



# Piriven Year End Examination - 2023 (2024)

Grade 04

05 E I

(05) English Language - Paper I

1 Hour

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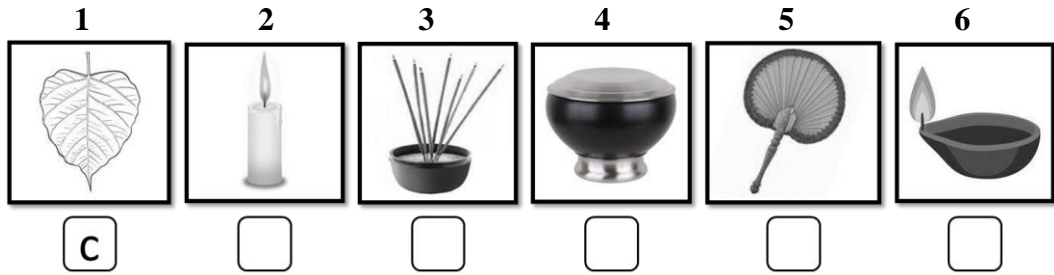
Answer all the questions on this paper itself.

## Test 01

Study these pictures and match them with their names. Write the relevant **letter** in the box provided.

One is done for you.

(05 marks)



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| a. oil lamp           | b. incense sticks |
| <del>c. Bo leaf</del> | d. palmyra fan    |
| e. candle             | f. alms bowl      |

## Test 02

Fill in the blanks of the following invitation using the words given in the box. Write the **letter** of the correct word in the space given. *One is done for you.* (05 marks)

### INVITATION

The principal, staff and students (1).....

Siri Perakum Maha Pirivena

Cordially invite

Ven. Pahalagama Nanda Thero of Siri Vinitharamaya

To be the chief guest (2).....

The Annual English Day

Which will be held (3)... **c** .... 23<sup>rd</sup> February, 2023

(4)..... 01.00 pm (5)..... 04.00 pm

(6)..... the pirivena main hall

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| a. in            |
| b. from          |
| <del>c. on</del> |
| d. of            |
| e. of            |
| f. to            |

### Test 03

Study the picture and fill in the blanks of the following paragraph using the words given in the box. Write the letter of the correct answer in the blank given. **One is done for you.** (1/2 x 10 = 5 marks)



- a. seen
- b. carrying
- c. beside
- ~~d. towards~~
- e. located
- f. compound
- g. happily
- h. excited
- i. some
- j. running
- k. huge

This is a picture of a temple. There is a monk walking (1)...**d**... the temple. He is (2)..... a bag with him. There is a dog and a cat in the (3)..... and the dog is (4)..... towards the monk (5)..... It looks (6)..... to see the monk. There is a (7)..... mango tree on one side of the compound and some mangoes can be (8)..... on the tree. There are (9)..... other creatures like butterflies and birds on the temple premises. A stupa is (10)..... between two trees (11)..... the shrine room.

### Test 04

Underline the most suitable word given within brackets to fill each blank. **One is done for you.** (05 marks)

Venerable Palitha is a novice monk who (1)..... ( *study* / *will study* / *studies* ) in our pirivena. He (2)..... ( *come* / **came** / *coming* ) to our pirivena last year and now he has (3)..... ( *become* / *became* / *becomes* ) my best friend. He has been studying Pali for five years and that is his favourite subject. (4)..... ( *Reading* / *Reads* / *Read* ) is his hobby and these days he is planning to (5)..... ( *donated* / *donating* / *donate* ) some of his books to the pirivena library. He wants to (6)..... ( *be* / *been* / *being* ) a teacher one day and he thinks teaching is a noble profession.

### Test 05

Read the text and complete the table given below. *One is done for you.*

(05 marks)

***Demalichcha*** (*The yellow-billed babbler*) is a bird endemic to Southern India and Sri Lanka. Its habitat is shrubs, cultivations and gardens. This bird is not migratory, and has short rounded wings and a weak flight. It is usually seen calling and foraging in groups. This bird has a grey brown upperpart and a grey throat. The head and nape are grey, and the eyes are bluish white.

***Demalichcha*** is found in the lowlands and hills up to about 1500m. It is a common garden bird and frequently visits urban and suburban areas. It lives in flocks of seven to ten or more. ***Demalichchas*** are very noisy birds, and they are known by the continual chattering, squeaking and chirping.

