



**ST. NICHOLAS COLLEGE
NAXXAR BOYS' SECONDARY SCHOOL
HALF YEARLY EXAMINATIONS 2015**

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FORM 3

ENGLISH

TIME: 15 minutes

Text 1: Listen to Kevin talking about his African family and his American friend.

Hi! I'm Kevin and I am thirteen years old. I live in South Africa. My friend Danny is also thirteen years old but he lives in North America. Since I was a little baby, I have learned about the African way of life from my parents and neighbours. I know how to read and write and I can tell you all about wild animals and plants that grow in the forest behind my home. I come from a very large family. I have got fifteen brothers and sisters. I am one of the youngest children. My eldest brother is twenty-five years old and my youngest sister is three years old. I really enjoy spending time with my family and my favourite time of the day is when I prepare to go hunting for wild animals with my brothers. My friend Danny learns many things from his parents too but he also learns lots of things at school. He can also speak more than one language since he enjoys reading and travelling around the world. Danny has got a small family. He has got only one younger brother. He is different from me but we share lots of similar things too. We both love music and we have musical instruments of our own. We both enjoy playing games especially with our friends. We both like climbing, running, swimming and jumping around. We also like to learn about the people around us.

Text 2: Listen to an announcement from a puppet show presenter.

"Are you ready to clap and cheer? Are you ready for a good laugh? Then come along and look at what we've got here! Welcome dear children, boys and girls to another international puppet show! We present to you our first puppet on stage – Pulcinella, our favourite Italian puppet. As you all know, he is always dressed in white from head to toe. And here's dear Guignol all the way from France! Please give a round of applause to these two puppets! Knock, knock! Who's there? Well dear children, allow us to present to you Punch and Judy, our best loved couple! There goes Mr Punch, all nice and colourful with his crooked nose and funny looks! Come along dear children, our performance is about to begin! We are sure you are going to have a great time! Enjoy the puppet show!"



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SECTION A: LISTENING

(25 MARKS)

Text 1:

Listen to Kevin talking about his African family and his American friend.

Ex 1: Underline the correct answer:

8 marks []

1. Kevin is from South Africa and he is:

- a) fourteen years old.
- b) thirteen years old.
- c) fifteen years old.

2. Kevin knows how:

- a) to read and draw.
- b) to read and play.
- c) to read and write.

3. Kevin's youngest sister is:

- a) three years old.
- b) four years old.
- c) seven years old.

4. Danny and Kevin both love:

- a) football.
- b) painting.
- c) music.

5. Danny has got:
a) a normal family.
b) a small family.
c) a large family.
6. Kevin's home is:
a) next to a forest.
b) next to a beach.
c) next to a city.
7. Danny can speak:
a) no languages at all.
b) more than one language.
c) only one language.
8. Kevin enjoys:
a) hunting with his brothers.
b) fishing with his brothers.
c) running with his brothers.

Ex 2: Fill in the blanks with one word from the passage: 7 marks []

1. Danny is also thirteen years old but he lives in North _____.
2. Since he was a little _____, Kevin has learned about the African way of life.
3. Danny comes from a large family. He has got _____ brothers and sisters.
4. Danny, Kevin's friend learns lots of things from _____.
5. Both Kevin and Danny have got _____ instruments of their own.
6. Both Kevin and Danny like climbing, running, _____ and _____.

Text 2:

Listen to an announcement from a puppet show presenter.

Ex 1: Tick (✓) whether the following statements are TRUE or FALSE:

5 marks []

1. The puppet show is only allowed to be watched by adults.
2. The puppet– Pulcinella, is an Italian puppet.
3. Punch and Judy are great enemies.
4. The performance is about to begin.
5. Children are going to cry during the show.

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Ex 2: Underline the correct answer:

5 marks []

1. The person presenting the show is:
 - a) a camera person.
 - b) a journalist.
 - c) a puppet show presenter.

2. The children are surely going to:
 - a) scream during the show.
 - b) laugh during the show.
 - c) sing during the show.

3. Guignol is a:
 - a) puppet from America.
 - b) puppet from Malta.
 - c) puppet from France.

4. Punch has got:
 - a) a crooked nose.
 - b) a crooked finger.
 - c) a crooked leg.

5. Punch always wears:
 - a) smelly clothes.
 - b) black clothes.
 - c) colourful clothes.