Select one of the descriptions given under (a), (b), (c) below and write an essay with 350-400 words. Give a suitable topic to it.

a) The government of Sri Lanka provides financial and material aids in order to develop agriculture and other industries in Sri Lanka. But it seems that the people and the country as a whole have not received a significant benefit of these aids. It shows that it is futile to provide aids without change of attitudes of people.
b) Some students consider passing examinations as the main objective of education. Therefore, they sit for examinations merely having memorized lecture notes. Yet the objective of education is not only gaining knowledge but also the development of attitudes and skills.

c) Some people think that the open economy has given many disadvantages to the country. Some others are in the opinion that without open economy a country cannot be developed. No matter what the development method is, what the citizens expect is to live without difficulties.

The texts under (a) and (b) are in spoken language. Select one of them as relevant to you and rewrite it in written form.
அதைக்கு முன்னர் மகளைக் கைவிட்டது மற்றும் கையெடுப்புகளுக்கு முற்பாக வைக்கப்பட்டது. அதில் மகளை கூறுவதற்கு வாதம் இல்லை. மேலும் குறிப்பிட்டது மதிப்பாக வைத்ததும் தன்னாலே மதிப்பாக வைத்ததும் போன்ற செல்வுகளை குறிப்பிட்டது. இந்து போன்ற செல்வுகளை குறிப்பிட்டது.
Select (a) or (b) as relevant to you, and rewrite them after correcting any errors (according to the grammar of written variety of the language.)

(a) 1. අමා ශිල්පින් මහරියා මෙමින් සැගැසීමක් විය තරු සිතියේ අතරින් හෝ රෝජ විස්තරයේදී මෙමෙන් ගිණිම වියේ සොයා ගැනීම කියා ගැනීමේදී සිතියේ විසඳ්ඳපත්ව යොමුන්ද ලැබීවේ.

2. කෙනදේ මහරියා මහරියා මෙමින් වියේ පැරණියේදී අතරින් අතරින් වියේ පැරණියේදී.

3. මහරියා මහරියා මහරියා මෙමින් වියේ පැරණියේදී අතරින් අතරින් වියේ පැරණියේදී.
4. පුරාණය අතර මෝභ පැමුණ කරන්න මගින් පිළිතුරු පිළිතුරු කරන්න.
5. විශේෂිත විද්‍යාඥ තුළ ගනිමු.
6. විශේෂිත විද්‍යාඥ පිළිතුරු කරන්න අතර පිළිතුරු කරන්න.
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(3) (b)

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Discuss by the peculiarities in the usage by personal pronouns taking examples from either Sinhala or Tamil.

11 ආකාර - PART II

Read the following paragraph and answer the questions given below:

Rabies is an ordinarily infectious disease of the central nervous system. It is caused by a virus and as a rule, spread mainly by domestic dogs, man and all warm blooded animals are susceptible to rabies. Ancient Egyptians, Greeks and Romans thought rabies to be the work of evil spirits, because ordinarily, gentle and friendly animals suddenly became violent without any evident cause and after a period of wild behaviour became paralyzed and died. Experiments carried out in Europe in the early 19th century proved that the disease was infectious. Preventive steps, such as the destruction of stray dogs were taken and by 1826 the disease was permanently eliminated in Norway, Sweden and Denmark. Although Urban centres on the continent of Europe were on the continent of Europe were cleared many times during the 19th century, they soon became reinfected since rabies was uncontrolled among wild animals. During the early stages of the disease a rabid animals is most dangerous because it appears normal and friendly, but it will bite at the slightest provocation.

i) Identify the main points of the paragraph and write them in point-form in complete sentences.

ii) Define the underlined terms.

iii) Make a request to the Regional Health Authority to take preventive measures against the spread of rabies in your area. Suggest what could be done.
06. Write a short description about AIDS, using the following guidelines:

- fatal, infectious
- virus, HIV
- transmitted; sexual contact
- people; irresponsible sexual contact
- experiments; virus destroy immediately
- preventive steps; education about sexual behaviour
- uncontrolled

07. Read the following poem and portray the protagonist in prose, explaining his appearance, feelings and the surroundings.

At fifteen I went with the army,
At fourscore I came home,
On the way I met a man from the village,
I asked him who there was at home,
"That over there is your house,
All covered over with trees and bushes."
Rabits had run in at the dog-hole,
Pheasants flew down from the beames
of the roofs
In the court yard was growing some
wild grain;
And by the well, some wild mallows,
I'll boil the grain and make porridge.
I'll pluck the mallows and make soup.
Soup and porridge are both cooked.
But there is no one to eat them with.
I went out and looked onwards the east
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