They feed mainly on insects, fruits, and food scraps. They build their nests in trees, concealed in foliage. The normal clutch is two to four blue eggs and the eggs hatch after 14 to 16 days.

Demalichcha usually lays	<i>two to four eggs</i>
Demalichcha builds its nests in	
Demalichcha is endemic to	
This bird lives in places like	
They like to eat	
Chicks come out of the eggs after	

### Test 06

You cannot go to pirivena today because you are ill. You need to borrow the English note book of your best friend today. Write a note to him / her. Use 40 – 50 words.

(05 marks)

Include:

- *how he / she should send it*
- *when you plan to return it*

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## Test 07

Read the passage and answer the questions below.

(05 marks)

Once there lived a monk named Ven. Upali in a very rural village. He had a very obedient student called Ven. Samitha. He was a novice monk who always respected his teacher and fulfilled his needs.

They went for alms around the village twice a day. The villagers eagerly waited to serve alms to these monks, but most of them were poor farmers who grew rice, millet, corn and vegetables. So, they served different food items to the monks and worshipped them respectfully.

Ven. Upali had a little library in the temple and he had a habit of reading in his spare time. The kids of the village often visited this library. These kids were also interested in learning Pali from Ven. Upali, and they usually chanted pirith with him.

I. What kind of crops did the farmers plant?

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II. What was the hobby of Ven. Upali?

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III. Why did the kids come to the temple? Give one reason.

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IV. Select the word **similar** in meaning to the underlined word.

“Once there lived a monk named Ven. Upali in a very rural village.”

(a) modern      (b) remote      (c) ancient

V. Find **opposite** words for the following words from the text.

a) never - .....

b) same - .....

**Test 08**

Write a paragraph on one of the following topics. Use 50 – 60 words.

*(05 marks)*

(a) My Favourite Book

(b) Our Pirivena English Day

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- Answer all the questions on this paper itself.

### Test 09

Read the text and **underline** the most suitable word given within brackets to complete the paragraph.  
(05 marks)

Isurumuniya temple was built by King Devanampiya Tissa (307 BC to 267 BC) who ruled in the ancient Sri Lankan capital of Anuradhapura. After 500 children of high-caste were ordained, Isurumuniya was built for ( *they / them / their* ) to reside. King Kasyapa I (473-491 AD) again renovated this viihara and named ( *it / its / it's* ) as "*Boupulvan, Kasubgiri Radmaha Vehera*". This name is derived from the names of ( *he / him / his* ) two daughters and ( *he / his / himself* ) own name. There is a viihara connected to a cave and above is a cliff. A small stupa is built on ( *it / itself / its* ).

### Test 10

Fill in the blanks with the words given in the box. (07 marks)

