

EASTERN UNIVERSITY, SRI LANKA

FIRST YEAR FIRST SEMESTER EXAMINATION IN ARTS AND CULTURE
(2014/2015) – AUGUST 2016

EN - 1112 ADVANCED GRAMMAR



Time: Two (02) Hours.

Instruction to the candidates

- Answer the **first question in Part – A** and **any one question from Part – A** and **any two questions from Part – B**.
- Altogether you must answer **four (04)** questions.
- Marks will be deducted for wrong spellings and wrong grammar.
- This paper contains two (02) pages.

Part – A

Answer the **First (01)** question and **any other one question from this Part**. **Totally you must answer two questions from this part.**

1. Write a summary of the following passage:

“Bolt! Bolt! Bolt!” they cried, excitedly and repeatedly, revelling in Usain Bolt’s every pose, wave and smile. And, most of all, in his victory. The Jamaican had promised the world he would create history in Rio 2016 Olympic Game, and he proved good to his word to become the first man to win three Olympic 100m titles.

The time was nothing special – 9.81 seconds – but at this stage of his career he knows searching for titles is more realistic than world record times. This win lifted Bolt above Carl Lewis – who won 100m gold in Los Angeles and Seoul – and he now has seven gold medals to his name.

This was Bolt’s slowest championship winning time, a far cry when he raced away from the field to set an Olympic record of 9.63 sec in London four years ago. It is part of a gradual slowing down and he winds towards retirement next year. At the world championships in Moscow in 2013 he had run 9.77, in Beijing last year 9.79. Simultaneously he appears increasingly mortal yet still far beyond the reach of his contemporaries.

“I’m really happy but I expected to go faster,” Bolt admitted. “With the turnaround time between the semi-final and final we normally have two hours, but we had one hour 20 minutes, it was challenging. But I’m just happy that I won and that’s the key thing.”

(232 words)

(Extract from: www.theguardian.com/sport/2016/aug/15/usain-bolt-surges-past-justin-gatlin-to-win-historic-olympic-100m-gold-in-rio)

(20 Marks)

2. Write short notes on the following verbs with suitable examples:

- a. Transitive Verbs
- b. Intransitive Verbs
- c. Reflexive Verbs
- d. Verbs of Incomplete Predication

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3. What is a Gender in English Grammar? Also describe the following genders with suitable examples:

- a. Masculine Gender
- b. Feminine Gender
- c. Common Gender
- d. Neuter Gender.

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(Total Marks 2 X 20 = 40 Ma

Part – B

Answer any two (02) questions from this Part. Totally you must answer questions from this part.

4. Write a detailed note on adjectives in English language.

(30 Ma

5. Define the term pronoun and discuss the different usage of it.

(30 Ma

6. What is an adverb? Give a detailed note on adverbs.

(30 Ma

(Total Marks 2 X 30 = 60 Ma