

Ramanathapuram District

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SECOND MID TERM TEST, NOVEMBER - 2019 STANDARD - XI

Time : 1.30 hrs

ENGLISH

Marks: 50

Part - I

I. Answer all the questions.

Write the correct answers along with the corresponding option codes. $8 \times 1 = 8$

Choose the correct synonyms for the underlined words from the options given.

- 1) I realized that a career of rectitude sometimes has rewards.
a) cheating b) honesty c) mischief d) tragedy
- 2) Being a citizen of a democracy is a task which demands patience and perseverance
a) hope b) confidence c) continued effort d) responsibility

Choose the correct antonyms for the underlined words from the options given.

- 3) The role of the university today is not cloistered
a) unrestrained b) confined c) restricted d) common
- 4) There was no guile or evil in them
a) cunning b) naive c) deceit d) duplicity
- 5) Choose the suitable meaning for the idiom used in the following sentence.
The boy unfortunately got into a tight corner
a) difficult situation b) crowded corner c) tragic incident d) fierce fight
- 6) Choose the suitable meaning for the phrasal verb used in the following sentence.
My father always stands for truth and honesty
a) against b) collide c) postpone d) represent
- 7) Choose the right definition for the term 'heroism'
a) Love of country b) serious examination and judgement
c) Exceptional courage when facing danger
d) Habitual failure to be present at work
- 8) Choose the correct semantic field for the following sentence.
He is a specialist in Clinical Psychology.
a) Music b) Medicine c) Agriculture d) Computer

II. Answer any four of the following:-

4×2=8

i] Read the following sets of poetic lines and answer any two of the following:

2×2=4

9) There never was a Cat of such deceitfulness and suavity

a) Which cat is being talked of here?

b) How is he different from the rest?

10) Defeat we repel, courage our fort

a) How do we react to defeat?

b) Which is considered as our stronghold?

11) The ones that are true and stand on their own

Are really the ladder for the raise of Man

a) Who can raise mankind?

b) Identify the figure of speech in the second line.

ii] Do as directed (any two)

2×2=4

12) The old woman said to the stranger, "Please help me to cross the road".

(Change into Indirect Speech)

13) If he had taken the necessary precautions, he would not have been injured.

(Begin the sentence with 'had')

14) Though he won the first prize, he was not satisfied.

(Change into simple sentence)

Part - III

III. Answer any three of the following:-

3×3=9

i] Explain any one of the following with reference to context:-

1×3=3

15) He's the bafflement of Scotland Yard.

16) Honour is a property common to all.

ii] Answer any one of the following briefly:-

1×3=3

17) What is the difference between a physical and a mental tight corner?

18) How can a graduate give back to his/her society?

iii] Answer any one of the following:-

1×3=3

19) Frame a dialogue of minimum three exchanges between two friends about the cricket match they watched recently.

20) Complete the proverbs choosing the correct words from the options given:

a) _____ rush in, where angels fear to tread. (Fools, devils, Gods)

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- b) _____ maketh a complete man. (Playing, Reading, Eating)
c) _____ is the mother of invention. (Inspiration, Creativity, Necessity)

Part - IV

IV. Answer all the questions:-

5×5=25

- 21) Answer any one of the following in a paragraph of about 150 words:-
a) Explain how the narrator got out of the tight corner that he was in.
b) According to Arignar Annadurai, how do universities mould students apart from imparting academic education to them?
- 22) Answer any one of the following in a paragraph of about 150 words:-
a) Describe the appearance and qualities of Macavity.
b) What is success, according to the speakers of the poem "Everest is not the only Peak"?
- 23) Write a paragraph of about 150 words by developing the following hints:
Miss Meadows - music teacher - very gloomy in class - taxes students - reason for despair - a letter from Basil - cancels marriage - later - receives telegram from Basil - happy news - mood changes immediately - cheerful in class.

[or]

Narrator - goes - photo studio - photographer - criticizes - narrator - angry and hurt - goes on saturday - to get photo - Photo - highly edited - Narrator - frustrated - leaves the place in tears.

- 24) Respond to the following advertisement with a BIO-DATA
(Write xxx for name and yyy for address)

WANTED
SALES MANAGER
Graduate with a minimum of 5 years experience. Must be bold and confident with good communication, skills, salary is negotiable. Apply with your resume to
SS Group of Companies
Chennai - 600 013

[or]

Write a paragraph on "My favourite book" or
"My future contributions to my family and society"

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25) Write a summary or make notes of the following passage:-

Our home planet Earth is a rocky, terrestrial planet. It has a solid and active surface with mountains, valleys, canyons, plains and so much more. Earth is special, because it is an ocean planet with 70% water. Our atmosphere is also unique with many gases, mostly nitrogen and oxygen. It also protects us from incoming meteoroids and harmful rays. It is the only planet in our solar system that supports life. Yet, we, human beings, one of the species on Earth, are making our Home uninhabitable to ourselves and other millions of species. Though many reasons can be scientifically attributed to the damages inflicted on Earth, all major causes trickle down to our utter callousness, greed and selfishness. It is high time that we realize Chief Seattle's words, "The Earth does not belong to us; we belong to the Earth". We must wake up from the slumber of insensitivity and try to protect us and other living species, before it is too late.

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1. b) honesty
2. c) continued effort
3. a) unstrained
4. b) naive
5. a) difficult situation
6. d) represent
7. c) exceptional courage when facing danger
8. b) medicine
9. a) Macavity b) He is full of deceitfulness and suavity
10. a) We should fight against defeat and keep it away from us. b) courage and bravery
11. a) self defending people / self – reliance people b) metaphor
12. The old woman requested the stranger to help her to cross the road.
13. Had he taken the necessary Precautions , he would not have been injured.
14. In spite of / Despite his winning the first prize, he was not satisfied.
20. a) Fools b) reading c) necessity

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