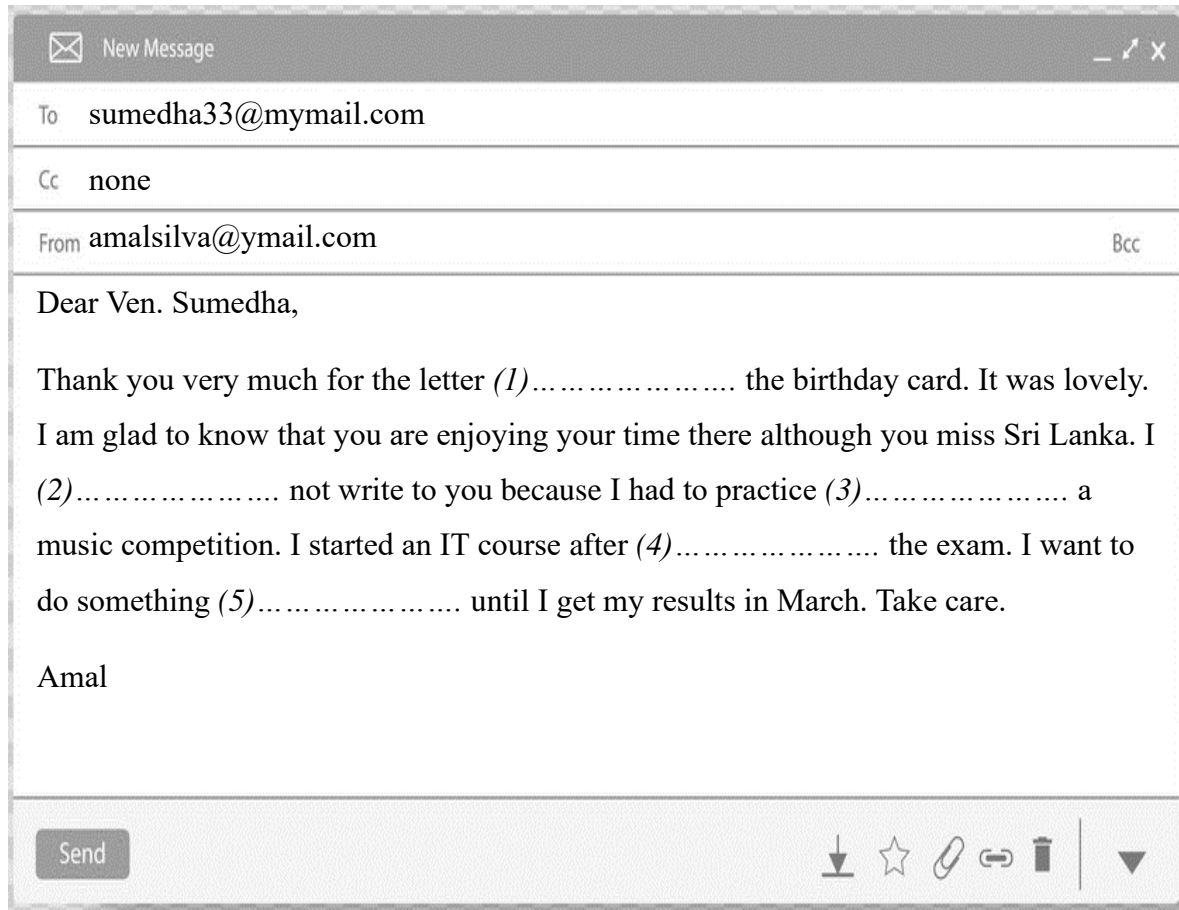
*offer completed robes religious offered merits*  
*monk activity all rainy of to season during*

*Katina Pooja* or offering of new (1)..... to Buddhist priests is a long standing (2)..... custom prevailing in (3)..... *Theravada* Buddhist countries. *Katina Cheevara* is (4)..... to Buddhist priests during the *Katina* (5)..... and in Sri Lanka *Katina* ceremonies are performed in Buddhist temples (6)..... the period from *Vap* Full Moon Poya day to *Ill* Full Moon Poya Day. In the words of Buddha this is a noble religious (7)..... for Buddhist in which limitless (8)..... are accumulated. Monks who have (9)..... the (10)..... season are entitled (11)..... receive *Katina Cheevara*. In the event of a number (12)..... monks observing *Vas* for the rainy season at the same place only one (13)..... is entitled to receive the *Katina Cheevara*. However, a single devotee can (14)..... any number of robes but at different *Katina* ceremonies.

### Test 11

Ven. Sumana is studying in the UK now and he received this email from his friend Amal in Sri Lanka. Read it carefully and fill in the blanks using the words given in the box. (05 marks)

*finishing   useful   could   for   and*



### Test 12

Write the correct form of the verb in each bank to complete the story. (05 marks)

Last Sunday morning I (1)..... (be) playing with my brother and sister in our compound. Suddenly we (2)..... (see) a group of monkeys coming towards our neighbor's house. After eating some mangoes they (3)..... (jump) onto the roof of their house. Next the leader of the group saw an open window and it went to check it. It slowly entered the house and the others also wanted to (4)..... (follow) the leader. Within a minute all of them entered the house and started (5)..... (make) lots of noise.

### Test 13

Complete the following dialogue using the utterances given in the box. Write the relevant letter of the answer in the space provided. (05 marks)

Ven. Sujatha : Is this your village temple, Arun?

Arun : Of course, Venerable Sir. But there's another temple here.

Ven. Sujatha : (1) .....

Arun : Not too far from here. It's on the other side of the river.

Ven. Sujatha : Is that an ancient temple?

Arun : (2) .....

Ven. Sujatha : That's very interesting. Who built it?

Arun : (3) .....

Ven. Sujatha : No problem. I would like to visit it one day.

Arun : (4) .....

Ven. Sujatha : Thank you. It very kind of you.

Arun : (5) .....

