## <u>PORTION FOR ENGLISH LANGUAGE – YEAR 6</u> FIRST TERM EXAMINATION -JANUARY 2023

TIME: 2 hours Total:60 Marks

### **SECTION A: READING**

**(30 MARKS)** 

Comprehension questions will be set on extracts from <u>unseen</u> fiction and non-fiction texts:

- Short Story
- Information Text
- Playscript
- Factual Recount
- Newspaper Article

#### It tests:

- Reading comprehension skills for a fiction and a non-fiction text
- Writer's use of language (words, phrases)and variety of punctuation to create specific effects
- Differentiation between fact and opinion
- Summarizing main ideas
- Sequencing events, incidents
- Descriptive language in a narrative/non-fiction text
- Exploring characters, settings, narrator's view point
- Exploring description of settings, characters, mood, feelings and atmosphere
- Identifying audience/purpose of writing
- Identifying and explaining language and presentational features of the given text
- Identifying themes

## **SECTION B: WRITING**

**(30 MARKS)** 

## **GRAMMAR**

#### It tests:

- Language skills in grammar, spelling, vocabulary and punctuation
  - o verbs : tense( present tense/ past tense)
  - o time adverbials

- Prefixes
- Suffixes
- Apostrophes
- Homophones
- Synonyms
- Modal verbs
- Word class challenge/ parts of speech
- o Formal and Informal language
- Use commas to clarify meaning or avoid ambiguity in writing
- o Relative pronouns and relative clauses
- Contractions

g. range of punctuation marks - full stop, question mark, exclamation mark, parenthesis, inverted commas, dashes and brackets g. independent and dependent clauses (main clause and subordinate clause)

### WRITING TASK

Students have to attempt **one writing task.** The writing task may require:

a. adaptation of style and form of different non-fiction text types according to purpose and audience.

Some forms of non-fiction texts for writing are:

Writing a report (non -chronological report/information report)

Writing a recount

Writing diary entries

Writing an informal letter

Writing a newspaper article

- b. writing a short story / writing a new scene with an effective opening, complication, resolution and ending, incorporating speech, action and description to sustain the interest of the reader.
- c. recounting experiences.
- d. describing settings/characters/atmosphere and integrating dialogues
- e. selecting appropriate grammar and vocabulary, understanding how such choices can change and enhance meaning

# \*\* Writing Tasks are marked for:

- range of relevant ideas; descriptive/informative details; suitability of form to purpose and audience; range of vocabulary
- appropriate structural and organisational features; connectives; paragraphing; variety of sentences;
- punctuation; grammatical accuracy; accurate spelling;
- neat, legible handwriting.

Revise all the units/topics taught, discussion notes, the work in your notebooks and on GC; worksheets and assessments.