

**THE OPEN COMPETITIVE EXAM FOR SELECTING AS PEOPLES BANK
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English Language

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Answer all questions

1. Fill in each blank with a suitable word from those given in the list below.

Weeks	name	directly	family	old	employee
Read	them	touched	request	each	gave
Mother	raising	collect	please		

A young child sent a letter to the post office, addressed to God. A postal (1) not knowing exactly what to do with it, (2) it to the local Rotary club. It read, "Dear God, my (3)....., is Ramesh. I am six years (4) My father is dead and my (5)..... me is having a time (6) and my sister. Would you (7) send us Rs. 5 000?"

The Rotarians were (8) and decided to pitch in a few rupees (9) and send whatever they collected to the (10) They were able to (11)..... Rs. 3 000. A couple of (12) later, a second letter from Ramesh was turned over to (13)..... The boy thanked God but ended the latter with this (14) "Next time. would you please deliver the money (15)..... to our home? if you send it to the Rotary club, they deduct Rs. 2000."

2. Of the options given below each sentence in bold print, underline the one that best expresses its meaning.

1. We couldn't have cooked lunch if there had been a power cut.

- (a) There is a power cut but we were able to cook lunch.
- (b) There was a power cut so we couldn't cook lunch.
- (c) There was no power cut so we were able to cook lunch.
- (d) Although there was no power cut we couldn't cook lunch.

2. My aunt has been to Australia

- (a) My aunt is in Australia now.
- (b) My aunt will be going to Australia soon.
- (C) My aunt wants to go to Australia.
- (d) My aunt is not in Australia now.

3. Raghu had his house painted

- (a) Raghu wanted to paint his house.
- (6) Raghu got someone to paint the house.
- (c) Raghu painted the house himself.
- (d) Raghu and his servant painted the house.

4. Gamini is not as clever as his brother Vipul.

- (a) Gamini is cleverer than vipul.
- (b) Vipul is cleverer than Gamini.
- (c) Both Gamini and Vipul are equally clever.
- (d) Both Gamini and Vipula are not clever

5. We enjoyed the picnic despite the weather

- (a) We enjoyed the picnic although the weather was bad.
- (b) We enjoyed the picnic because the weather was bad.
- (c) We enjoyed the picnic because the weather was fine.
- (d) Both the picnic and the weather were enjoyable.

3. Write a summary of the following text. You may use any number of sentences but do not use more than forty (40) words. Write only one word in each cage.

A middle aged man with a foolish expression on his face, was accused of breaking into a house and stealing a cheap watch. The witness who was called did not give a very clear account of what had happened. He claimed to have seen a man outside the house one night, but on being questioned further, he confessed that he was not sure whether this was the man. The judge considered the matter for a short time and then declared that as there was no real proof, the man could not be found guilty of any crime. He said that the case was dismissed and then rose to go, Meanwhile, the accused looked very puzzled. It was clear that he had not understood a thing, Noticing this, the judge paused for a moment and then the man said suddenly, "Excuse me sir, but do I have to give the watch back or not?"

Write a summary of the following text. You may use any number of sentences but do not use more than thirty (30) words. Write only one word in each cage.

The young man heard a cry and turned round but he could not see any body. At the same moment, a boy ran up to him and pointed towards the river. They both ran along the river bank and after a short time, they saw a girl in the water. The girl was holding on to a piece of wood, but the river was deep and it was carrying her away. The man acted quickly. He took off his coat at once, jumped into the water and saved the girl's life.

4. Write down the main idea of the following paragraphs in one sentence each, using your own words. No marks will be given if you use more than one sentence. Use between ten and twenty words for each summarized sentence.

1. Five students, including the driver, were injured in an accident. Their vehicle ran off the road and hit against a parapet wall at Wadduwa. It was a school van proceeding to Colombo. It was taking students to some schools there.

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2. Prometheus taught men the uses of fire . He showed them how to melt bronze and Iron to make better weapons . He showed them how to cook meat and bake bread. Now they could keep themselves warm in winter.

