

UNIT TEST - 1

SCHOOL NAME :

STD : XII

MARKS : 50

DATE :

I. Choose the most appropriate synonyms of the underlined words in the following sentences. (9 x 1 = 9)

1. Nicola and Jacopo were childish enough in many ways quite artless.

- a) strange b) innocent c) gentle d) wicked

2. Yet their devotion had touched me deeply.

- a) dedication b) information c) satisfaction d) vexation

II. Choose the most appropriate antonyms of the underlined words in the following sentences.

3. One night, we came upon them in the windy and deserted square.

- a) crowded b) secured c) fertile d) desolate

4. He glanced at us hopefully.

- a) positively b) desperately c) furiously d) confidently

5. Form a derivative by adding the right prefix to the word 'patient'.

- a) im_____ b) un_____ c) dis_____ d) em_____

6. Fill in the blanks with suitable homophones.

The cars were _____ in the traffic jam. (stationary / stationery)

7. Form a new word by adding a suitable suffix to the word 'manage'.

- a) _____ous b) _____ity c) _____ment d) _____al

8. Fill in the blanks using a suitable modal verb.

You _____ *drive carefully on the highway.*

- a) would b) should c) might d) could

9. Fill in the blanks using a suitable semi modal verb.

I _____ *not go out in the dark.*

- a) ought to b) need c) used to d) dare

PART - II - SECTION - 1

Read the following sets of Poetic lines and answer any four sets.

(4 x 2 = 8)

10. *"All through that summer at ease we lay*

And daily from the turret wall"

- a) Who does 'we' refer to?
b) How did the soldiers spend the summer days?

11. *"Oh then our maze of tunneled stone*

Grew thin and treacherous as air"

- a) Bring out the contrast in the first two lines?
b) Identify the poem and poet name.

12. *"Our gates were strong, our walls were thick*

So smooth and high, no man could win"

- a) How safe was the castle?
b) What was the firm belief of the soldiers?

13. *"We could do nothing, being sold"*

- a) Why couldn't they do anything?
b) Why did they feel helpless?

14. *"A foothold there, no clever trick*

Could take us dead or quick

Only a bird could have got in"

- a) What was challenging?
 b) Which aspect of the castle's strength is conveyed by the above lines?
15. **“How can this shameful tale be told?”**

I will maintain until my death”

- a) What do you mean by 'shameful tale'? b) Who is referred as 'I' here?

SECTION - 2

Do as directed.

16. **Report the following dialogue.** (1 x 2 = 2)

Teacher : Why are you late?

Divya : I missed the bus.

17. **Fill in the blanks with the correct form of the verbs given in the brackets.** (2 x 1 = 2)

a) I was angry that I _____(make) such a mistake.

b) We _____(see) a wonderful film at the cinema last night.

PART - III - SECTION - 1

- Explain any one of the following with reference to the context.** (1 x 3 = 3)

18. “ They seemed no threat to us at all”

19. “ Our only enemy was gold”

SECTION - 2

- Answer any two of the following questions in not more than 30 words.** (2 x 3 = 6)

20. What were the various jobs undertaken by Nicola and Jacopo.

21. Why did the author avoid going to Lucia's room?

22. How did the narrator help the boys on Sunday?

PART - IV

23. **Answer the following in a paragraph of about 150 words.** (4 x 5 = 20)

(a) Justify the title of the story “Two Gentlemen of Verona”. **(or)**

(b) What was the driving force that made the boys do various jobs?

24. **Answer the following in a paragraph of about 150 words.**

(a) ‘Human greed led to the mighty fall of the citadel -Explain. **(or)**

(b) Bring out the message of the poem ‘The Castle’.

25. **Answer the following in a paragraph of about 150 words by developing the hints.**

(a) Aksionov - Vladimir - bade good bye - wife had a bad dream - charged with murdering a merchant - driven to Siberia - Makar semyonich confessed - Aksionov was already dead - order for his release. **(or)**

(b) Aksionov - imprisoned - murder not committed by him - 26 years in prison - hair turned grey - lean and thin - pray to God - called ‘Saint’ by jail mates - lived peacefully - died peacefully.

26. (a) You had been to your Grandma's house during the summer holidays. You enjoyed your stay in her company. Write a letter to your Grandma stating how much you miss her after returning to your home. **(or)**

(b) Write a letter to the Headmaster of your school requesting him to help you obtain a duplicate mark sheet of class XII, which you lost while travelling

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