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ENGLISH LANGUAGE TEST

GRADE TEN

Semester One First Session

| Name | | |
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Write your answers on the Test Paper

Time: 2½ hours Pages: 16

| ELEMENT | | Ma | rks | Red Marker | Green Marker Name | Blue Checker |
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| LISTENING | 15 | | | | | |
| VOCABULARY | 5 | | | | | |
| GRAMMAR | 5 | | | | | |
| READING | 20 | | | | | |
| WRITING | 15 | | | | | |
| TOTAL | 60 | | | | | |

LISTENING 1 (Items 1-6)

(6 marks)

You are going to hear an interview in the studio between a presenter and Mr Hassan Unver, the Mayor of Nevsehir. They are talking about **an underground city** discovered in Turkey.

Listen and for each item, shade in the bubble \bigcirc *next to the correct option.*

| 1. | The | underground city was dis | scove | red in Turkey in | • | |
|----|-------|--------------------------------------|--------|---------------------------|---|--------------------|
| | 0 | 2014 | 0 | 2015 | 0 | 2016 |
| 2. | | as discovered by some archaeologists | | builders | 0 | scientists |
| 2 | | | | | | |
| 3. | | | | ere found in the undergro | | |
| | 0 | 30 | 0 | 37 | 0 | 44 |
| 4. | The | tunnels were originally us | sed to | transport | | · |
| | 0 | agricultural products | 0 | artefacts | 0 | historical objects |
| 5. | The | Cannadocian neonle used | d the | underground city to | | their enemies |
| - | | arrest | | attack | | hide from |
| | 0 | arrest | O | attack | 0 | flide IfOffi |
| 6. | In th | ne future, the undergroun | d city | will be used to support_ | | |
| | 0 | agriculture | 0 | research | 0 | tourism |
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LISTENING 2 (Items 7-11)

(5 marks)

You are going to hear a story in a radio programme about an earthquake in Italy. Listen and for each item, write a <u>short</u> answer (**not more than FOUR WORDS**).

| 7. | Where was Stefano when the earthquake happened? | |
|-----------|---|--|
| 8. | How many people were injured in the earthquake? | |
| 9. | Why couldn't Stefano call his family? | |
| 10 | | |
| | How long was Silvia buried under the ruins? | |
| | For | |

LISTENING 3 (Items 12-15)

(4 marks)

LISTENING SCORE

15

You are going to hear four people speaking. **Where** are they? Listen and for each item, shade in the bubble \bigcirc under the correct option.

| | at an airport | at a bank | in a cinema | at home | at a library | at a sport stadium |
|----------------|---------------|-----------|-------------|---------|--------------|-----------------------|
| 12. (1) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 13. (2) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 14. (3) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 15. (4) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
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VOCABULARY 1 (Items 1-5)

(2½ marks)

For each item, shade in the bubble \bigcirc next to the correct option.

| | The O | ld Man and the S | ea is a | a short novel writ | ten b | y the American (| 1) | Ernest |
|----|---------|-----------------------|---------|------------------------|--------|--------------------|--------|------------------|
| | Hemin | igway in 1951. It | (2) _ | the stor | y of a | battle between a | an old | fisherman and |
| | his gre | eatest catch of a | huge | fish, called marlir | n. Sar | ntiago is the mair | (3) | in the |
| | novel. | He gets rid of his | s bad | luck of returning | home | e empty-handed | for 84 | days by |
| | catchi | ng the ⁽⁴⁾ | | marlin. <i>The Old</i> | Man a | and the Sea was | the la | st major work of |
| | fiction | by Hemingway t | hat w | as (5) | | during his lifetim | ne. | |
| 1. | 0 | athlete | 0 | archeologist | 0 | author | 0 | forecaster |
| 2. | 0 | draws | 0 | speaks | 0 | tells | 0 | writes |
| 3. | 0 | character | 0 | plot | 0 | setting | 0 | theme |
| 4. | 0 | enormous | 0 | surprised | 0 | tiny | 0 | weak |
| 5. | 0 | disappeared | 0 | examined | 0 | predicted | 0 | published |
| | | | | | | | | |

VOCABULARY 2 (Items 6-10)

Example:

(2½ marks)

For each item, read the definition and the example.

Then complete the word in the space provided.

You are given the first letter(s) of the word. Make sure your spelling is correct.

