



**RADLEY**

2022 Scholarship Examination Paper

**Language Aptitude Test**

23 February 2022

Time allowed: 45 minutes

Do your work on this paper. There are two parts.  
Leave at least five minutes at the end to check your work.

**Dictionaries are not permitted.**

**Total marks: 30**

Have you already learnt any modern foreign or classical languages?  
If so, please state which and the length of time (e.g. Japanese, 1 year):

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## Question 1 – Esperanto

Study these phrases:

I love you	Mi amas vin
I like you	Mi ŝatas vin
You are so beautiful	Vi estas tre bela
Do you understand?	Ĉu vi komprenas?
I don't know	Mi ne scias
I can't remember	Mi ne memoras
I don't understand	Mi ne komprenas
I speak Esperanto	Mi parolas Esperanton

a) Underline the verb in each sentence above. [4 marks]

b) What do you notice about verbs in Esperanto? [3 marks]

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c) Explain how the negative form is formed. [2 marks]

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d) Explain the difference between **mi**, **vi** and **vin**.

[6 marks]

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Total for Question 1: 15 marks

## Question 2 – Cuneiform

Study this table:

Note: *š* is pronounced 'sh'. In this table, the columns **do not** match; so (A) *maru* is **not** the pronunciation of Babylonian form 1.

Pronunciation and meaning	Babylonian
(A) <i>maru</i> 'son'	1. 𒍪 𒄀
(B) <i>ruqu</i> 'distance'	2. 𒍪 𒍪 𒍪
(C) <i>qulu</i> 'silence'	3. 𒄀 𒍪 𒍪
(D) <i>lušepisamma</i> 'I will get someone to do'	4. 𒍪 𒍪 𒍪
(E) <i>ubla</i> 'she brought'	5. 𒍪 𒍪 𒍪
(F) <i>lanu</i> 'form'	6. 𒍪 𒍪
(G) <i>nubalu</i> 'chariot'	7. 𒍪 𒍪
(H) <i>balu</i> 'without'	8. 𒍪 𒍪 𒍪 𒍪 𒍪 𒍪

- a) Match up each of the **letters A to H** with the correct series of **symbols 1 to 8**.

A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H

[8 marks]

- b) Explain three observations that led you to your answers in (a).

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[3 marks]

c) Write out the following words in Cuneiform:

**šeru** ('morning')

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**qula** ('Shut up!')

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[4 marks]

Total for Question 2: 15 marks