

English 99- Final Exam - Form A



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Reading Comprehension (10 points)	Writing (4points)	Vocabulary (8 points)	Grammar (8 points)	Speaking (10 points)	Total (40 points)

Part One: Reading Skills (10 Points)

Read the following text and answer the questions.

When I crossed a small road on my first day in Kolkata, I was surprised because I heard a bell--not a horn. It was a tiny man pulling a rickshaw. He stopped and picked up two children from their house and then, with great strength, pulled them to school. For many people, the rickshaw is a symbol of Kolkata and they have many advantages. When the traffic is bad, rickshaws find a way through it. If you miss your bus and can't find a taxi, you can always find a rickshaw. Rickshaws are also very popular with local shoppers. The driver takes you from your house to the market and waits for you. Then he loads all your purchases, drops you off outside your home, and helps you unload. No other type of public transportation offers this kind of service.

You also see lots more people getting on and off rickshaws during the monsoon season. That's the period from June to September when Kolkata gets heavy rainfall. Sometimes it rains for 48 hours without a break. In the older parts of the city, the roads flood. The water can rise as high as people's waists. When it's that bad, anything with an engine is useless. The rickshaw drivers never stop working, even with water all around them.

Not everyone thinks rickshaws are a good thing, though. Some local officials and politicians want to ban rickshaws on humanitarian grounds. They believe it is wrong for one man to pull another person when there is modern transportation available.

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A- Choose the correct answer:

1. What is a *Rickshaw*?

- a. A two wheeled carriage pulled by horses
- b. A two wheeled carriage pulled by humans
- c. A two wheeled carriage pulled by an engine
- d. A two wheeled carriage pulled by dogs

2. Why do shoppers prefer using *Rickshaws*?

- a. Because they are faster than any other kind of transportation
- b. Because they are very cheap
- c. Because the drivers help them with the shopping
- d. Because the drivers can speak English fluently

3. Based on paragraph one, a *Rickshaws* driver must be

- a. strong and fit
- b. tired
- c. over eighteen
- d. handsome

4. Based on paragraph two, people prefer using *Rickshaws* during the monsoon season because

- a. their engines are very effective during rainy times
- b. it's a dry season and the drivers can walk easily
- c. they have no engines; therefore, they will not be affected by the rain and floods
- d. they can transform into boats

5. Human rights activists criticize using *Rickshaws*

- a. for they believe it is inhumane
- b. because *Rickshaws* cause many accidents and injuries
- c. because *Rickshaws* are not safe for children
- d. because most of the drivers are teenagers

B- Answer by *True* or *False*:

- 1. Rickshaws have many disadvantages. ()
- 2- During the monsoon, Rickshaws are the most useful in the old city. ()
- 3- The monsoon season is a very dry season in India. ()

C- Complete the following sentences from the text:

- 1. Local shoppers prefer
- 2. During the monsoon season, it might rain for

Part Two: Writing (4 Points)

Which form of transportation do you use most often and what do you like or dislike about it?

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Part Three: Vocabulary (8 points)

A- Read the following sentences carefully and then circle the most suitable word that completes the meaning. (4 points)

- 1. In the desert, people depend on camels for for their feet are adapted to walking on the sand.**
 - a. relation
 - b. transportation
 - c. vacation
 - d. communication
- 2. Since the very old times, people have started using different forms of such as carts and carriages.**
 - a. engines
 - b. doors
 - c. pavements
 - d. vehicle
- 3. Although large houses seem to be very beautiful, they are not alwaysto live in.**
 - a. happy
 - b. comfortable
 - c. noisy
 - d. ugly
- 4. Yesterday I my flight to Dubai because I got stuck in a terrible traffic jam. I was really upset.**
 - a. played
 - b. missed
 - c. ran
 - d. wanted

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B- Read the following sentences carefully and then fill in the blanks with the most suitable word that completes the meaning. (4 points)

pedestrians	feels	transportation	pilots	doing
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1. In India and many other Asian countries, people use rickshaws, small carts pulled by humans, as a means of
2. When designing roads and bridges, safety should be taken into consideration.
3. My best friend Salma happy today because the critics liked her article about pollution.
4. I prefer nothing during the weekend. It is my relaxing time.

Part Four: Grammar (8 Points)

Read the following sentences carefully and then circle the most suitable word that completes the meaning:

1. **Despite the fact that private schools are much public schools, many parents prefer them.**
 - a. expensive
 - b. expensive than
 - c. more expensive
 - d. more expensive than
2. **Although elephants are cars, they are not as fast as them.**
 - a. as heavy as
 - b. heavy
 - c. heavier
 - d. heaviest
3. **Every Saturday, my friends and I football in the neighboring park.**
 - a. playing
 - b. played
 - c. play
 - d. plays
4. **It outside now. You must take your umbrella with you.**
 - a. is raining
 - b. rains
 - c. rained
 - d. rain

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5. Khalid enjoys the museum every month.

- a. visit
- b. visits
- c. visited
- d. visiting

6. My mother is very good at..... ; therefore, we all advised her to participate in *Master Chef Jordan*.

- a. cooking
- b. cook
- c. to cook
- d. cooked

7. *Dead Sea Marathon* is the..... running race in Jordan.

- a. larger
- b. largest
- c. most large
- d. more large

8. No one is as as my sweet little daughter. She is a true princess.

- a. beautiful
- b. more beautiful
- c. most beautiful
- d. beauty

Complete the following sentences:

1. My name is

2. I am

3. I live in