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MOCK 2025 PAPER 1 MARKING SCHEME

Format (6 Marks)

Sender's Address (1 mark)

• Clearly indicated (e.g., P.O. Box, City, Country)

Date (1 mark)

• Appropriately formatted (e.g., 17th May 2025)

Recipient's Address (1 mark)

• Correctly written to the Dean of Studies, including university and department.

Salutation (1 mark)

• Correct use: "Dear Sir/Madam," or "Dear Dean,"

Subject Line (1 mark)

• Concise and specific (e.g., RE: Inquiry on Admission into Bachelor of Science in Computer Science)

Closing & Signature (1 mark)

• Formal closing: "Yours faithfully," followed by signature and printed name.

Content (8 Marks)

Clearly expressed intention/purpose of the letter (2 marks)

The letter must include clear inquiries on:

- 1. Admission process (1 mark)
- 2. Eligibility criteria (1 mark)
- 3. Documents required for application (1 mark)
- 4. Application deadlines (1 mark)

Politeness and formality in the expression (1 mark)

Logical flow and coherence of ideas (1 mark)

Language (6 Marks)



CLOZE TEST (Marking Scheme):

- 1. flaws/errors
- 2. tragic/fatal
- 3. power/authority
- 4. dangers/consequences
- 5. corrupted/influenced
- 6. fear/sympathy
- 7. irony
- 8. creates/builds
- 9. Ultimately
- 10. responsibility/accountability/control

Oral Skills (30 Marks)

a) Factors that would make you fail to enjoy the narration (3 marks)

- Narrating in a monotonous voice without varying tone or pitch. (1 mark)
- Lack of eye contact, gestures, facial expressions, or general body language. (1 mark)
- Narrating too fast or too slowly, causing boredom or confusion. (1 mark)

b) Performance of the line: "And that, children, is why the hyena limps to this day." (2 marks)

- Employ a dramatic pause before the line to create suspense. (1 mark)
- Lower the voice slightly, speak slowly, and maintain eye contact with the audience to emphasize the moral or concluding message. (1 mark)

c) Qualities of the narrative that identify it as orally presented (2 marks)

- Use of direct audience address ("children"). (1 mark)
- It contains a moral lesson, typical of oral narratives. (1 mark)

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b) Odd one out in pronunciation (3 marks)

Award 1 mark each:

- i. chute
- ii. elegant
- iii. thought

c) Effective participation in a group discussion (3 marks)

- Read the novel thoroughly and take notes beforehand. (1 mark)
- Listen actively, respect differing opinions, and ask relevant questions politely. (1 mark)
- Clearly articulate points and support them with evidence from the text. (1 mark)

d) Indicate intonation patterns (3 marks)

Award 1 mark each:

- i. **Rising** (Are they coming now?)
- ii. Falling (Shut up!)
- iii. Falling (The culprit was arraigned in court.)

e) Weaknesses in Rex's negotiation skills (4 marks)

- Poor timing or inappropriate time chosen to approach her father. (1 mark)
- Lack of respectful language or polite tone while asking. (1 mark)
- Failure to clearly justify or explain the importance of attending the party. (1 mark)
- Failure to respectfully listen or respond calmly to her father's concerns. (1 mark)

f) Three considerations when drafting a vote of thanks (3 marks)

- Acknowledge and appreciate the facilitator's effort and expertise clearly. (1 mark)
- Highlight key points or lessons learned during the facilitation session briefly. (1 mark)
- Maintain appropriate courtesy, politeness, and formality throughout the speech. (1 mark)



f) Signs that audience was pleased after your presentation (3 marks)

- Loud or prolonged applause from the audience. (1 mark)
- Positive facial expressions or gestures such as smiling and nodding. (1 mark)
- Follow-up questions, positive comments, or appreciation from the audience. (1 mark)

g) Conversation between father and Pete (4 marks)

(i) Instances of lack of etiquette by Pete (2 marks)

- Ignoring his father's polite request. (1 mark)
- Interrupting and speaking rudely or disrespectfully to his father. (1 mark)

(ii) Correcting Pete's shortcomings (2 marks)

- He should respectfully acknowledge his father's request without interrupting. (1 mark)
- He should politely lower the music volume and discuss his views calmly, respecting his father's authority. (1 mark)