(noun) a room where food is prepared and cooked

e.g. They keep the fridge in the **kit** <u>c</u> <u>h</u> <u>e</u> <u>n</u>.

6. (noun) a large area of land covered with thick trees. e.g. Many wild animals live in the **for** _ _ _ . 7. (noun) a building where important historical objects are kept and shown to people. e.g. Many tourists visited the National **Mus** _ _ _ yesterday. **8.** (adverb) the opposite of quietly. e.g. The teacher asked the student to speak **lou** . **9.** (adjective) the opposite of weak e.g. Doing exercise makes your body fit and **str** _ _ _ . **10.** (verb) to keep away from something. What food do you **av** _ _ eating? e.g.

VOCABULARY

SCORE

5

GRAMMAR 1 (Items 1-5)

Speaker B:

 $(2\frac{1}{2} \text{ marks})$

For each item, Shade in the bubble \bigcirc under the correct option.

Speaker A: Have you finished (1) report?

Not yet. I'm really tired.

Speaker A: What (2) _____ going out?

Speaker B: That's ok. What (3) you suggest?

Speaker A: Well, I'm thinking of a boat trip.

I see, (4) _____ that might take a long time. I prefer watching a film Speaker B:

instead.

Speaker A: OK. So let's meet at the cinema at 7 o'clock".

Speaker B: Great. I (5) _____ be there.

about am are but do of so us will your 1.

2.

3.

5.

GRAMMAR 2 (Items 6-10)

(2½ marks)

Complete each sentence with **ONE** word only.

- **6.** This is the boy _____ won the golden medal in the competition.
- **7.** If he had run faster, he would _____ won the race.
- **8.** The woman _____ cooking when her child broke the window yesterday.
- **9.** I promised _____ buy a new watch for my son.
- **10.** _____ there any new students in your class this year?

| GRAMMAR | |
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| SCORE | 5 |
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READING 1 (Items 1-5)

(5 marks)

Match the five texts on the left with the texts in the box. (There are two extra texts in the box.) Shade in the bubble \bigcirc under the correct option.

- 1. My friends and I work with a charity organization, which is part of our local community services.
- **2.** In October 2016, terrible landslides in China resulted in burying hundreds of homes.
- **3.** Three close friends prepared everything to go on a fishing trip at the weekend.
- **4.** I'm doing a project about traditional Omani stories. I've already collected some by interviewing old people.
- **5.** It's very important to follow the safety rules to protect yourself when you go cycling.

- A. They took permission from their parents, checked the weather forecast and rented a small boat.
- **B.** Wearing suitable clothes and using trainers and helmets keep you safe from injuries.
- **C.** A rescue team consisting of 180 diggers worked day and night to find survivors.
- The stadium was full of supporters from all over the world. They were waving flags.
- **E.** We collect donations such as money and other things to be distributed to poor people.
- **F.** He prepared his bag, said goodbye to his parents and drove his car down the town.
- **G.** Also, my teacher advised me to search for more information in websites and libraries.

| | Α | В | С | D | Е | F | G |
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| 1. | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 2. | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 3. | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 4. | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 5. | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

READING 2 (Items 6-11)

(6 marks)

Read the following two letters. Then for each item, shade in the bubble \bigcirc next to the correct option.

TEXT 1

| | | / Madam, | | | | |
|----|-----------------|---|----------|----------------------|-------------|-------------------------|
| | am w ny issu | riting this letter asking t e. | for a q | uick reply from you | ır insuranc | e company regarding |
| ٧ | vas val | nths ago, I insured my lued for about 50000 ri ing was burned including | als. Uı | nfortunately, my sh | op caught | |
| S | moking | beginning, I thought t g cigarette. However, af a lightning strike. | | | - | • |
| | | that your insurance cor pay me the insurance o | | | visit the s | hop for evaluation in |
| | | is letter, I have enclosed ce documents. | I the p | olice report, some p | hotos of th | ne burnt shop and the |
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| V | ours si | incerely, | | | | |
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| | Tialia F | AI ADII | | | | |
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| 6. | Mr. A | Al Abri paid | rials fo | r the insurance com | ipany. | |
| | 0 | 1500 | 0 | 5000 | 0 | 50000 |
| | | | | | | |
| 7. | The : | shop was burned becaus | e of _ | | | |
| | 0 | an electrical problem | 0 | a lightning strike | 0 | a smoking cigarette |
| | | | | | | |
| 8. | Mr. A | Al Abri asks the insuranc | e comp | oany to | | |
| | 0 | buy new furniture for him | 0 | repair the shop | 0 | visit the burnt shop |

