

# 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 **two questions from Section – A, including Question 1 and any two questions from Section – B.**
3. Altogether you must answer **four** questions.
4. You will be penalised for wrong spelling and wrong grammar.

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#### SECTION – A

1. Write a summary of the following passage in about 150 words:

During my vacation last May, Joseph had a hard time choosing a tour. Flights to Japan, Hong Kong and Australia are just too common. What Joseph wanted was somewhere exciting and exotic, a place where he could be spared from the holiday tour crowds. Joseph was so happy when Joan called up, suggesting a trip to Eritrea, a country in Africa. Joseph agreed and went off with the preparation immediately.

They took a flight to Eritrea and visited some places there, surrounded by magnificent mountain scenery, the town painted a paradise before them. With its Oconaluftee Indian Village reproducing tribal crafts and lifestyles of the 18th century and the outdoor historical pageant *Unto These Hills* playing six times weekly in the summer nights, Qualla Boundary tries to present a brief image of the country past to the tourists.

Despite the language barrier, they managed to find their way to the souvenir shops with the help of the natives. The shops are filled with rubber tomahawks and colorful traditional war bonnets, made of dyed turkey feathers. Tepees, cone-shaped tents made from animal skin, are also pitched near the shops. "Welcome! Want to get anything?" Joseph and Joan looked up and saw a middle-aged man smiling at them. They were very surprised by his fluent English. He introduced himself as George and they ended up chatting till lunch time when George invited them for lunch at a nearby coffee shop.

"Sometimes, I've to work from morning to sunset during the tour season. Anyway, this is still better off than being a woodcutter ..." Remembrance weighed heavy on George's mind and he went on to tell them that he used to cut firewood for a living but could hardly make ends meet. They learnt from him that Eritrea does not depend solely on trade for survival. During the tour off-peak period, the tribe would have to try out other means

for income. One of the successful ways is the "Bingo Weekend". On the Friday afternoons of the Bingo weekends, a large bingo hall will be opened, attracting huge crowds of people to the various kinds of games like the Super Jackpot and the Warrior Game Special. According to George, these forms of entertainment fetch them great returns.

Their final stop in Keren was at the museum where arts, ranging from the simple hand-woven oak baskets to wood and stone carvings of wolves, ravens and other symbols of Cherokee cosmology are displayed.

Back at home, Joseph really missed the place and he would of course look forward to the next trip to another exotic place.

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(20 Marks)

2. Briefly describe the following nouns with suitable examples:

- a) Common noun
- b) Proper noun
- c) Collective noun
- d) Abstract noun.

(5 X 4 = 20 Marks)

3. With suitable examples write short notes on the following:

- a) Pronoun in English
- b) Personal pronoun
- c) Reflexive pronoun
- d) Demonstrative pronoun
- e) Relative pronoun

(4 X 5 = 20 Marks)

### SECTION - B

4. Describe "Articles" in the English Language with suitable examples.

(30 Marks)

5. Enumerate the various types of adverbs in the English language and explicate their functions with examples.

(30 Marks)

6. What is an adjective? Write an essay on adjective describing how it is used in English sentences.

(30 Marks)