# MINISTRY OF EDUCATION SULTANATE OF OMAN



## GRADE TEN — GENERAL EDUCATION ENGLISH PAPER for ABSENTEES SEMESTER TWO

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TIME	: 24	hours

TOTAL MARKS: 60

PAGES: 6

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	ey live in now is very	0 D-75	
A. small	B. old	-	C. expensive
2. The price of t	he house in the advert is _	rials.	
A. 18,000	B. 80,0	00	C. 180,000
	esn't want to buy the house ns with money B. its lo		C. its size
4. At the end, t	hey decide to		
A. buy the	e house B. go to	the bank	C. look at the house
LISTENING 2 You will hear so	(Items 5 – 8) meone talking about a mag	gazine. Listen and	d complete the table.
Started:	(5) (year)	Number of readers (now):	(7)
What kind of magazine?	(6)	Plan for next year:	(8) language edition.
choose ONE of the co	ree people speaking. Whathe items in the box. Write students. Who can tell me rrect answer to number fit	A, B, C, etc, as in	
9. (1)	_	A	using the Internet
<b>10.</b> (2)	<del></del>	В	buying a present
44 (2)		С	reading a book
<b>11.</b> (3)		D	buying some food
		E	watching TV
		F	teaching a class
		G	going to the cinema
	Write your answers	on your answer p	aper.
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VOCABULARY 1 ()	Items 1	_	5)
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Complete the text. Use  $\underline{\text{five}}$  of the words in the box. Write ONE word in each space. (There are three extra words in the box.)

	busine	SS	city	cultu	re go	vernmen	t
	pol	lution	populati	on	taxi	view	
Buda	apest is a (1)		in Central E	urope. It l	nas a <b>(2)</b> _		
of o	ver two million ped	ple, so it	needs to ha	ave a good	transport s	ystem.	
The	(3)	does not	want peop	le to use pr	ivate cars b	ecause t	hey
caus	se air <b>(4)</b>	S	o they have	developed	a public tra	nsport s	ystem
	ch is one of the be						
	n and (5)					•	
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	CABULARY 2 (It			ect ontion:	A R C or I	,	
Con							
6.	She received a _		for he	elping the p	oolice find th	ne stolen	jewels.
	A. stamp	В.	reward	C.	problem	D.	magazine
7.	He is one of our	pest playe	ers. He		three goa	als in the	last game.
	A. scored				started		
8.	Doctors have fail	ed to find	the	of t	his disease.	so it is v	verv dangerous.
	A. empire		need		surface		cause
9.	"My boss asked r	ne to		all the pa	pers and pu	ıt them i	n files."
	A. invent				cover		capture
10.	"Tourists can visi	t the nati	onal	1	o see these	ancient	obiects."
	A nyramid						

Write your answers on your answer paper.

						rd in the space ure you spell th			
Exa	mple	e: <u>kitche</u>	en			ere food is prep e fridge in the			
11			(verb) to cause pain or injury e.g. The boy fell down the stairs and <b>hu</b> his arm.						
12.	-			ive) not inter The film was v		I fell as	leep	before the end	
13.	·					ople are buried nd the <b>t</b>		f a famous sold	lier
14.	·			to rise; to go ne price of bre		ncrnex	t yea	r.	
15.			(noun) a wet, sticky mixture of earth and water e.g. <i>The ground was full of</i> <b>m</b> after the rain.						
Con	nple		e. For ed		oose the	correct option: I	<b>A</b> , <b>B</b> ,	<b>C</b> or <b>D</b> .	
		A: Can I help	ž. 22						
		B: Yes, I				-			
Spe	akei	a double r		( <b>2</b> ) an	iy single	rooms available	, but	(3)	
Cno	akor			ما عماط النب	- 2				
		<ul><li>B: OK. How _</li><li>A: Fifty rials,</li></ul>			3 f				
		2		er (-	can I	pay tomorrow?			
			to pay i	ow,(5)_	can i	pay tomorrow:			
1.	A.	like	В.	like to	C.	would like to	D.	would like	
2.	Α.	don't have	В.	not have	C.	doesn't have	D.	not having	
3.	Α.	there are	В.	they are	C.	it is	D.	there is	
4.	Α.	much	В.	a lot	C.	many	D.	few	
5.	Α.	and	В.	so	C.	but	D.	or	

Write your answers on your answer paper.

