

Instructions to candidates

- (a) Confirm that this question paper has your name and the correct index number.
- (b) Sign and write the date of examination in the spaces provided above.
- (c) Answer **all** the questions in this paper.
- (d) All your answers must be written in the spaces provided in the question paper.
- (e) **This paper consists of 8 printed pages.**
- (f) **Candidates should check the question paper to ascertain that all the pages are printed as indicated and that no questions are missing.**
- (g) **Candidates must answer the questions in English.**

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Question	Maximum Score	Candidate's Score
1	20	
2	10	
3	30	
Total Score	60	



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- 1 Read the passage below and fill in each blank space with the most appropriate word. (10 marks)

Why use a thesaurus? A thesaurus is a valuable reference for improving your vocabulary.

(a) how can it be valuable to you? (b) starters, it can help you
(c) overusing any particular word, (d) making your writing more lively
and interesting. As a (e) in print, the word valuable has (f) appeared twice
in this passage. If it (g) to be used again, it (h) prove to be a little
tiresome. For (i) next use, a synonym such as "important" would, (j) be
more appealing.

- 2 (a) Read the poem below and then answer the questions that follow.

The Theoretic Turtle

The theoretic turtle started out to see the world;
He came to a stop at a liberty-pole in the middle of the road.
"Now hark, in the name of the spouting whale," the indignant turtle cried,
"Can I climb this perpendicular cliff, and get on the other side?
If I only could make a big balloon, I'd lightly over it fly;
Or a very long ladder might reach the top, though it does look fearfully high.
If a beaver were in my place, he'd gnaw a passage through with his teeth;
I can't do that, but I can dig a tunnel and pass beneath."
He was digging his tunnel, with might and main, when a dog looked down at the hole.
"The easiest way, my friend," said he, "is to walk around the pole."

By Allen Russell Wells

