



Government Elementary
College of Education

Sample Admission Test: English

GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS:

Total time allowed: 90 minutes

Please note: This is a sample admission test for the Government Elementary College of Education (GECE), Hussainabad.

The test is divided into three sections as follows:

1. Reading Comprehension and vocabulary – 25 marks
2. Grammar – 10 marks
3. Composition – 15 marks

Total Marks: 50

Sample Questions for each section are given below.

Section 1: Reading Comprehension and Vocabulary

Total Marks: 25

Note: This section has two reading passages.

Aeroplanes

Read the passage and answer the questions below.

Paragraph

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| A | Aeroplanes were once made of cotton, metal, and wood, but many things have changed since then. Aeroplanes improved once military and army work was found for them, which really began in 1914. The aircraft improved in structure because the plane had to be able to carry heavy weapons. |
| B | During the 1930s and the Second World War, it was possible for planes to be bigger and to fly faster, farther, and higher, as well as to carry heavier loads. Advances in aerodynamics helped engineers design ways to cut through the air smoothly. |
| C | As planes flew higher, pilots and passengers had increased difficulty breathing in the thin air at high altitudes, so pressurized cabins were invented, which made breathing easier at 30,000 feet. In addition, improved radio equipment allowed pilots to receive flight directions from the ground. Automatic pilots also came into use during the 1930s. These devices made more accurate navigation possible and helped pilots avoid becoming tired on long flights. |

D	All the major advances in aeroplane design in the 1930s went into building the Douglas DC-3. This twin-engine transport plane made its first passenger flights in 1936. It could accommodate 21 passengers and could fly smoothly at 170 mph. It soon became the main transport plane of the world's major airlines.
E	In 1958, Pan America World Airways began the first regular jet service between New York City and Paris using the American Boeing 707 jet. This was a popular airline, which made it possible for people other than the military to travel by air.
F	Aircraft have improved many times over the years, but engineers are working to design even bigger and better planes for the future, which will offer greater passenger comfort and reduce air pollution.

Question 1: This passage has six paragraphs, A – F. Which paragraph contains the following information? Write the correct letter in the boxes. The first one has been done for you.

1	<i>E</i>	A big company made air travel between America and France very easy.
2		Aeroplanes were not initially designed for military purposes.
3		People are thinking of ways to make aeroplanes more environmentally friendly.

Question 2: Use relevant synonyms for bolded words in the reading passage. Circle *the correct option* for each.

i. Aeroplanes were once made of cotton, metal, and wood, but many things have changed since then.

Choose one: substituted / evolved / deteriorated / upgradated

ii. Advances in aerodynamics helped engineers design ways to cut through the air smoothly.

Choose one: inch / float / create / penetrate

Question 3: Complete the statements below by filling in the relevant facts from the text.

- The year _____ saw structural improvements that enabled planes to carry heavy weapons
- The _____ twin-engine transport plane, built in the 1930s, revolutionized air travel by accommodating up to 21 passengers and flying smoothly at a speed of _____.

Section 2: Grammar

Total Marks: 10

Question 4: Circle the appropriate option for each of the following MCQs.

1. Generally, a lack of proper diet and exercise (**lead / leads / led / is lead**) to bad health.
2. By next month, I (**have worked / will have worked / had worked / worked**) in this company for a year.
3. The store owner thanked (**he / they / him / she**) for coming in and shopping at his store.

Section 3: Composition

Total Marks: 15

Question 5: Write a 250 – 300 word essay on ONLY ONE of the following topics. Clearly show which topic you chose.

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1. **'Grades determine a child's future'. Give and support your personal opinion.**