

# Part A: Writing prompts

Choose only **ONE (1)** 

You may Begin or End your story with the chosen prompt.

1. Dear Diary,

This was the happiest day of my life!

- 2. "Semisi, come down to the office please," I shook with fear as I heard the principal calling my name.
- 3. Dear Aunty,

You must be enjoying your holiday. How are .......

4. I stood there frozen and in shock. I could not believe that .....

# OR

# Part B: Pictorial Writing

Your story must be related to the picture.



# Your story will be scored according to the scoring criteria below.

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Title is appropriate to the story or picture.							
2. Writing is structured with an interesting beginning and ending.							
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4. Lively and original, create interest and a full sense of person.							

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Choose only **ONE (1)** topic and write about 150 words to express your ideas.

You can write:

- i) a Formal speechOR
- ii) an Expository Essay

You may AGREE or DISAGREE with topic.

# **Topics:**

- 1. We should have more time for reading programs in schools.
- 2. A family that prays together is a happy family.
- 3. Everyone in school should join a sport to stay healthy.
- 4. We should eat more of our traditional foods instead of imported food.

# Your essay will be scored according to the scoring criteria below.

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1.	Appropriate introduction.					
2.	Structure is effective and appropriate to the style.					
3.	Language used is varied and competent.					
4.	Convincing argument and very good examples.					
5.	Convincing argument and insightful examples used to develop and sustain a very well reasoned argument.					

Formal Speech OR Expository	y Essay (Circle only ONE (1))
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Part A: Poetry (4 Scores)

Read the poem and answer the questions that follow.

# I'm Feeling Rather Full Tonight

I'm feeling rather full tonight, I couldn't eat another bite. I couldn't eat half a bean, Or even taste a tangerine. I couldn't lick a lettuce leaf Or bite the slightest bit of beef. I couldn't polish off a pea, Or sip a single drop of tea. Or nibble on a nanogram Of pickled ham or candied yam. Or lamb or clam or jam or Spam. Yes, that's how truly full I am. To even think of eating more Would leave me lying on the floor And surely make my stomach hurt Unless, of course, you've got dessert.

#### Kenn Nesbitt

### SHORT ANSWERS:

1. Describe what the persona says will happen if he/she continues eating.


2.	Identify a poetic device used in the poem and provide an example from the	e poem.	
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# **ENGLISH**

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ONE			30
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THREE			10
FOUR			10
FIVE			20
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