- a) *It's a pleasure to help you.*

b) *Actually, it's a Rajama Viharaya.*

c) *It belongs to Anuradhapura era but I have no idea about the king.*

d) *I'm very happy to take you there anytime.*

e) *Oh! Really? Where is it?*

### Test 14

Write on **one** of the following. Use around 100 words. (10 Marks)

- (a) You plan to offer a meal and some gifts to an elders' home in your area on your birthday. Write a letter to your best friend inviting him / her to join this occasion.

Include:

- when you plan to do it
- who else joins this event
- gifts you hope to give



(b) Write an information report using the information given below.

- national bird of Sri Lanka
- endemic to our country
- sound “kreeu, kreeu, kreeuu”
- male bird larger than female
- male bird 26 – 28 inch long
- female 14 inch long
- colourful and attractive feathers
- live in forests
- common in Yala, Kitulgala and Sinharaja
- eat seeds, fallen fruits and insects
- eggs cream colour
- lay two to four eggs
- eggs hatch in 20 days

### **Sri Lankan Junglefowl**

**(*Vali Kukula*)**



The national bird of Sri Lanka is .....

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## Test 15

Read the passage and answer the questions given below.

(08 marks)

*Nagadeepa Purana Vihara* is an ancient Buddhist temple situated in the Jaffna District of the Northern Province of Sri Lanka. It is among the country's sixteen holiest Buddhist shrines (*Solosmasthana*). The Gautama Buddha visited the site after five years of attaining Enlightenment to settle the dispute between two warring Naga kings, *Chulodara* and *Mahodara*.

Tamil Buddhist epic *Manimekalai* mentions a gem-studded throne and a stone with the Buddha's footprint on the island Nainativu (*Nagadeepa*) which pilgrims from India visited.

The site is known as the place where the Buddha came during his second visit to Sri Lanka, after five years of attaining Enlightenment, to settle a dispute between two Naga Kings, *Chulodara* and *Mahodara* over the possession of a gem-studded throne.

When He arrived and saw the Naga kings prepared for fighting, the Buddha used His psychic powers to appear in the sky performing miracles. This made the Nagas surprised and happy. After having listened to the Dhamma sermons displaying Buddha's masterly knowledge of unity and harmony, *metta* and compassion, the Naga kings paid homage to the Buddha with overwhelming faith. The throne was offered to him in unison and they became pious devotees.

- I. Say whether the following statements are True or False. Write 'F' for false and 'T' for true in the space provided. (1/2 x 4 = 02 marks)

- a) Nagadeepa is located in the North Central Province
- b) There was a problem between *Chulodara* and *Mahodara*
- c) *Chulodara* and *Mahodara* fought for a golden sword
- d) The Buddha could not settle the dispute


- II. The Buddha came to Nagadeepa ..... (01 marks)

1. to write down the Dhamma
2. to open a shrine
3. to unite the two Naga kings
4. to build a stupa

- III. According to the passage when did the Buddha visit Nagadeepa? (01 marks)

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IV. What did the Buddha use to perform miracles? (01 marks)

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V. Write the sentence that says the two kings became Buddhists and gave away the throne to the Buddha unitedly. (01 marks)

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VI. Find a word / phrase from the passage that is closest in meaning to each of the following.

(1/2 x 4 = 02 marks)

1. to unite : .....

2. quarrel : .....

VII. Find **opposite** words for the following from the passage.

(1/2 x 4 = 02 marks)

1. modern : .....

2. hatred : .....

### Test 16

Answer **one** of the following. Use about 150 words.

(15 marks)

(a) Write a newspaper article on '*Bodhi Pooja Ceremony*'.

Include the following:

- what a *Bohi Pooja* is
- where and why you hold a *Bohi Pooja*
- how you prepare for that
- how you hold it properly

(b) Write a speech to be delivered at the English Literary Association of your pirivena on '*A Popular City in Sri Lanka*'.

Include the following:

- the location
- what you can see and do there
- why you recommend this place
- how you can protect it for the future

(c) Write an essay on ‘*The Importance of Learning Information Technology*’.

Include the following:

- *why we learn Information Technology*
- *job opportunities in this field*
- *why learning Information Technology is important*
- *how to develop your knowledge of Information Technology*

(d) Complete the dialogue about organizing the Katina Pinkama in your village temple.

Ven. Upali : First of all, we have to fix a date for the Katina Ceremony.

Nuwan : Why not? That is the most important thing.

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