READING 2 (continued)

TEXT 2

| De | ar Mr | . Al Abri, | | | | | | | |
|-----------------|--|--|----------|-------------|-----------------|-----------------------|--|--|--|
| | ank y op. | ou for trusting our ins | urance | company. We | are really sorr | y to hear about your | | | |
| co ch | Regarding your insurance, we have checked the document and found out that the contract was signed 10 months ago, so it is still valid for 2 more months. We have also checked that it does cover natural disasters, so our company will probably provide you with the insurance value after examining the shop. | | | | | | | | |
| bu ou aff | Regarding your request to visit the shop, we are sorry to inform you that we are quite busy in the coming two weeks as we are preparing our new branch in Salalah. Most of our employees are there. Besides, the two engineers who are responsible for visiting the affected buildings are not available. One of them is on an emergency leave for a week and the other one is having a training course. We are really under pressure. | | | | | | | | |
| | | ng to our busy schedule at it would be convenie | - | | sit your shop a | after three weeks. We | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | |
| S | incere | ly, | | | | | | | |
| Ad | lil Al B | ulushi | | | | | | | |
| Ma | anagin | g Director | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | |
| 9. | Mr. A | Al Abri insured his shop | for | | | | | | |
| | 0 | 2 months | 0 | 10 months | 0 | 1 year | | | |
| | _ | | _ | | | | | | |
| 10. | Most | of the company's work | cers are | e | | | | | |
| | 0 | busy | 0 | on leave | 0 | taking a course | | | |
| | | , | | | | 22 | | | |
| 11. | Th≏ | burnt shop will be visite | ad after | r | | | | | |
| | - | · | | two weeks | .· | three weeks | | | |
| | 0 | one week | S | two weeks | 0 | unee weeks | | | |
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READING 3 (Items 12-17)

(9 marks)

Read the text. Then, complete the task.

Bed racing is one of the most unusual sports. It was originally held to raise funds for charities. The first race was organized by the people in knaresboroug in the Uk in 1965. It was only for the army and navy. The US Marines also joined the first race. One year later, it was opened for the public. This sport was then spread throughout USA, Germany and New Zealand. Few years later, bed raising sport changed to fun and entertainment purposes.

The first event of the race was only held with four teams. The organizers raised about 300 pounds for the charities. That was because of bad weather in knaresboroug. The second race was better. Twenty one teams participated in the event and 800 pounds were raised.

In the UK, bed racing competitions between teams take place every June. Each team should consist of six racers plus one on the bed. The beds must be designed with four wheels to help the racers move the bed easily. The teams run and push the beds for about 3km. They must climb up a hill. Then, they must run down towards the Nidd River and cross it. The whole race is about half an hour. However, a fast team can finish the race in about fourteen minutes.

Every year, there is a theme for the race. The teams should decorate their beds according to that theme. The racers are encouraged to dress according to the theme to win prizes. In addition, they must wear protective helmets and life jackets for their safety.

READING 3 (continued)

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|---------|--------|--------------------------------------|------------|--------------------------|---------|--------------|-----|
| | | | | | | | |
| C | > | decorated dresses | 0 | helmets | 0 | life jackets | 5 |
| Ra | ac | ers get prizes if the | y wear | | | | |
| Th C |) • | race lasts for about | 0 | minutes. | 0 | 60 | |
| | | | | | | | , |
| | | purpose of the first decorating beds | | having entertainment | 0 | raising mo | ney |
| | | · | | ubble 🗢 next to the corn | rect op | otion. | |
| | | | | | | | |
| Hc | | many members are | | each bed racing team? | | | |
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| WI | hy | did the organizers | get less m | oney in the first race? | | | |
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WRITING 1 (5 marks)

Write at least **60 words** on the following topic:

High speed is the main reason for car accidents. Do you agree? Give your reasons.

| Your writing should be clear, well-organised and interesting. |
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WRITING 2 (10 marks)

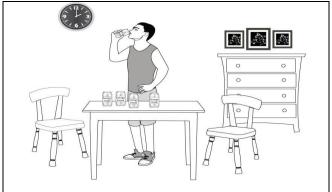
Write a **story** of at least **100 words** based on the following pictures.

