

# EASTERN UNIVERSITY, SRI LANKA

THIRD YEAR FIRST SEMESTER EXAMINATION IN ARTS & CULTURE  
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NEL 3110    ADVANCED GENERAL ENGLISH - I



Time: TWO (02) Hours

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### Instructions to the candidates:

1. Answer all the questions on this paper itself.
2. Marks will be deducted for spelling errors and grammatical mistakes.
3. Read each question carefully and answer them.
4. This paper consists of SEVEN (07) pages.

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Question Number	Maximum Marks	Marks Obtained
1    A	20	.....
B	10	.....
2	15	.....
3	10	.....
4	20	.....
5	25	.....
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## Reading Skills:

### Q1. A. Read the passage and answer the questions that follow:

'Thank God for tea! What would the world do without tea?' So said an English writer, was right. How refreshing a cup of tea is! There is hardly a country where people do not drink it. It is now the most common drink all over the world.

Tea first came from China. Now it is also grown in India and Sri Lanka. In India it is grown in Assam, in the hills round about Darjeeling, and in the hilly districts of Chhota Nagpur and Bihar and in the Nilgiris. Tea can be grown only in those parts of the world where the climate is hot, and where there is a good rainfall.

Tea is prepared from the leaves of the tea-plant the leaves are picked from the plant while they are still young and green. The picking is usually done by women. They carry baskets which they fill with the tea-leaves. When their baskets are full, they carry them to the factory.

At the factory the tea-leaves are spread on flat trays. The trays are then carried to a heated room. The heat makes the leaves soft. Next the leaves are passed through a machine which curls and presses them. Then the leaves are spread in thin layers and covered with damp curtains. Here the leaves change their colour. Now they have a fine scent. The leaves are dried once more and packed into tin boxes, and then sent to other parts of the world.

There are hundreds of tea-gardens in India where tea is grown. India sends tea worth crores of rupees to other countries of the world.

Tea to drink is made in a tea-pot. Dry tea leaves are put into the pot. Boiling water is then poured in. After standing a few minutes, the tea is ready to drink.

English people and Indians take their tea with milk and sugar. The Russians mix it with lemon juice, but the Chinese drink it without either sugar or milk.

Tea is a pleasant drink. It refreshes us when we are tired.

#### A. Read the question carefully and underline the correct answer.

- Why do most people drink tea?  
(i) Pleasant drink      (ii) Refreshes when tired      (iii) cheap
- Chinese take their tea  
(i) with milk and sugar      (ii) With sugar      (iii) Without milk or sugar
- Russians mix the tea to drink  
(i) Milk only      (ii) Milk and sugar      (iii) Lemon
- When are the leaves of tea picked?  
(i) Plants are young      (ii) Plants green and young      (iii) When leaves wither
- The leaves are passed through the machine  
(i) To dry them      (ii) Change their colour      (iii) Curls and presses

1. Give a suitable title to the text given above.

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(Mark: 01)

2. Summarize the text in 30 to 40 words.


(Marks: 07)

3. According to the text, what has Sri Lanka Tourism devised to improve the tourism industry in the year 2016 in Sri Lanka?

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(Marks: 03)

4. According to the text, what are the five key objectives on which the strategy of Sri Lankan tourism based on?

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(Marks: 03)

5. What are the two factors that opted Sri Lanka tourism to implement a fully-fledged online and digital marketing campaign for the year 2016 as stated in the text?

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(Marks: 03)

6. State some of the strategic plans that are to be implemented to reach the expected target for the year 2016 as far as the tourism industry of Sri Lanka is concerned, based on the text?

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(Marks: 03)

7. Explain the following in your own words (English). **Do not write sentences.**

- a) sustainable: .....
- b) stakeholders: .....
- c) formulated: .....
- d) revenue: .....
- e) frequently: .....
- f) familiarization: .....
- g) domestic: .....
- h) acclaimed: .....
- i) strategy: .....
- j) core: .....

(Marks: 10)

**Total Marks: 30**

## Section 2: Language Structure

**Q2: Fill in each blank with the correct form of the verb within brackets**

- 1. My boss usually ..... (read) the reports in the morning.
- 2. Every other day morning our head ..... (address) the staff.
- 3. The Prime Minister ..... (declare) the new building opened this evening.
- 4. The President ..... (speak) on TV tonight.
- 5. Titanic - the luxury ship ..... (sink) on 14<sup>th</sup> of April, 1912.
- 6. I ..... (not receive) a reply from the department yet.
- 7. She ..... (teach) in ELTU for the last ten years.
- 8. I went to bed after I ..... (complete) my assignments.
- 9. The Secretary is busy. He ..... (write) a letter.
- 10. She ..... (come) to the University before the first lecture started.

**Total Marks: 15**

**Q3: Change the following sentences into passive voice**

1. The government presents the budget every year.

2. Martin Cooper made the first mobile phone call on 3<sup>rd</sup> of April, 1973.

3. Farmers are ploughing the field now.

4. The N.I.E has revised the A/L General English Syllabus.

5. Captain Cook discovered Australia.

6. My father was reading the newspaper.

7. The Vice Chancellor will meet the students tomorrow.

8. Alexander Fleming invented Penicillin.

9. The Health Department is taking necessary steps to eradicate Dengue mosquitos.

10. My mother bought me a new shirt.

**Total Marks: 20**

Q4. Fill the library membership form given below.

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Total marks



