

# FIRST MID TERM TEST - 2022

## ENGLISH

12 - STD

Time : 1.30 Hrs

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Marks : 50

### SECTION - A (LEXICAL COMPETENCIES)

**I A. Choose the correct synonyms for the italicized words from the options given below.**

15 X 1 = 15

1. .... beside the fountain in the public square, doing **brisk** business...  
a) action                      ☒ b) active                      c) inactive                      d) deactivate
2. There is also the **mysterious** social etiquette.  
a) comprehensible                      ☒ b) incomprehensible  
c) both a and b                      d) neither a nor b
3. This is **curious** not only because tea is one of the mainstays of civilization .....  
a) eager                      ☒ b) interesting                      c) uninteresting                      d) indifferent

**B. Choose the correct antonyms for the italicized words from the options given below.**

4. He glanced at **hopefully**.  
a) confidently                      b) faithfully                      c) loyally                      ☒ d) desperately
5. They brought her here, **persuaded** us to take her.  
a) convinced                      b) managed                      ☒ c) dissuaded                      d) perplexed
6. China tea has virtues which are not to be **despised** nowadays.  
☒ a) liked                      b) condemned                      c) hated                      d) appreciated
7. Choose the suitable prefix for the root word '**friend**'  
☒ a) be                      c) un                      ☒ d) both a and b                      d) neither a nor b
8. Choose the suitable suffix for the root word '**resemble**'.  
a) - tion                      b) - sion                      ☒ c) - ance                      d) - ment
9. **Choose the appropriate phrasal verb for the underlined words.**  
We should not **depend** on market guides.  
a) bank in                      ☒ b) bank on                      c) bank off                      d) bank out
10. **Fill in with suitable tense form for the verb given in brackets.**  
England ~~was defeated~~ (**defeat**) by India in the first one day match.
11. **Choose the correct modal auxiliary verb.**  
You ..... answer all the questions.  
a) may                      b) might                      ☒ c) should                      d) will
12. **Fill in the suitable Semi modal verb :**  
I ~~used to~~ ..... play Hockey when I was a boy.
13. **Fill in the suitable preposition.**  
~~Before~~ ..... eating, we should clean our hands.

14. **Fill in with suitable prepositional phrase.**

*In case of* rain, take an umbrella.

15. **Fill in with suitable linker.**

*Though* he committed a mistake, he apologized for it.

**II Answer the following questions in about 50 words each.**

2 X 3 = 6

16. Why didn't the boys spend much on clothes and food?

17. Does the author like drinking tea without sugar? Give reasons.

**III Read the following sets of poetic lines and answer the questions that follow.**

2 X 2 = 4

18. *All through the summer at ease we lay  
And daily from the turret wall*

- a) Who does 'we' refer to? *The soldiers*  
b) What do you mean by 'turret'? *small openings*

19. *Oh, then our maze of tunneled stone  
Grew thin and treacherous as air  
The castle was lost without a groan  
The famous citadel overthrown*

- a) Mention the figure of speech for the second line. *Metaphor*  
b) Pick out the rhyming words from the above stanza. *stone, groan, overthrown*

**IV Explain with reference to the context.**

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20. Our only enemy was gold.

**V Answer the following in about 150 words.**

3 X 5 = 15

21. Justify the title of the story "Two Gentlemen of Verona". **(OR)**

Write the eleven gold rules of preparing a nice cup of tea as framed by George Orwell.

22. Critically comment on the poem "The Castle".

23. Forgiveness is the best form of revenge. Substantiate the statement with the reference to the story.

**VI Rewrite into other speech.**

24. "Can I help you, Mum?", Pallavi said. *that she could help her Mum.*

**VII Answer the following.**

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You had been to your Grandparents' house during vacation. You enjoyed a lot there. Now you returned to your house. Write a letter to your grandfather stating how much you miss him after returning to your house.