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ECZ GRADE 10 - 12 ENGLISH  
REWRITES/TRANSFORMATION (pt. 1)

*Here you will find rewrites or transformation exercises designed for passing **ECZ exams**. Most of them have been taken from actual past papers.*

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## **INSTRUCTIONS FOR ECZ REWRITES:**

In each of the following items, the first sentence is complete, but the second sentence is incomplete. Complete the second sentence, each time making it as similar as possible in meaning to the first sentence. Make the second sentence one sentence, never two.

**Tip: [You will lose marks if your sentence has incorrect punctuation.]**

# SECTION 1

The following are **2011 ECZ ENGLISH (1121) PAPER 2** questions.

Tip: [Attempt questions before looking at the answers.]

1. Q: In your place, I would ask for a transfer to another school.  
Begin: If \_\_\_\_\_  
A: If **I were you, I would have asked for a transfer to another school.**
2. Q: As we were chatting under a tree by the road side, a car nearly hit us.  
Begin: Chatting \_\_\_\_\_  
A: Chatting **under a tree by the road side, a car nearly hit us.**
3. Q: Since you have completed Grade 12, you can go to the game park for a holiday.  
Begin: Now \_\_\_\_\_  
A: Now **that you have completed Grade 12, you can go to the game park for a holiday.**
4. Q: My parents forced me to go to school.  
Begin: My parents made \_\_\_\_\_  
A: My parents made **me go to school.**

5. Q: "I don't know if my friends will come tomorrow," John said.  
Begin: John wondered \_\_\_\_\_  
A: John wondered **whether his friends would come the following day.**
6. Q: He is a cousin and a good friend of mine.  
Begin: Not only \_\_\_\_\_  
A: Not only **is he a cousin but he is also a good friend of mine.**
7. Q: It is alleged that he stole from his neighbour.  
Begin: He \_\_\_\_\_  
A: He **allegedly stole from his neighbour.**
8. Q: Both the Biology text book and the History text book were in bad shape.  
Begin: Neither \_\_\_\_\_  
A: Neither **the Biology text book nor History text book was in good shape.**
9. Q: She doesn't know the answer. That is why she is doubting.  
Begin: If \_\_\_\_\_  
A: If **she knew the answer she would not have been doubting.**
10. Q: The building seems to be on fire.  
Begin: It appears \_\_\_\_\_  
A: It appears **that the building is on fire.**

## SECTION 2

The following are **2010 ECZ ENGLISH (1121) PAPER 2** questions.

Tip: [Attempt questions before looking at the answers.]

1. Q: The snake was crossing the road when Peter killed it.  
Begin: Crossing \_\_\_\_\_  
A: Crossing **the road, the snake was killed by Peter.**
2. Q: We failed to visit you because the road was bad.  
Begin: But for \_\_\_\_\_  
A: But for **the bad road, we would have visited you.**
3. Q: The President and ten other government officials are touring our village.  
Begin: Use 'as well as' instead of 'and'.  
A: **The President, as well as ten other government officials, is touring our village.**
4. Q: Angry and proud, Joseph resolved to fight back.  
Begin: With \_\_\_\_\_  
A: With **anger and pride, Joseph resolved to fight back.**
5. Q: I only realized how dangerous the man was after meeting him.

Begin: Only \_\_\_\_\_

A: Only **after meeting the man did I realise how dangerous he was.**

6. Q: She is so intelligent that she will be selected for Grade Ten.

Begin: She is too \_\_\_\_\_

A: She is too **intelligent not to be selected for Grade Ten.**

## SECTION 3

The following are **2012 ECZ ENGLISH (1121) PAPER 2** questions.

Tip: [Attempt questions before looking at the answers.]

1. Q: Jane is more ridiculous and lazier than any other child in the family.

Begin: Jane is the \_\_\_\_\_

A: Jane is the **most ridiculous and laziest child in the family.**

2. Q: It was so shocking that she insulted her mother-in-law.

Begin: That \_\_\_\_\_

A: That **she insulted her mother-in-law was so shocking.**

3. Q: George does not greet me. Neither does Judith.

Begin: Neither \_\_\_\_\_

A: Neither **George nor Judith greets me.**

4. Q: Michael asked Namakau where her younger sister was.

Begin: “\_\_\_\_\_” asked Michael.

A: **“Namakau, where is my younger sister?”** asked Michael.

5. Q: I would rather drink water than beer.

Begin: I prefer \_\_\_\_\_

A: I prefer **water to beer.**

6. Q: The milk was bad. John threw it away.

Begin: Being \_\_\_\_\_

A: Being **bad, the milk was thrown away by John.**

7. Q: I have never thought of that at any time.

Begin: At no \_\_\_\_\_

A: At no **time have I ever thought of that.**

9. Q: You don't have to come here tomorrow.

Begin: You needn't \_\_\_\_\_

A: You needn't **come here tomorrow.**

# SECTION 4

The following are **ECZ ENGLISH** questions.

Tip: [Attempt questions before looking at the answers.]

1. Q: You are the wisest person I have ever met.

Begin: I have never \_\_\_\_\_

A: I have never **met a person as wise as you.**

2. Q: She met her brother last month by chance.

Begin: She ran \_\_\_\_\_

A: She ran **into her brother last month.**

3. Q: You should not hate your parents.

Begin: One \_\_\_\_\_

A: One **should not hate his parents.**

4. Q: No learner in the school is as clever as Mercy.

Begin: "Mercy is \_\_\_\_\_

A: Mercy is **the cleverest learner in the school.**

5. Q: The problem was very difficult. I couldn't solve it.

Begin: The problem \_\_\_\_\_

A: The problem **was too difficult to solve.**

6. Q: All the drivers have turned up.  
Begin: None \_\_\_\_\_  
A: None **of the drivers has not turned up.**
7. Q: They managed to transport their luggage to England.  
Begin: Use 'succeeded'.  
A: **They succeeded in transporting their luggage to England.**
8. Q: Kondwelani does not speak English as well as Bwalya.  
Begin: Rewrite using 'than'.  
A: **Bwalya speaks better English than Kondwelani.**
9. Q: We are very far. We can see nothing.  
Begin: We are too \_\_\_\_\_.  
A: We are too **far to see anything.**
10. Q: The maid complains that she is unfairly treated.  
Begin: The maid complains \_\_\_\_\_.  
A: The maid complains **of being unfairly treated.**

## SECTION 5

The following are **ECZ ENGLISH** questions.

Tip: [Attempt questions before looking at the answers.]

1. Q: It must be very exciting to be a pilot.

Begin: If \_\_\_\_\_

A: **If I were a pilot, I would be very excited.**

2. Q: There was very little water in the debe.

Begin: \_\_\_\_\_ any \_\_\_\_\_

A: **There was hardly any water in the debe.**

3. Q: "I can't stand rice even if it is cooked very well," said Mary.

Begin: Mary said \_\_\_\_\_

A: Mary said **that she couldn't stand rice however well it was cooked.**

4. Q: There were few people in the shop, so she was served quickly.

Begin: As \_\_\_\_\_

A: As **there were few people in the shop, she was served quickly.**

5. Q: He wrote several letters to her, but there was no reply.

Begin: Although \_\_\_\_\_

A: Although **he wrote several letters to her, she did not respond to any of them.**

6. Q: "I was not near the place all day," Ali insisted.

Begin: Ali emphatically \_\_\_\_\_

A: Ali emphatically **denied that he had been near the place all day.**

## **REFERENCES**

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