

English Department

Grade: 9<sup>th</sup>

Section: A , B , C

First English Exam

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Q1) Read the following text then answer the questions:

( 12 marks )

The Egyptians developed writing about 6,000 years ago. Scribes were among the few people who could read and write. They decorated their temples with hieroglyphics, which Egyptians called 'the words of God'. The Egyptians developed hieroglyphic writing at the same time as Sumerian writing was developed on soft clay. However, the Egyptians didn't write on clay; they wrote on papyrus, wood and rock walls. The Egyptians were the first to use writing in everyday life. That is how they found that hieroglyphics were great for decorating temple walls, but not very useful in daily business. For these more common activities, people used a simpler script, called 'hieratic'. Hieroglyphic writing used symbols or pictures to represent objects. People wrote hieroglyphics in rows or columns. In the case of rows, you can read them from left to right or from right to left .

1. Are the following sentences True ( ) or False ( ) ?

(.....) a. The Egyptians developed writing about 6,000 years ago.

(.....) b. Scribes decorated their temples with clay.

(.....) c. People wrote hieroglyphics only in rows.

2. The underlined word ( They ) in line (2) refers to:

3. The underlined word ( They ) in line (6) refers to:

4. Find a verb that has the meaning of "invented".

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**Q2) Complete the following sentences using the following words:**

{ portable , primitive , communicate , collapsed , clay }

( 10 marks )

1. Bricks made out of ..... have a lovely red colour.
2. I can carry my ..... radio with me everywhere.
3. The Romans organised Europe's first postal service, but after the Roman Empire ..... the service stopped.
4. As written language develops, people realise they can ..... with other people further away.
5. .... means relating to the earliest times in history.

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**Q3) Put the following words in the correct order:**

( 4 marks )

1. we paint this wall purple, If / will match / it / furniture.
2. you book your flight / if /early, / will often save money / you

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**Q4) Correct the verbs between brackets:**

( 6 marks )

1. If he ..... a letter to his friend, it will take time to get to him.  
( write )
2. If she ..... hard, she will get into university. ( study )
3. If the weather ..... tomorrow, I will go to the museum. ( be )

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**Q5) Match the words with their definition.**

( 8 marks )

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| 1. Efficient   | A. A person or an animal's shape.             |
| 2. Communicate | B. Used in a well-organised way.              |
| 3. Temple      | C. To exchange information with other people. |
| 4. Figure      | D. A place of worship in Ancient Egypt.       |

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