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Tenkasi District Common Examinations
Common First Mid Term Test - 2022



Standard 10

ENGLISH

Time: 1.30 Hrs.

Marks: 50

Answer the following questions.

I. Choose the appropriate synonyms for the underlined in the sentence:

10×1=10

- 1) The little seagull even gnawed at the dried piece of eggshell.
a) chewed b) cackled c) swallowed d) craved
- 2) The mother seagull swooped upwards.
a) leap b) rush
c) move very quickly d) ascend
- 3) Nothing he said Gruffly.
a) gently b) rudely c) mild d) happily

Choose the appropriate antonyms for the underlined words in the sentence:

- 4) She screamed back Mockingly.
a) disrespectfully b) ridiculosly c) respectfully d) happily
- 5) His family was screaming and praising him.
a) whispering b) shouting c) applauding d) crying
- 6) His older brother catch his first herring and devour it.
a) spit b) eating c) engulf d) blunt
- 7) **Choose the correct plural form of syllabus from the following:**
a) syllabuses b) syllabi c) syllabus
- 8) **Fill in the blank by choosing the most appropriate prepositional phrase from the given options:**
_____ several warnings, he continued to swim.
a) Result of b) In spite of c) In case of d) Due to
- 9) **Fill in the blank with the most appropriate article:**
Raja is _____ MLA.
a) an b) a c) the d) none
- 10) **Fill in the blank with the most appropriate modal given below:**
You _____ buy this book. It is worth buying.
a) can b) might c) should

II. Answer ANY ONE of the following:

1×2=2

- 11) Who were the narrator's neighbour's?
- 12) Did the mother bird offer any food to the young bird?

III. Read the following sets of poetic lines and answer ANY TWO of the following:

2×2=4

13) **Let me but live my life from year to year
With forward face and unreluctant soul.**

- a) Whom does the word 'me' refer to?
- b) What kind of life does the poet to lead?

14) **In the dim past nor holding back in fear
From what the future veils: but which a whole**

- a) What does the poet mean by the phrase 'in the dim past'?
- b) Is the poet afraid of future?

15) **And whether their station be high or humble
They are all known by the name of Grumbles.**

- a) How are they known?
- b) What does station refer to?

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IV. Answer ANY TWO of the following:

2x2=4

- 16) **Read the following sentence and change the form of the underlined word as directed:**

The successful flight of the bird was a proud moment for the seagull's family [to verb]

- 17) **Rewrite the following sentence to the other voice:**

The salesman answered all the questions patiently.

- 18) **Rearrange the words in the correct order to make meaningful sentence:**

a) carefully / cross / rods / the busy

b) to the elders / politely / you / may / speak

V Answer ANY ONE of the following:

1x5=5

- 19) Explain the experience of the young seagull in "His first flight" written by Liam O' Flaherty.

- 20) Describe the funny incident that caused the confusion in the house

1x5=5

VI. Answer ANY ONE of the following:

- 21) How does the poet Henry Van Dyke lead his life?

- 22) Write a paragraph on 'The Grumble family'.

VII. Answer ANY TWO of the following questions:

2x5=10

- 23) **Prepare an attractive advertisement using the hints given below:**

VJN book shop - more than 2000 books - 10% Discount for students
collection of rare books - main road, No. 03 Chennai.

- 24) You are the school pupil leader. You have been asked to write a report on the inaugural ceremony of English Literary Association of your school which was held recently. Write a report on the same in not more than 120 words.

- 25) **Make notes or write a summary of the following passage:**

No study of English can be completed without a reference dictionary of idioms. A very useful and easily available reference material is The Collins Dictionary of English Idioms. This dictionary contains clearly explained meanings of over three thousand common English idioms. To make the meaning even clear, and to show you how the idiom can be used, each idiom is provided with a suitable sample sentence. In this dictionary, the emphasis is on 'true' idioms. These are expressions whose meanings cannot be easily worked out from the words they contain. The dictionary also provides a great many variations in the way these idioms are used. The main emphasis however is on providing an understanding of the meaning of the idioms, rather than attempting to be a complete guide to idiomatic usage.

VIII. Answer the following:

- 26) **Quote from memory:**

1x5=5

So let the quest.

IX. Answer ANY ONE of the following:

- 27) **Write a paragraph about 150 words by developing hints:**

1x5=5

Prospero - Duke of Milan - brother Antonio - Usurped - Magic power - wrecks his enmitieship - wanted Miranda - married to Ferdinand forgave all.

(OR)

Dr. Ashok T. Krishnan - Zigzag Somu's pet - children happy - bird can talk - sing - Zigzag unmoved - snoring - neighbours complaining - Zigzag in the clinic - strange genius.
