

FIRST MID - TERM TEST - 2022

Standard - X
ENGLISH

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Marks: 50

Time: 1.30 hrs.

PART - I

Answer all the questions.

10×1=10

Choose the appropriate synonyms of the italicized words from the options given below.

- The young seagull even *gnawed* at the dried pieces of eggshell.
a) ignored b) chewed c) pecked d) condensed
- The reporter was a *wispy* man.
a) sturdy b) tactful c) scrupulous d) thin
- The ledge ended in a *sheer* fall of precipice.
a) complete b) sloppy c) frigid d) dense

Choose the appropriate antonyms of the italicized words from the options given below.

- The soldiers had to *retreat* hastily from the battlefield.
a) withdraw b) go back c) advance d) abandon
- The *indignant* old man was the narrator's grandfather.
a) arrogant b) lavish c) peaceful d) scornful
- He wanted to scrap his beak now and again to *whet* it.
a) refresh b) blunt c) beautify d) captivate
- Rewrite the following sentence by changing the underlined word as directed:
The depth of his knowledge impressed me. (to adjective)
- _____ we go home? (Complete the sentence using the appropriate modal)
- What is the plural form of the word 'knife'?
a) knives b) knlfe c) knives
- Complete the following sentence by choosing the most appropriate prepositional phrase from the options given below.
She gets on with everyone _____ age and gender.
a) In spite of b) Irrespective of c) due to

PART - II

SECTION - I

Answer any two of the following questions:

2×2=4

- Why do you think Mrs. Bodwell wanted to sell the house?
- What prompted the young seagull to fly finally?
- What conclusion did the narrator's grandfather jump to, when he saw the cops?

SECTION - II

Read the following sets of poetic lines and answer the questions:

2×2=4

- They growl at that and they growl at this ;
What ever comes, there is something amiss;

- a) Why do they find everything amiss?
 b) What does the word 'growl' mean here?
15. Not hurrying to, nor turning from the goal
 Not mourning for the things that disappear
 a) Does the poet hurry to reach his goal?
 b) What should one not mourn for?

SECTION - III

Answer the following:

16. Rewrite the following sentence into other voice.
 I have been asked to pay the fine.
17. Punctuate the following sentence:
 great hit indeed

2x2=4

PART - III
SECTION - I

Answer the following paragraph:

18. Describe the struggles underwent by the young seagull to overcome its fear of flying.

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SECTION - II

Read the following poetic lines and answer the questions that follow:

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19. The weather is always too hot or cold;
 Summer and winter alike they scold.
 Nothing goes right with the folks you meet
 Down on that gloomy Complaining Street.
- a) What is the rhyming words used in the given lines?
 b) What is the figure of speech employed in the last line?
 c) Pick out the words that alliterate in the second line.
 d) What is the rhyme scheme used in the lines mentioned above?

PART - IV

20. Prepare an attractive advertisement using the information given below: 5
 Selling plot -- 50 cents area -- moderate price -- clear document -- near Alagar Kovil -- contact -- S. Manickam, near railway station -- Madurai.

21. Quote from memory: 5
 O'er rough or will be the best.

22. Write a paragraph about 150 words by developing the following hints: 8
 Zigzag - Somu's pet - can talk - sing - unmoved in Dr. Krishnan's houses - sulking - snoring - neighbours complaining - Mrs. Krishnan's master piece spoiled - her anger to shoot the bird - Zigzag saved by telephone bells - Somu's e-mail - Zigzag in the clinic - great help to Dr. Krishnan.
