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HUM1100: INTENSIVE ENGLISH 1

Grammar and Academic Writing [Paper 2]

END OF FIRST SEMESTER EXAMINATIONS

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DURATION: 3 HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS

1. This paper has two (2) sections (Section A and Section B).
2. Answer **ALL QUESTIONS** in both sections.
3. Start each question on a new page in your booklet.
4. Do not repeat material.
5. Credit will be awarded for legible, logical, systematic and neat presentation.

SECTION A: LANGUAGE IN USE [40 marks]

INSTRUCTION: Answer ALL questions in this section.

Question 1

(10 Marks)

Read the short story and fill in the blanks with the correct form of the verb 'be' or 'have'.

Yesterday, my friends and I ___ (1) excited because we ___ (2) a football match to watch. The stadium ___ (3) full of fans. My best friend ___ (4) very happy because his favourite team ___ (5) playing. We ___ (6) some snacks with us. The weather ___ (7) sunny and warm. We ___ (8) a great time together. After the match, everyone ___ (9) tired but we ___ (10) big smiles on our faces.

Question 2

(10 Marks)

Complete the table by writing the correct article (*a, an, or the*) for each noun. Then, make one complete example sentence using the noun with its correct article.

Noun	Correct Article	Example Sentence
___ apple	___	_____
___ book	___	_____
___ elephant	___	_____
___ university	___	_____
___ moon	___	_____

Question 3

(10 Marks)

Complete the sentences by writing the correct comparative or superlative form of the adjective given in brackets.

1. My house is _____ (big) than yours.
2. This exam is _____ (easy) than the last one.
3. Today is the _____ (hot) day of the year.

4. Sarah is _____ (intelligent) than her brother.
5. Mount Everest is the _____ (high) mountain in the world.

Question 4

(10 Marks)

Complete the story by filling in the blanks with the correct present or past tense form of the verbs. The base form of each verb is given in brackets.

Last holiday, we ___ (travel) to Victoria Falls. We ___ (see) the waterfalls and ___ (take) many photos. My sister ___ (buy) souvenirs, and my brother ___ (play) football with local children. We ___ (enjoy) the trip very much. At night, we ___ (eat) delicious food and ___ (dance) to music. The journey ___ (be) unforgettable, and we ___ (have) many good memories.

SECTION B: ACADEMIC WRITING [60 marks]

INSTRUCTION: Answer ALL questions in this section.

Question 5

[20 Marks]

Write two (2) paragraphs on the topic below. Your answer must be a well-structured paragraph with a clear topic sentence, supporting details, and a concluding sentence. Your answer must also include at least three linking words (such as, *firstly*, *also*, *because*, *however*, *therefore*).

“Explain the importance of learning English today.”

Question 6

[25 Marks]

The sentences below are written in a mixed-up order. Read them carefully, then reorganise them logically by writing each sentence number (1–15) in the correct column: Topic, Introduction, Paragraph 1, Paragraph 2, Paragraph 3, and Conclusion. The first point (1) has already been done for you as an example.

1. The Role of Technology in Education
2. At school today, technology is very important for learning.
3. Many teachers also use projectors and smart boards, so lessons are more interesting.
4. We sometimes use computers to practice typing and writing skills.
5. Technology helps students to learn new things in different ways.
6. The internet is very useful because it helps us find information quickly.
7. In computer class, we play learning games, and this makes studying fun.

8. Phones are also used in school, but only when the teacher allows.
9. Some students use tablets to read e-books instead of heavy textbooks.
10. Teachers can explain difficult ideas with videos, so we understand better.
11. Technology also helps us to do group work because we can share documents.
12. Sometimes there are problems when the internet is slow, but we still try.
13. We also use technology for tests because some exams are online.
14. Many schools use email or apps to send homework and notices to students.
15. In conclusion, technology makes learning faster, easier, and more exciting.

1. **Topic:** The Role of Technology in Education

2. Introduction

3. Paragraph 1

4. Paragraph 2

5. Paragraph 3

6. Conclusion

Question 7

[15 marks]

The diagram below shows a student from Africa University travelling back home to Katanga in the Democratic Republic of Congo. Using the diagram as a guide, write five complete sentences to describe the travelling experience from Mutare to Lubumbashi (DRC)



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