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Supervising Examiner's/Invigilator's initial:

English Paper 1  
Language and Writing

Writing Time: 3 Hours  
Total Marks : 80

**READ THE FOLLOWING DIRECTIONS CAREFULLY:**

1. Do **not** write for the first **fifteen minutes**. This time is to be spent reading the questions. After having read the questions, you will be given **three hours** to answer all questions.
2. The **first five digits** have already been printed. Write the remaining seven digits of your **index number** in the space provided on the **top right hand corner of this cover page only**.
3. This paper comprises of **TWO SECTIONS**, Section **A** for **WRITING** and **B** for **LANGUAGE**. There are **four** questions. You must attempt **all**. You are advised to spend **not more than** 1 hour in answering Question I and 30 minutes in answering Question II.
4. You are **not** allowed to write the name of your **school** and your **name** in the composition and letter writing, unless specified.
5. Read the directions to each question carefully and write **all** your answers in the space provided in the **question booklet** itself.
6. Remember to write **quickly** but **neatly**.
7. **Do not** remove or tear off any pages from the booklet.
8. **Do not** draw lines or pictures **on** or **in** the booklet to beautify it.
9. **Do not** leave the examination hall before you have made sure that you have answered all the questions.

**For Chief Marker's and Markers' Use Only**

Question I	Subparts	Weighting	M 1	M 2	Total	Average	Grand total
25 marks	Thought & Organization	13					
	Expression, Mechanics & Style	12					

Question	I	II	III	IV	Total	Chief Marker's Signature↓
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## Section A

### Question -I

*Write an expository essay of 350-400 words on any ONE of the topics given below. You will be rewarded for orderly and coherent presentation of materials, use of appropriate features and general accuracy of spellings, punctuation and grammar.*

[25]

- (a) Explain the importance of exercising the right to vote in a democracy. Write this essay with reference to the Bhutanese context.
- (b) What is spirituality? Explain its importance in a world that is thirsting for materialistic gains.
- (c) Some films and books have a great impact on our lives. Write about any such book or film.
- (d) Explain the importance of music to the youth and write how it influences them.

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## Question II

***You are Karma from Khorlo Middle Secondary School, Paro. Write a letter dealing with any ONE of the situations given below.***

[15]

- (a) Your winter vacation will soon be starting. Write a letter to the Managing Director, Tshering Construction, Phuntsholing, seeking a temporary job. (Be specific about your qualification and work experience and the tenure you would be able to work).
- (b) You are the co-ordinator of the Annual School Rimdro Committee. Your school is organizing The Annual Rimdro on 13<sup>th</sup> March. Write a letter of invitation to the Gup of Khorlo village in Paro.
- (c) You are the Class Captain of X-D and you have to purchase a few items for your class. Write a letter to the manager of Kado General Store in Paro, asking for the supply of items you need.

[illegible]







**Section B**  
**(Nature of Language)**

**Question III**

1. *For each of the following, there are four choices. Choose the best answer and write it in the space provided.*

[1x3]

- (i) Communication happens when the
- A encoder sends, decodes and understands the message of the decoder.
  - B decoder sends, encodes and understands the message of the encoder.
  - C encoder receives, encodes and understands the message of the decoder.
  - D decoder receives, decodes and understands the message of the encoder.

Answer \_\_\_\_\_

- (ii) “Human language can be used to refer to any dimension of space and time.”  
Which feature of the human language does this statement explain?
- A duality
  - B discreteness
  - C displacement
  - D open-endedness

Answer \_\_\_\_\_

- (iii) Which school of thought believes that language is learned through constant reinforcement and the child is born with an empty state?
- A Naturalist
  - B Rationalist
  - C Behaviorist
  - D Perfectionist

Answer \_\_\_\_\_

2. *Answer the following questions.*

- (i) How does imitation of sounds help in the origination of new words?  
Give **one** example.

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- (ii) Rationalists believe that “the linguistic ability is inherent in the mind of the child.  
All that the child does is discover and test.”  
How far do you agree with the Rationalist Theory of language acquisition?

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(Grammar/Structures)

Question IV

1. *For each of the questions, there are four choices. Choose the best answer and write it in the space provided.*

[1x10]

- (i) I \_\_\_\_\_ to play football in my youth.

- A use
- B used
- C am used
- D was used

Answer \_\_\_\_\_

- (ii) To avoid being punished, I ran fast and \_\_\_\_\_ reach school in time.

- A must
- B could
- C should
- D would

Answer \_\_\_\_\_

(iii) \_\_\_\_\_ you like another cup of tea?

- A Shall
- B Could
- C Should
- D Would

Answer \_\_\_\_\_

(iv) I \_\_\_\_\_ read English fluently by the time I was six years old.

- A can
- B could
- C should
- D would

Answer \_\_\_\_\_

(v) He \_\_\_\_\_ Pema that he would go abroad by the year 2010.

- A said
- B told
- C told to
- D said to

Answer \_\_\_\_\_

(vi) \_\_\_\_\_ they change the team they are going to loose the next match.

- A Even
- B Unless
- C Whether
- D Although

Answer \_\_\_\_\_

(vii) If he works hard, he \_\_\_\_\_ qualify for college.

- A will
- B could
- C should
- D would

Answer \_\_\_\_\_

(viii) Dorji was constantly \_\_\_\_\_ by his friends to refrain from abusing drugs.

- A advice
- B advise
- C advised
- D adviced

Answer \_\_\_\_\_

(ix) They wandered about \_\_\_\_\_ search of good materials.

- A in
- B on
- C for
- D with

Answer \_\_\_\_\_

(x) Success is not merely \_\_\_\_\_ applause.

- A win
- B won
- C winner
- D winning

Answer \_\_\_\_\_

2. *Rewrite the following sentences using the instructions given in brackets and without changing their meanings.*

- (i) The teacher will give us a project work.  
[Begin: A project work]

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- (ii) Bhutan is one of the green countries.  
[Begin: Very few]

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- (iii) She said, "What time are you all leaving?"  
[Change into Indirect Speech]

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- (iv) He exclaimed he didn't believe that.  
[Change into Direct Speech]

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- (v) It is extremely foolish to waste time reading comics.  
[End: foolish]

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- (vi) In its entire history, Gandhi is the greatest leader India has ever produced.  
[Use: greater than]

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- (vii) He returned to the lovely island. He had lived there in the early 60s.  
[Join the sentences using a conjunction]

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- (viii) We will complete class X by the year 2008.  
[Write in present continuous form]

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- (ix) Bribing a public servant is an offense.  
[Start with infinitive]

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- (x) The office is already closed for the day so I will deliver the letter tomorrow.  
[Use: since]

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3. *Fill each blank with appropriate use of the words given in brackets.* [1x5]

I am now an old coin, and have been in \_\_\_\_\_ (circulate) for many years. I have become worn and the \_\_\_\_\_ (write) on my back has faded. But I can still remember my early \_\_\_\_\_ (young). I was shining silver then and the lettering \_\_\_\_\_ (be) beautiful. I was very proud of my smart \_\_\_\_\_ (appear).

