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BEN 1.11– BASIC ENGLISH - I

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Answer all questions. Use separate sheets where necessary.

(01) Change the following sentences into negative.

a) I think they will be sad.

b) Why did you take him into the room?

c) The match began last Friday.

d) He keeps in touch with everyone in the village

e) Last year, I visited the planetarium.

f) I saw them in the Taj Hotel

g) She is going to bring him a cup of tea.

h) They work until night.

i) My uncle gave me a new computer for my birthday.

j) I am going to call my tutor.

(10 marks)

(02) Use appropriate prepositions in the spaces.

1. Does Alice still live _____ Market Avenue?
2. His book is _____ the table.
3. The table is _____ the room.
4. The chair is _____ the corner.
5. The books are _____ the bookcase.
6. The pictures are _____ the wall.
7. I first met him _____ our English class.
8. I met them _____ Kandy _____ 1956.
9. I haven't seen him _____ a long time.
10. I'm going there _____ June.

(10 marks)

(03) Write the correct question tag to the sentences on the left. One has been done for you.

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| 1. He is reading a newspa | Isn't he ? _____ |
| 2. You are Indian, | _____ |
| 3. They had a nice weekend, | _____ |
| 4. He is using the pencil, | _____ |
| 5. She has answered the teacher's question, | _____ |
| 6. The boy is from Turkey, | _____ |
| 7. Andrew is sleeping, | _____ |
| 8. They will arrive at Heathrow, | _____ |
| 9. He has a sister, | _____ |
| 10. He was a good boy, | _____ |
| 11. Sue was listening to a speech, | _____ |

(10 marks)

(04) Change the following sentences into simple present.

1. Man used his fingers and toes to perform simple computation.

2. We went to school with our class teacher.

3. It ran fast along the road.

4. My brother helped me in the class.

5. The driver stopped the bus at the halt.

(10 marks)

(05) Rearrange the words to form sentences.

1. itself/ the/ inform/ have/ I /to/ now /teacher.

2. and/ to/ Ben /Jack/ busy/ too /with/ play /are/ you.

3. my/ is/ almost/ story/ it/ like/ life

4. be/ three/ will/ here/ two/ for/ I /weeks /days/ and.

5. why/ wonder/ I /she /such /done /work/ has /a.

(10 marks)

(06) Rewrite these sentences using 's or ' in the correct places.

1. The ladies committee decided to hold their food fair next week.

2. Mrs. Ameens youngest grandchild is a chubby four-month- old boy.

3. The cheetahs long slender legs enable the animal to run at great speed.

4. My best friend aunt is a well-known criminal lawyer.

5. The two lost sheep bleats were heard by the shepherd

(10 marks)

(07) Three congratulatory notes are given below. They are mixed up. Rewrite them into three different notes.

Again, congratulation on a memorable achievement. I wish you the best and look forward to your wedding day. Congratulation on receiving your doctorate in Philosophy! Congratulation on your 25th wedding anniversary! Thank you for your lovely wedding invitation. Just this far is an accomplishment, and I wish you happiness for the next 25 years and more. Congratulation on your engagement! I am surer that graduation was a sensational day for you after all the years of studying.

A. _____

B. _____

C. _____

(10 marks)

(08) Read the note below and construct a suitable telephone conversation. Use separate sheet.

Nirose
I came to discuss about the workshop. The detail of initial plan is in your cupboard. You can read it. I will be at Registrar's office till 2pm. My contact no. is 0779898987. Please feel free to ring me at any time.
Niranjala

(10 marks)

(09) Use the information below and write a paragraph about Abdullah Al Aman and Ahmad Munas

Abdullah Al Aman

Ahmad Munas

Student
Sri Lanka
Twenty
Teacher
Kind and patient
In the classroom
Free
Board

Student
Sri Lanka
Twenty three
Telephone operator
Bad tempered
In the classroom
Busy
Desk

You may start as follows.

Abdullah Al Aman and Ahmad Munas are students. -----

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(10 marks)

(10) Read the passage and answer the questions below.

Electronic Mail (e-mail)

It can take days to send a letter across the country and weeks to go around the world. To save time and money, more and more people are using electronic mail. It's fast, easy and much cheaper than the using the post office. Today, e-mail has become the most popular service on the internet.

E-mail is an electronic message sent from one computer to another. Using this facility you can send or receive personal and business-related messages with attachments, such as pictures or formatted documents. You can even send music and computer programs.

Just as a letter makes stops at different postal stations along its way, e-mail passes from one computer, known as a mail server, to another as it travels over the Internet. Once it arrives at the destination mail server, it is stored in an electronic mailbox until the recipient retrieved it. This whole process can take seconds, allowing you to quickly communicate with people around the world at any time of the day or night.

Sending and Receiving e-mail Messages

To receive e-mail, you must have an account on a mail server. This is similar to having an address where you receive letters. One advantage over regular mail is that you can retrieve your e-mail from anywhere location. Once you connect to your mail server, you download your messages to your computer.

To send e-mail, you need a connection to the Internet and access to a mail sever that forwards your mail. The standard protocol used for sending Internet e-mail is called SMTP, short for Simple mail Transfer Protocol. It works in conjunction with POP servers. POP stands for Post Office Protocol. When you send an e-mail message, your computer routes it to an SMTP server. The server looks at the e-mail address (similar to the address on an envelope), then forwards it to the recipient's mail server, where it is stored until the addressee retrieves it. You can send e-mail anywhere in the world to anyone who has an e-mail address. Remember, almost all Internet service providers and all major online services offer at least one e-mail address with every account.

1. Give the reason why the e-mail has become so popular today.
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2. Define the term e-mail.
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3. What are the major components associated with the process of sending e-mail?
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4. Give at least three things which could be attached with e-mail.
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5. Quote the sentence which gives a thought that e-mail is very quick in action.
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6. What do you mean by the following words? Explain in your own words.
 - Personal
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 - Destination
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 - Similar
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 - Recipient
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7. What do the words **SMTP, POP** stand for?
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8. What happens to the message when e-mail is sent? Write the process in the order.
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(15marks)
