



the English *VOCABULARY* and *SPELLING* Competition

BEE 5

SEMI-FINAL ROUND 2025 QUESTION PAPER

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INSTRUCTIONS FOR CANDIDATES:

- Do NOT turn over the page until instructed.
- This test is made up of 3 TASKS.
- Transfer ALL your answers in **CAPITAL LETTER** to the answer sheet provided. Answers in this question paper will not be marked.
- Dictionaries are NOT allowed.

Time allowed: 35 minutes

Total marks available: 60



Task 1 (2 Points for each correct answer)

*Task Instructions: Carefully read the text and find **TEN** misspelled words. Please make sure to use correct singular and plural forms, and past tense verbs where appropriate. Write the correct spelling on the numbered lines below. Answers can be in any order.*

An example is provided.

Mental illness is a serious condition that affects a person's thoughts, emotions, and behaviour. It can happen to anyone, regardless of age, background, or lifestyle. Common causes include long-term stress, traumatic experiences, genetic factors, or chemical imbalances in the brain. Sometimes, social issues like poverty, bullying, or family problems can also lead to mental health disorders.

There are many types of mental illness, such as depression, anxiety, bipolar disorder, and schizophrenia. The symptoms may include constant sadness, mood swings, lack of interest in daily activities, difficulty concentrating, or changes in sleep and appetite. In more severe cases, people may experience hallucinations or suicide thoughts.

If untreated, mental illness can affect relationships, work performance, and physical health. It may lead to isolation, substance abuse, or even homelessness in extreme cases. However, with proper support, therapy, and sometimes medication, many people can manage their condition and live fulfilling lives.

It is important to raise awareness and reduce stigma so that people feel safe asking for help. Mental health is just as important as physical health and should be treated with care and understanding.

Example: ILLNESS

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| 3. | _____ | 8. | _____ |
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| 5. | _____ | 10. | _____ |



Task 2 (2 Points for each correct answer)

Task Instructions: Rearrange the scrambled letters to form the correct word that matches the given definition. There are **TEN** of them.

Example:

Scrambled letters: E I R F E C

Definition: (adjective) Describes someone or something that is powerful and dangerous.

Answer: **FIERCE**

1. Scrambled letters: **M R T M C O A E E O M**

Definition: (*verb*) To remember a person by holding a ceremony or creating something special.

2. Scrambled letters: **H R M T P O A E**

Definition: (*noun*) A way of describing something by saying it is something else, to show a strong image or idea, even though it's not literally true.

3. Scrambled letters: **N P T I E M L M E**

Definition: (*verb*) To start using a plan, system, or idea and make it happen in real life.

4. Scrambled letters: **C E E U N S Q E**

Definition: (*noun*) A series of things that follow each other in a specific order.

5. Scrambled letters: **E U E I P S I R T R E Q**

Definition: (*noun*) A necessary condition that must be met before something else can happen.



6. Scrambled letters: **T G R P V I A O E R E**

Definition: (*noun*) A special right or privilege that is exclusive to a person or group.

7. Scrambled letters: **H N T I R E I**

Definition: (*verb*) To receive money, property, or traits from someone, usually after they have died.

8. Scrambled letters: **Y N G V R E O S I E T**

Definition: (*noun*) The authority of a country or state to govern itself without control from outside forces.

9. Scrambled letters: **R T A S G Y T E**

Definition: (*noun*) A carefully planned series of actions for achieving an aim.

10. Scrambled letters: **T S N I I C N R I**

Definition: (*adjective*) Belonging to something as an essential part; existing within something rather than coming from outside.

Audio Link
<https://youtu.be/uoh8IS0LzRo>



Task 3 - Listening (2 Points for each correct answer)

Task Instructions: You will hear a short recording that matches the text on your paper. Fill in the 10 missing words in the underlined gaps with the correct words you hear. Please make sure to use correct singular and plural forms, and past tense verbs where appropriate.

The recording will be played twice.

The assassination of Julius Caesar on March 15, 44 BCE, remains one of the most _____ events in Roman history, marking a decisive shift from republican _____ to imperial rule. Caesar, a highly successful general and astute political strategist, had consolidated _____ power following a series of civil wars. His appointment as dictator perpetuo (dictator for life) deeply unsettled the Roman Senate, which viewed his growing authority as a direct threat to the traditional republican ideals of shared power and _____ influence.

A group of senators, fearing the erosion of the Republic and the emergence of _____, orchestrated Caesar's assassination within the Senate chamber itself - an act they perceived as a necessary measure to restore _____ order. Ironically, rather than preserving the Republic, the assassination _____ Rome into a prolonged period of instability and conflict.

The ensuing power struggle ultimately _____ in the rise of Octavian, Caesar's adopted heir, who emerged victorious and was later known as Augustus, the first Roman Emperor. Caesar's death thus _____ not the preservation of the Republic, but the _____ transformation of Rome into an imperial state - a pivotal moment with enduring consequences for the ancient world and beyond.

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