This is a Class 3 exam

# Lebanon Evangelical School
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# Stage Exam 05
## 27APR2026

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| Subject : | English | |
| Class : | 8B, 8C, 8E | |
| Teacher : | Ms. Suzy Krouzian | |
| Duration : | 1 hour | |
| Write on a lined paper with a neat handwriting. | | |
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| Your Class : | | |
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- The most important thing to remember in taking an exam is NEVER PANIC.
- If you are caught cheating in this exam, you will be awarded zero for ALL exams that are taken on this day.

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**VERY IMPORTANT: Do not answer any of the questions on this sheet. Use a separate lined paper to answer on & staple it to the question sheet.**

**Write a narrative of your choice. Choose only ONE prompt.**

1. "The woman was walking wearily and slowly, when the thief came running and grabbed her coat…" **Include this sentence in the introduction and continue from there. (Fiction, not real)**
2. Write about an experience you have gone through in which you learned an important lesson. **(Non-fiction, real)**

**Tips for essay writing:**

**1. Write using black dry ink pen.**

**2. Make sure to follow the essay format.**

**3. Minimum transitional words 5 maximum 7.**

**Narrative Essay**
**Transitional Words**

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| At the present time | From time to time | At the same time | In due time | In the meantime | In the first place |
| Sooner or later | To begin with | Until now | As soon as | As long as | In a moment |
| Without delay | All of a sudden | At this instant | Straight Away | Meanwhile | By the time |
| Whenever | During | Immediately | Suddenly | After/later | First of all |

Conclusion

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| As can be seen | In the final analysis | As shown above | Given these points | As has been noted |
| In a word | In summary | In conclusion | In short | In any event |

# Grade 8 Essay Rubric

| Level | Mark | **AO1** Abiding by the essay instructions and all the other requirements. (12 marks)<br>**AO2** Style, creativity, and choice of vocabulary. (08marks) |
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| | **0** | Inability to abide by essay topic and requirements. |
| **Level 1** | **1 → 3** | • Limited knowledge of understanding topic.<br>• The writing is in primitive below-level language.<br>• There is no use of facts and examples in support of topic.<br>• Absence of varied relevant vocabulary, creativity, and writing style. |
| **Level 2** | **4 → 7** | • Some knowledge and understanding of topic.<br>• The writing is barely on-level language.<br>• There is little use of facts and examples in support of topic.<br>• Rare use of varied relevant vocabulary, creativity, and writing style. |
| **Level 3** | **8 → 11** | • Good knowledge and understanding of topic.<br>• The writing is in acceptable on-level language.<br>• There is some use of facts and examples in support of topic.<br>• Little use of varied relevant vocabulary, creativity, and writing style. |
| **Level 4** | **12 → 14** | • Comprehensive knowledge and understanding of topic.<br>• The writing is in good on-level language.<br>• There is fair use of facts and examples in support of topic.<br>• Good use of varied relevant vocabulary, creativity, and writing style. |
| **Level 5** | **15 → 20** | • Complete knowledge and understanding of topic.<br>• The writing is in very good above-level language.<br>• There is detailed use of facts and examples in support of topic.<br>• Very good use of varied relevant vocabulary, creativity, and writing style. |

1. **Important Notice: Slang words aren't allowed in an essay. Any slang word written, even if the same one is repeated few times, will have 0.5 points deducted from the overall mark. This is very important as we abide by Brevet marking scheme.**

2. **Since class 8 is a preparation grade for class 9, we abide by the marking scheme of an essay where 16/20 is the maximum achieved mark as is the set standard in Brevet exams.**

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Answer Key

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# The Unexpected Surprise

The woman was walking wearily and slowly, when the thief came running and grabbed her coat. From behind she looked as if she were incapable of defending herself. At that moment, the thief was trying to reach for her handbag and make a quick run out of it. He was even contemplating to take her cashmere coat with him. He had no clue of what was going to unfold soon after.

Jennifer had been visiting her daughter in one of the most crowded Harlem streets in New York. It had gone dark quickly, and before she realized it, she was out on the street in one of the darkest alleys of that area. Jennifer lived two blocks away in a skyscraper on the twentieth floor. She knew all the streets and alleys very well. She was not afraid in the least, as she had been a police officer who served the community well. She was an expert at arresting criminals, so in her mind she knew that the thief would not stand a chance of mugging her.

As soon as the thief was tugging at her bag, Jennifer suddenly turned around and kicked the man's left side with all the strength she had in her body. The thief was so astonished that he fell down onto the street with a heavy thud. Jennifer turned and stood on top of him in such a way that he could not move any of his limbs. Without delay, she called one of her former police detectives and gave him her exact location.

Ten minutes after that, the police arrived and arrested the thief who was completely dumbfounded as to what had just happened to him. How could he have known that a simple mugging would turn out to lead to his arrest. Jennifer went to the police station where her testimony was taken. The police found that the thief was a wanted criminal who had mugged many people on the streets in Harlem causing many injuries to the victims he had dragged on the streets. He was immediately jailed awaiting his court trial.

The police detective thanked Jennifer for inadvertently aiding the police in the hunt of this dangerous criminal who had been terrorizing everyone in that area. Jennifer arrived at midnight to her apartment tired but fully content that she had kept her bag and coat and rid the streets of this nasty man. She was glad that she had not lost her skills in pulling criminals down onto the street. The next day, Jennifer's daughter read about the incident in the newspaper, and was horrified to learn what her mother had gone through. She made Jennifer promise her not to walk alone that late at night anymore.