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ENGLISH LANGUAGE 1

Instructions for the conduct of Section A. (Listening Comprehension Test - 5 marks)

These instructions are for the use of the Teacher ONLY and must not be shown to the candidates.

The question paper for the Listening Comprehension test should be distributed to the candidates. Candidates should be instructed to enter the details required on the front cover of the question booklet. They should then be told to fill in the information required on the answer sheet. Ensure that candidates do NOT open the question paper until they are told to do so after the first reading of the Listening Comprehension passage (see below).

The complete test should take 25 minutes. The timing commences at the beginning of the first reading of the passage. The short time allowed to candidates for reading the questions should be two minutes.

If the teacher considers it desirable to give an extra reading of any group of words because of some noise from outside or for any other good cause, this can be done. If this is found necessary, the cause must be reported to the Board on the Special Report Form.

The procedure for giving the Listening Comprehension test is explained in the following announcement which the teacher should read to the candidates immediately before the test:

I shall read a passage to you once. You are not allowed to write anything during this first reading. Do not look at your question paper. (First reading)

The timing of the test (25 minutes) commences at this point. The teacher should read the passage through at normal reading speed, avoiding any distortion of features of spoken language. The teacher then announces:

Now open your question paper. I shall give you two minutes to look at the questions on the paper. They are grouped into three sections. Do not write anything.

The teacher allows an interval of two minutes and then announces:

I shall now read the passage through again but this time in three sections. When I have finished reading the first section you will be given two minutes in which to provide answers to the first section of the questions. Your answers must be given as instructed in the booklet. This procedure will then be repeated for the other sections. You may still look at the questions and you may make notes on the blank spaces in the booklet, if you wish, as I read. First section.

The teacher should read each section aloud, pausing at each slant line. A two-minute interval should be respected after each section. Two minutes after reading the third section the teacher should make the following announcement: **Now do your final revision and go to the next section.**

Turn Over

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LISTENING COMPREHENSION SECTION 1

Dear friends,/ today I am going to talk to you about disease prevention and staying healthy./"Hand washing is the single most important thing/ that you can do to help prevent the spread of infection/ and to stay healthy and well."/ As many as 80 percent of infections/ are said to be passed on by unclean hands,/ so wash them throughout the day./ Do so especially before eating,/ preparing food,/ dressing,/ touching a wound,/ and after touching an animal,/ using the toilet/ or changing a baby's diaper./

Washing with soap and water is more effective/ than using alcohol based hand sanitizers./ Children stay healthier when parents train them/ to wash and keep their hands away from their mouths and eyes./ Bathing every day/ and keeping your clothes and bed linen fresh and clean/ also contribute to better health./

SECTION 2

Avoid close physical contact/ or the sharing of eating utensils with anyone who has a cold or flu./ Their saliva and nasal secretions/ can pass the illness onto you./ Blood borne diseases as hepatitis B and C/ and HIV/AIDS/ are transmitted primarily through sexual contact,/ intravenous drug use/ and blood transfusion./ Although vaccination can help to prevent some infections,/ a wise person must still take necessary precautions/ when someone has an infectious disease./ Do not sleep or sit outdoors unprotected/ when mosquitoes or other disease-carrying insects are active./

SECTION 3

Make whatever extra effort is needed to keep your home tidy and clean/ inside and outside./ Eliminate any place where water can collect/ and mosquitoes can breed./ Litter,/ filth,/ uncovered foods and garbage/ attract insects and vermin,/ all of which can bring in microbes and cause diseases./ If there is no toilet,/ build a simple latrine/ rather than just relieving yourself in a field./ Cover the latrine to keep out flies,/ which transmit eye infection and other diseases./ So my dear friends,/ if we respect all these rules,/ we will stay healthy./