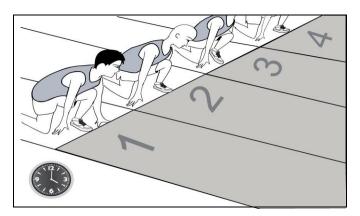
You can use the words in the box to help you.

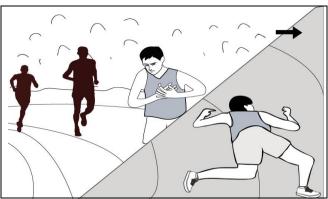
You can also put in more details to make your story lively and interesting.

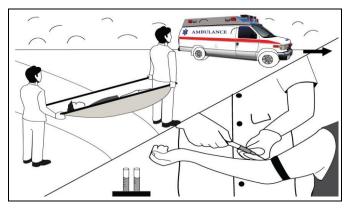
| think/win | energy drink | running race | pain/ fell down |
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| ambulance | blood test | discuss/dangerous | sad |

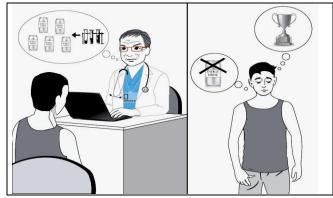












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Average

Marker B

writing score 15

Marker A

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| | LISTENING 1 (6 mks) | | | | | | | | |
|------|--|-----------------------|---|-----------|---|--------------------|--|--|--|
| 1. | 0 | 2014 | • | 2015 | 0 | 2016 | | | |
| 2. | 0 | archaeologists | • | builders | 0 | Scientists | | | |
| 3. | 0 | 30 | 0 | 37 | • | 44 | | | |
| 4. | • | agricultural products | 0 | artefacts | 0 | historical objects | | | |
| 5. | 0 | arrest | 0 | attack | • | hide from | | | |
| 6. | 0 | agriculture | 0 | research | • | tourism | | | |
| Note | Notes: One mark each. Responses must be indicated clearly. | | | | | | | | |

LISTENING 2 (5 mks)

- 7. At Rome University / University / Rome/ away from home
- **8.** 200 / two hundred
- 9. (the phone) lines were not working
- 10. (his) wife and son
- **11.** 17/ seventeen hours

Notes: (i) One mark each.

(ii) Complete accuracy in grammar & spelling is not required, but answers must be <u>clearly</u> and <u>convincingly</u> correct.

(iii) In general, apply the 'not more than four words'. HOWEVER, use common sense for slightly longer, but obviously correct answers.

| - | LISTENING 3 (4 mks) | | | | | | | | | | |
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| | at an airport | at a bank | in a cinema | at home | at a library | at a sport stadium | | | | | |
| 12. | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | | | | | | |
| 13. | 0 | 0 | 0 | | 0 | 0 | | | | | |
| 14. | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | | 0 | | | | | |
| 15. | 0 | 0 | • | 0 | 0 | 0 | | | | | |
| <u>Note</u> | Notes: One mark each. Responses must be indicated <u>clearly</u> . | | | | | | | | | | |

| | VOCABULARY 1 (2.5 mks) | | | | | | | | |
|-----|------------------------|---------------------|-------|--------------------|-----------------|-----------------|---|------------|--|
| 1. | 0 | athlete | 0 | archeologists | • | author | 0 | forecaster | |
| 2. | 0 | draws | 0 | speaks | • | tells | 0 | writes | |
| 3. | | character | 0 | plot | 0 | setting | 0 | theme | |
| 4. | | enormous | 0 | surprised | 0 | tiny | 0 | weak | |
| 5. | 0 | disappeared | 0 | examined | 0 | predicted | | published | |
| Not | <u>es</u> : H | lalf-a-mark each. R | espon | ses must be indica | ited <u>cle</u> | earl <u>y</u> . | | | |
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| | VOCABULARY 2 (2.5 mks) | | | | | | | | |
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| ь. | <u>tor</u> est | 9. | <u>str</u> ong |
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| 7. | <u>Mus</u> eum | 10. | <u>av</u> oid |
| 8. | <u>lou</u> dly | | |
| Note | es: Half-a-mark each. Spelling must be correct. | | |
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| | GRAMMAR 1 (2.5 mks) | | | | | | | | | | |
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| 2. | | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | |
| 3. | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | • | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | |
| 4. | 0 | 0 | 0 | • | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | |
| 5. | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | | 0 | |
| Note | Notes: Half-a-mark each. Responses must be indicated clearly. | | | | | | | | | | |

