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Supervising Examiner's/Invigilator's initial:

**Language and Writing  
English Paper 1**

**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.

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Question I	Subparts	Weighting	M 1	M 2	Total	Average	Grand total
25 marks	<i>Thought &amp; Organization</i>	13					
	<i>Expression, Mechanics &amp; Style</i>	12					

Question	I	II	III	IV	Total	Chief Marker's Signature ↓
<b>Award</b>						
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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 democracy with reference to the changing political scenario in Bhutan.
- (b) Describe your favorite game and explain how it is played.
- (c) What is Gross National Happiness?
- (d) What is love?

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### Question II

*You are Tashi, studying in Jakar Higher Secondary School, Bumthang. Write a letter on any ONE of the following situations.*

[15]

- (a) You are a class XI Commerce student but you wish to change your stream from Commerce to Arts. Write a letter to the Principal of your school requesting for the change and express your reasons.
- (b) As the School Captain, you are responsible for organizing the celebration of Teachers Day. Write a letter to Karma Grocery Shop placing an order of the items required. Mention the date for supply and the mode of payment.
- (c) You are the Games Captain of your school. Write a letter to the captains of Sonam-Kuenphen Higher Secondary School, Bumtang, inviting them as guests to the Annual Sports Day of your school.

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**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) The basic unit of language is
- A forms.
  - B words.
  - C sounds.
  - D meanings.

Answer \_\_\_\_\_

- (ii) Human language is considered as an arbitrary phenomenon because there is
- A a natural connection between a word and its meaning.
  - B a logical connection between a word and its meaning.
  - C a strong connection between a word and its meaning.
  - D no connection between a word and its meaning.

Answer \_\_\_\_\_

- (iii) The three fundamental levels of all human languages are
- A sounds, forms and words.
  - B sounds, forms and figures.
  - C sounds, forms and meanings.
  - D sounds, forms and structures.

Answer \_\_\_\_\_

2. *Answer the following questions.*

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- (i) "Language cannot be transmitted genetically." Justify the statement.

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(ii) Which theory do you support-the Behaviorist Theory or the Rationalist Theory? (4)  
Why?

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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) The government is calling \_\_\_\_\_ all able-bodied young men to sign up for the armed services.

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

Answer \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) English is \_\_\_\_\_ language of \_\_\_\_\_ people of England.

- A a, the
- B an, the
- C the, all
- D the, the

Answer \_\_\_\_\_

(iii) In the olden days, workers \_\_\_\_\_ their employers with great formality.

- A treat
- B treated
- C has treated
- D have treated

Answer \_\_\_\_\_

(iv) Yesterday \_\_\_\_\_ European called my office for the first time.

- A a
- B an
- C the
- D some

Answer \_\_\_\_\_

(v) There is no exception \_\_\_\_\_ this rule.

- A to
- B for
- C too
- D from

Answer \_\_\_\_\_

(vi) We hurried back \_\_\_\_\_ a storm was brewing.

- A as
- B where
- C due to
- D because of

Answer \_\_\_\_\_

(vii) Many aspire \_\_\_\_\_ greatness, but few attain it.

- A to
- B of
- C off
- D for

Answer \_\_\_\_\_

(viii) We shall stay three months \_\_\_\_\_ India.

- A at
- B in
- C with
- D inside

Answer \_\_\_\_\_

(ix) He must have passed this way, \_\_\_\_\_ there is no other road.

- A as
- B so
- C but
- D and

Answer \_\_\_\_\_

- (x) He \_\_\_\_\_ out five minutes ago.
- A will go
  - B shall go
  - C had gone
  - D would go

Answer \_\_\_\_\_

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

[1x10]

- (i) They got a letter of complaint. Their kitchen was dirty.  
[Begin: Since]

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- (ii) As soon as the police arrived the thief ran away.  
[Begin: No sooner]

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- (iii) I daren't even touch those ornaments since they are fragile.  
[Begin: As those]

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(iv) Tashi was so weak that he could not run.  
[Use: 'too']

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(v) Smoking is harmful. It should be avoided.  
[Join the sentences using a conjunction]

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(vi) "I don't believe it!" he exclaimed.  
[Change the sentence to indirect speech]

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(vii) She was protective of her father. He had delicate health.  
[Begin: Because]

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(viii) As soon as the bell rang, the teacher left the class.  
[Begin: Hardly]

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(ix) He is greater than I.  
[Change the sentence into a negative sentence]

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(x) He was a villain to commit such a deed.  
[End the sentence with a question mark]

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3. *Fill each blank with the most suitable word to complete the following text.* [1x5]

A tale of love and loss, the \_\_\_\_\_ has sold more than six million copies. This \_\_\_\_\_ not at all surprising, for the story, set \_\_\_\_\_ India, mesmerizes with its storyline and the power \_\_\_\_\_ its innovative prose. The reader is likely \_\_\_\_\_ find himself emotionally drained by the time he reaches the end of the story.

*A Review of 'The God of Small Things' by Arundathi Roy.*



4. *Edit the following sentences and rewrite them correctly.*

(i) Who shall I address the letter?

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(ii) Will you pass me the scissor please?

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(iii) I am more at ease with the British than the Australian assent.

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(iv) We can either give you a refund and you can choose another jacket.

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(v) Made sure no one tries to enter or leave this building.

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