ENGLISH ENTRANCE TEST SYLLABUS

AIM: To assess the written English Language proficiency of the candidates for placement purpose in the polytechnics. By passing the test, a student is deemed to have the basic foundation in English Language to enrol in a diploma course with English as the medium of instruction.

OBJECTIVES

Candidates should be able to:

(i) Apply the use of grammatical structures correctly in a given context/passage.

(ii) Show understanding of how use of language achieves purpose and impact

(iii) Derive meaning from context and knowledge of vocabulary

(iv) Use varied sentence structures and a wide and appropriate vocabulary with clarity and precision

FORMAT

Students are given 1.5 hours to complete the test which is made up of five sections.

This includes reading time. The five sections will be set as follows:

1) Section I – Grammar (30 marks)

2) Section II – Vocabulary (30 marks)

3) Section III – Cloze Passage (10 marks)

4) Section IV – Editing (20 marks)

5) Section V – Comprehension (10 marks)

Section I consists of multiple-choice questions testing the knowledge of grammatical structures.

Section II consists of multiple-choice questions assessing vocabulary skills.

Section III consists of a cloze passage which requires students to fill in the blanks with the correct words.

Section IV comprises of two passages which require students to edit errors and to fill in the blanks with the correct words.

Section V requires students to read a text and answer multiple-choice questions related to it.