

EASTERN UNIVERSITY, SRI LANKA

FIRST YEAR FIRST SEMESTER EXAMINATION IN ARTS AND CULTURE

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EN 1112 ADVANCED GRAMMAR

Time: Two (02) hours

Instructions to the candidates:

1. This paper carries six (06) questions.
2. Answer the **first question in Part – A** and **any one question from Part – A** and **any two questions from Part – B**.
3. Altogether you must answer four questions.
4. Each question carries equal marks.
5. You will be penalised for wrong spelling and wrong grammar.

SECTION – A

1. Write a summary of the following passage in about 130 words.

Home is the first place of education and parents are first teacher in everyone's life. In our childhood, we get first impression of education from our home especially from our mother. Our parents let us know the importance of good education in the life. When we become three or four years old, we are sent to the school for the proper, regular and sequential study where we have to sit many exams and then we get a pass certificate for one class. Slowly we go ahead by passing our one by one class until we get passed successfully till 12th standard. Then start preparations for getting admission to the technical or professional degree which is called as higher study. Higher study is very necessary for all to get good and technical job in the life.

We become well educated persons in the life by the efforts of our parents and teachers. They are real well wishers of us who help us in leading our life towards success. Now-a-days, many governmental programmes have been implemented to enhance the education system so that everyone may get access to the proper education. Lots of advertisements are shown on the TV and news to make people aware of the advantages and importance of education especially in the rural areas as people in backward or rural areas do not want to study because of poorness and improper understanding towards the education.

Earlier, the education system was so tough and costly, poor people were not able to get higher studies after the 12th standard. There was so much differences and inequality in the society among people. People of higher caste were studying well and people of lower caste were not allowed to study in the schools and colleges. However currently, the whole criteria and theme of education has been changed to a great level. There are many rules and regulations been made and implemented by the Indian government to make education system accessible and less costly for all levels of people. Most importantly the distance learning programmes has made higher studies so simple and cheap so that people from backwards areas, poor people and people living good life may get equal access to the education and success in the future. Well-educated people make the healthy pillar of the country and lead it ahead in the future. So, education is the tool which can make every impossible thing possible in the life, society and nation.

409 words

(Source: <https://www.indiacelebrating.com/essay/importance-of-education-essay/>)
(20 Marks)

2. What is Gender in English Grammar? Also describe the following genders with suitable examples:
- Common noun
 - Proper noun
 - Collective noun
 - Abstract noun.
- (5 X 4 = 20 Marks)
3. Write a detailed account on the following articles in English with suitable examples for each:
- Definite
 - Indefinite
- (5 X 4 = 20 Marks)

SECTION - B

4. List out the Parts of Speech in English and write a general essay distinguishing one from the other.
(30 Marks)
5. Enumerate the various types of pronouns in English and explicate their functions. Support with examples.
(30 Marks)
6. What is an adjective? Write an essay on adjective describing how it is used in English sentences.
(30 Marks)