ST EDWARD’S SCHOOL
OXFORD

13+ and 14+ ENTRANCE EXAMINATION
2013

ENGLISH AS AN ADDITIONAL LANGUAGE

Time: 1 hour
Section 1

Grammar (20 marks)

A. Complete the sentences. Use ONE word only.

Example: There WAS a concert at the town hall last night.

1. Do you like .............. for walks?

2. I usually go to work .................car.

3. My friend often .................. mistakes with her homework

4. The two ladies ................ lived next door were called Mary and Jean.

5. A. ................you like a cigarette?
   B: No thank you, I don’t smoke.

6. The examination was easier .............we expected.

7. They have known each other .............three years.

8. .............bicycle is that? Is it yours?

9. We’re going .............Sweden for our holidays this year.

10. How ........ water is there in the jug?

B. Put the verb in brackets into the correct form.

Example: How long HAVE YOU BEEN LEARNING English? (You/Learn)

1. I ..............home at 9 O’clock last night. (Arrive)

2. I ......................... my homework yet. (Not/Finish)

3. I......................... the door for you, if you like. (Open)

4. Look at that black cloud. I think it.........................any minute now. (Rain)
5. When I got home I found that someone ................. into my flat and stolen all my jewellery. (Break)

6. Oh dear! I think I ......................... my pen (lose)

7. I think she ......................... her driving test (just/pass)

8. John ....................... a mobile phone for his birthday by his parents (give)

9. If you ............... (tell) me the truth yesterday, I ............... (believe) you.

10. If there ............... (be) nothing good on TV tonight I ............... (go) out.
Section 2
Reading (15 marks)

OUR TRUE FRIEND THE DOLPHIN

The dog may be ‘man’s best friend’ but the sharp-eyed dolphin, with its cheery smile and intuitive intelligence, is the creature we love to love. Whether it’s delighting whale-watchers swimming playfully with scuba divers, the dolphin’s ability to delight the world of humans made it one of our favourites in the animal kingdom.

‘Like us, dolphins are great communicators,’ says Jo Clark, Conservation Officer for the Whale and Dolphin Conservation Society. They are very social, and communicate through a range of clicks, whistles and calls. Researchers say that each dolphin has its own unique whistle, which may identify it to others.’

Dolphins live in groups and work together to feed and to drive away predators. Orcas, a kind of dolphin known more commonly as killer whales, have strong family bonds and remain together in family groups called pods, which have their own individual language dialect. They are known to pass down knowledge from one generation to the next. Scientists are now suggesting that the only equivalent to the complex and stable relationships in orca groups is found in human societies.

Jo says, ‘There are many examples of dolphins forming partnerships with people. For three generations, in Laguna, Brazil, a group of bottlenosed dolphins have been working with fishermen to catch mullet. The dolphins drive the fish towards the fishermen’s nets, even signalling with a splash of their tails when the nets should be thrown.

A particularly dramatic account of dolphins protecting humans from danger was reported by a group of fishermen from South Carolina in the United States in 2001. Their boat sank 50 kilometres from the shore and they found themselves surrounded by mako, hammerhead and tiger sharks. A group of dolphins arrived and set about driving the sharks away. They remained all night and the following day, protecting the fishermen from any sharks that came near.

Witnesses have also seen dolphins saving people from drowning, when there was no apparent benefit to themselves. We’ll never know for certain why dolphins act like this at times. What we do know is that they have to protect their families from attacks by sharks, so it is possible they are acting instinctively when they help people or that they extend their concept of family to include an obviously vulnerable human.
But while dolphins display such loyal feelings towards man, the compassion is unfortunately often one way. Pollution and being drowned in fishing nets are two of the terrible dangers they face from us. Up to 10,000 dolphins and their cousins the porpoises are killed in the North Atlantic each year as a result of the fishing industry. Their habitats are destroyed and they are bombarded by noise. We even capture them and keep them in tanks, in spite of seeing what rich lives these wonderfully intelligent creatures lead in the world.

Write a summary describing:
- the ways dolphins and people are similar
- how dolphins have been known to help people
- the ways in which people threaten the survival of dolphins.

Use your own words and write 100 – 150 words.
Many people think that doing sport at school is a waste of time. What is your opinion? Consider the possible benefits as well as the disadvantages in areas such as:

- Health and fitness
- Relationships between pupils or between schools
- Enjoyment
- Financial cost
- Time

Write about 150 - 200 words.