| GR | AMMAR 2 (2.5 mks) | | READING 1 (5 mks) | | | | | | | | |
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| 7. | have | 2. | 0 | 0 | | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | | |
| 8. | was | 3. | | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | | |
| 9. | to | 4. | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | | | |
| 10. | Are | 5. | 0 | | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | | |
| | es: Half-a-mark each. Iling <u>must</u> be correct. | Notes: One mark each. Responses must be indicated clearly. | | | | | | | | | |

| | READING 2 (6 mks) | | | | | | | | | |
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| 6. | • | 1500 | 0 | 5000 | 0 | 50000 | | | | |
| 7. | 0 | an electrical problem | | a lightning strike | 0 | a smoking cigarette | | | | |
| 8. | 0 | buy new furniture for him | 0 | repair the shop | • | visit his burnt shop | | | | |
| 9. | 0 | 2 months | 0 | 10 months | | 1 year | | | | |
| 10. | • | busy | 0 | on leave | 0 | under pressure | | | | |
| 11. | 0 | one week | 0 | two weeks | | three weeks | | | | |
| Notes | Notes: One mark each. Responses must be indicated <u>clearly</u> . | | | | | | | | | |

| | | RE | ADING 3 (9 mks) | | |
|-----|---------------------------------------|----|----------------------|---|---------------|
| 12. | The UK | | | | |
| 13. | bad weather | | | | |
| 14. | 7 | | | | |
| 15. | decorating beds | 0 | having entertainment | | raising money |
| 16. | O 14 | | 30 | 0 | 60 |
| 17. | decorated dresses | 0 | helmets | 0 | life jackets |

Notes: One-and-a-half marks each.

<u>Qs 12-14</u>: (i) Complete accuracy in grammar & spelling is not required, but answers must be <u>clearly</u> and <u>convincingly</u> correct. (ii) In general, apply the '<u>not more than four words'</u>. HOWEVER, use common sense for slightly longer, but <u>obviously correct</u> answers.

Qs 15-17: Responses must be indicated clearly.

| WRITING 1 (5 mks) | | | | |
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| 5 | Discusses the topic in a lively, interesting way, making effective use of supporting arguments. The points made by the writer are logically organised and very clear. Makes use of a fair range of structures and vocabulary, with a good level of accuracy. | | | |
| 4 | Discusses the topic reasonably well, but use of supporting arguments is not fully effective. The points made by the writer are reasonably well organized and mostly clear. Use of grammar and vocabulary is reasonably correct, though rather limited in range. | | | |
| 3 | Expresses opinions with some use of supporting arguments, but only in a limited way. The writer makes an attempt to organise his/her points, but this is only partly effective. There is a noticeable lack of accuracy in the use of grammar and vocabulary. | | | |
| 2 | Makes an attempt to discuss the topic, but the result is unconvincing and clearly inadequate. Weak organization makes it difficult to follow the points being made by the writer. Grammar and vocabulary contain frequent serious errors. | | | |
| 1 | A <u>very</u> feeble attempt to discuss the topic. Very little relevant content. The points made by the writer are confused and disjointed. The language used is extremely limited and/or seriously distorted. | | | |
| 0 | No attempt at the task: EITHER Irrelevant (Completely unrelated to the topic) OR Just copied from the Q-paper OR Hardly any writing at all, or not written in English OR Complete nonsense | | | |

| WRITING 2 (10 mks) | | | | |
|--------------------|---|--|--|--|
| 10 | Tells the story fully and clearly, in a lively, interesting way, providing appropriate details. The text is coherent and easy to read. Not many language errors. | | | |
| 8 | Tells the story clearly enough, but writing lacks interest for the reader. There are several noticeable language errors and the text sometimes lacks coherence. | | | |
| 6 | Manages to convey the main outline of the story, but only in a limited way. Language used is limited in range and/or contains quite frequent errors. | | | |
| 4 | An attempt is made to tell the story, but important points are either missing or unclear. Language used is very limited and/or contains many serious errors. | | | |
| 2 | A <u>very</u> feeble attempt to tell the story. Very little relevant content. Language used is extremely limited and/or seriously distorted. | | | |
| 0 | No attempt at the task: EITHER Irrelevant (Completely unrelated to the pictures) OR Hardly any writing at all, or not written in English OR Complete nonsense | | | |