مدرسة القديسة مريم الكاثوليكية الثانوية - دبى



ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL, DUBAI

ENTRANCE EXAMINATION 2024

PORTION FOR YEAR 5 ENTRANCE TEST - May 2024

Subject: ENGLISH

<u>Reading</u>

Comprehension : Questions on extracts from fiction and non-fiction texts will be given to assess comprehension and understanding of ideas, events, situations, characters, vocabulary, grammar, punctuation.

Questions will focus on:

- Identifying and explaining main ideas, information, events, situations
- Summarising ideas using own words
- Deducing and inferring information, ideas, character's feelings, thoughts, reasons for actions with examples from the texts.
- Justifying inferences with examples from the given texts.
- Expressing opinions and preferences about characters ,situations, events with evidence from the texts.
- Predicting what might happen from details in the texts read.
- Awareness of synonyms, homophones.
- Explaining the meaning of words from context.
- Awareness of grammar and usage nouns, pronouns, verbs, adverbs, prepositions, conjunctions, adjectives. Present tense, past tense, future tense. Active and passive voice. Direct and reported (indirect) speech.
- Types of sentences statements, questions, imperative sentences, exclamatory sentences.
- Simple, compound, complex sentences
- Awareness of punctuation capital letters, full stops, commas, question marks, exclamatory marks, apostrophe, dash, inverted commas or speech marks (direct speech).

<u>Writing</u>

Writing questions will focus on a topic. Some guidelines will be given.

Writing questions will focus on any of the following :-

- <- Writing about personal experiences; recounts.
- <- Writing journal entry or diary entries, describing their experiences, their thoughts, feelings about a given situation.
- <- Letter writing formal and informal letters
- <- Writing description of a room, a place, a person, an experience
- <- Writing arguments for or against a given topic expressing views

Writing questions will assess student's ability to:-

- communicate variety of ideas, descriptive details, informative details;
- organise ideas into meaningful sentences;
- organise ideas into paragraphs;
- use appropriate connectives;
- use accurate grammar, punctuation, spelling
- write neat, legible joined handwriting