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3. Two weeks before the prize giving the class teacher addressed the class. “Our prize giving is very close now. All the children must come dressed well in clean cloths. Specially Nimal and Sunil must come dressed well. These two are getting prizes.

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4. Antibiotics remain our most effective weapon against disease-causing bacteria. Antibiotics have the power to save lives and prevent illness. But when they are overused or misused, these drugs make a person more vulnerable to attack by a superbug.

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5. Tea researchers have found that tea can have a powerful effect on levels of cholesterol in the blood stream. The level of cholesterol is considered an important factor in the development of heart disease and heart attack risk. – A 2002 US study showed that tea can lower bad cholesterol levels considerably.

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5. Underline the correct word ending selecting from those given in brackets.

1. He hardly did any prepa..... (re, ratory, ration) for his examination,
2. My mother is an economi (c,cal,cally) housekeeper.
3. Vinodini is an enthusias (tic, t, tically) teacher.
4. All ministers get an entertain (ing, ment, er)
5. Although he seems to have everything anyone could possibly want, he is still discontent (ed, edly, ment)

6. Read the following passage and match the words marked in bold with their meanings by writing the correct letter in the box provided.

The women had been sent to the Himalayan village by the Government, but she did not act like an official. She humbly asked permission to **(1) address** the village elders. "I've come to help your children" she said "Or to take away from us," the mothers whispered, and hid their **(2) offspring**

The elders were **(3) suspicious** too, but let her have a hut, the most **(4) dilapidated** in the village. That was how to get rid of an unwanted gust. Leela carried her own water from the **(5) distant** well, and **(6) gathered** wood for the cooking. The village watched. At first, making her hut **(7) habitable** and doing basic **(8) chores** took all her time. But she was going to stay.

The children **(9) gradually** came out of hiding. Leela made sweets and delicacies, but only one or two **(10) succumbed** to the temptation. The Black Witch, the villagers called her- her skin was darker than theirs. "If the Black Witch catches you," the mothers warned their children "she will turn you into a wolf."

- (a) collected
- (b) little by little
- (c) household work
- (d) speak to
- (e) children
- (f) gave in, yielded
- (g) not trusting
- (h) falling to pieces, broken and old
- (i) far away
- (j) which can be lived in

7. In each of the following sentences , underline the most appropriate word from those given in brackets to fill in the blanks.

1. Namal (showed, made, gave) it very plain that he wanted us to leave.
2. Did the fire..... (do, made, cause) much damage to the factory?
3. She was (strongly, severely, bitterly) disappointed when she failed the exam.
4. He..... (got, seemed, became) depressed after his wife's death.
5. Prof. Smith (deeply, strongly, severely) committed to his job.
6. The committee unanimously(agreed, approved, accepted) the plan
7. The directors were unwilling to..... (answer, respond, express) to questions
8. Some critics (quarrel, fight, argue) that Picasso remained a great master all his life.

9. Guna caught a (glimpse, glance, sight) of himself in the mirror.
10. Chest pain can be a(serious, warning, severe) signal of heart problems.

8. Read the following memorandam which Miss. Leela Karunadasa, working at Richmond Hotel, received from Mr. Ravi Shanmuganathan. Answer the questions that follow in complete sentences.

Memorandum

Date : February 1st 2004

Subject : K.G. Products, Order 256

From : Manager

To : Purchasing Supervisor

We have just received this order. Unfortunately we ordered 1000 bottles of orange juice but they have sent us 1000 bottles of tomato sauce. We need the juice for a wedding party in two weeks.

Please write to K.G. Products and ask them to deliver the juice we ordered as soon as possible. They can collect the tomato sauce at the same time. Their address is 136, Colombo Road, Kolonnawa.

(1) Who is the Manager of the Richmond Hotel?

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(2) What is Miss. Karunadasa?

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(3) What had the Richmond Hotel ordered?

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(4) Why did they need this?

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(5) What will happen to the tomato sauce?

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