GRAMMAR 2 (Items 6 – 10) Complete each sentence. Write ONE WORD only.						
6. Excuse me, far is the post office from here?						
7. His new car is bigger and faster the old one.						
8. The boys went to the river catch some fish.						
9. When we arrived at the beach, it already raining.						
10. Alia's only 15 years old. She's young to drive.						
GRAMMAR 3 (Items 11 – 15)  Look at the sentences. If the sentence is correct, put a tick ( ✓).  If the sentence is not correct, write it correctly.  Do not change the meaning of the sentence.  Examples: Ahmed is a nice man.						
Salma are a nice woman. Salma is a nice woman.						
Sainta are a file woman. <u>Sainta is a file woman.</u>						
11. Where do he play?						
12. These cars are make in Germany.						
13. Ahmed works at the airport.						
14. She go to Bahrain last year.						
15. Her father is a doctor.						

## READING 1 [Items 1 - 4]

Read the text, and then complete the task on page 5.

The Hassan Mosque in Casablanca is the largest mosque in Morocco and in Africa. It was designed by a French architect called Michel Pinaeau. However, it was built by Moroccan architects, craftsmen and workers. Work on the building started in July 1986 and it was officially opened by King Hassan the Second in August 1993.

This huge mosque has space for up to 105,000 people, which makes it the third largest mosque in the world. It has only one minaret, which is the world's tallest at 210 metres. The minaret has a laser light pointing towards Mecca. This light can be seen for miles around both day and night.

The Hassan Mosque has an excellent location, with a wonderful view over the Atlantic Ocean. It has a number of modern features, for example, a gigantic glass floor, on which 25,000 people can say their prayers. The mosque was also built strong enough not to be damaged by earthquakes. It also has a heated floor, electric doors and a sliding roof that can be opened or closed in a few minutes if there is bad weather.

READING 1 (cont'd)	EADING 1 (c	ont'd)	
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For each question, write a short answer (**not more than THREE WORDS**).

What was the nationality of the architect who designed the mosque?

2. How long did it take to build the mosque? years

**3.** How tall is the minaret?

4. What is the floor made of?

## READING 2 (Items 5 - 10)

Read the following two texts. Then, for each item, choose the correct option: A, B or C.

#### Text 1

Hi Annie!

Hope everything is going well with you. Sorry for not writing earlier. We moved to Indonesia last month. As you know, my father is a scientist and now he's got a job here. He's doing research on different types of spiders.

We're staying on a small island 1,500 km east of the capital city, Jakarta. Life here is totally different from in England, as we're living in a wooden hut with no electricity and no telephone. I spend my mornings with my father helping him with his research.

By the way, I've met a new friend here. Her name is Tusi, and she's from Japan. Her father is a scientist, too. He's interested in studying volcanoes. They live next to our hut. I didn't like her at first, but after a while we became good friends. Now we spend most of our evenings together, collecting shells and playing table tennis.

Why don't you come and visit me next month? Hope to hear from you soon. Philip

Philip is now living in \_\_\_\_\_

A. England

B. Japan

C. Indonesia

His father is interested in \_\_\_\_\_

A. volcanoes

B. spiders

C. shells

Philip spends his evenings \_\_\_

A. playing with a friend B. helping his father C. studying for his exams

## Text 2

Hi Philip,

It was really nice to hear from you again. It's good to know that you're enjoying yourself in Indonesia. I'm busy studying for my final exams, which will start next month. By the way, our Maths teacher told us that Mr Jenkins had a car accident two weeks and was badly injured. But he's much better now and he'll be back at school soon.

The weather is very cold here as usual. Lucky you, enjoying the warm weather on your Indonesian island! I'm glad to hear that you're working with your father on his research. I know it's what you always wanted, and it will help you with your future studies as a scientist.

By the way, the topic for my final geography presentation is "Spiders in the East". I've started by collecting some pictures, but I still don't have enough material. Can you send me some information about spiders in Indonesia?

I would love to visit you, but only after finishing my exams!

Hope to hear from you soon. Take care. Bye for now. Annie

8.	Annie	e is busy			
	A.	travelling	В.	studying	

C. doing exams

9.	Philip	is	interested	in	

Α.	science		В.	geography

C. maths

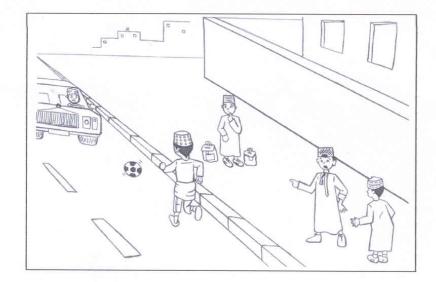
10.	Annie	wants	Philip	to	send	her	some	

A.	information	about	spiders
Μ.	mormation	about	spiders

C. spiders

## **WRITING 1**

Describe and comment on the picture below. Write 20 - 30 words.



#### **WRITING 2**

Write at least 75 words about the following topic:

'It is important to be friendly with our neighbours.'

(Do you agree or not? Give your reasons)

Your writing should be clear, well-organised and interesting.

Write your answers on your answer paper.