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KSJ 10th ENGLISH HALF YEARLY EXAM - 2022

	Time Allowed: 3.00 Hours	S	PART - I	Maximum Marks: 100
A	Answer all the questions:			
Choose the appropriate synonyms for the italicized words.			ed words.	14x1=14
1.	The young seagull's siblings were <i>beckoning</i> to him and calling shrilly.			
	a) gesturing	b) resting	c) relaxing	d) working
2.	My contention was to make sure that we go by the rules.			
	a) compliment	b) endorsement	c) strenuous effort	d) agreement
3.	It was the <i>gaunt</i> face staring	from the bed.		
	a) healthy	b) lean	c) husky	d) hale
(Choose the appropriate anto	nyms for the italicize	d words.	
4.	. His voice <i>trembled</i> with emotion.			
	a) shivered	b) steadied	c) shook	d) pulsed
5.	. One can control the computer screen with a <i>gaze</i> .			
	a) stare	b) trace	c) look	d) blink
6.	We <i>remained</i> silent.			
	a) waited	b) continued	c) stayed	d) stopped
7.	Choose the correct plural for	m of 'aquarium ' fror	n the following.	
	a) aquariums	b) aquarion	c) aquaria	d) aquarium
8.	Form a derivative by adding	the right prefix to a w	ord '-relevant'.	
	a) un	b) im	c) il	d) ir
9.	Choose the correct expansion	n of the acronym 'INT	TERNET'.	
	a) International Network	(b) Indian Network	c) Interlink Network	d) Intermediate Network
10	Complete the following sentence with the most appropriate phrasal verb given below.			
	They their new edit	tion of books.		
	a) brought to	b) brought out	c) brought in	d) brought up
11	. Choose the suitable option t	o pair it with the word	l 'break' to form a comp	ound word.
	a) night	b) evening	c) morning	d) day
12	Fill in the blank with the most appropriate phrase preposition given below.			
	The parents must be informed any indiscipline conduct of their wards.			
	a) in spite of	b) in case of	c) because of	d) instead of
13	. Complete the following sent	•	propriate tense form of the	he verb given below.
	I by this time yeste	rday.		
	a) sings	b) sing	c) were singing	d) was singing
14	. Choose the most appropriate			
	Both the minister		I the affected area.	
	a) when	b) or	c) and	d) though
			SECTION - 1 (Prose)	
	Answer any THREE of the following questions in a sentence or two. 3x2=6 15. What prompted the young seagull to fly finally? 16. Why did Herman and the author slam the doors? 17. Who is Mr. Culverton Smith?			
	18 . Which software helps A	disha to overcome her	difficulty in typing?	

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SECTION - 2 (Poetry)

Read the following sets of poetic lines and answer any THREE of the following. 3x2=6

19. Let us learn to walk with a smile and a song,

No matter if things do sometimes go wrong;

- a) What does the poet expect everyone to learn?
- b) What should we do when things go wrong sometimes?
- **20.** Don't ever try to saw her pride, her self respect.

She knows how to thaw you, saw you – so beware!

- a) What do the words 'thaw' and 'saw' mean here?
- b) What is the tone of the author?
- 21. Began to complain when he found that, at home,

His cupboard was empty, and winter was come.

a) Who does 'he' refer to?

- b) Why was his cupboard empty?
- 22. Not in the winter, spring, summer or fall

It just sits there never getting small or ever growing tall

a) What does 'it' refer to?

b) In what way the tree is a mystery?

SECTION - 3 (Grammar)

Answer any THREE of the following questions.

3x2=6

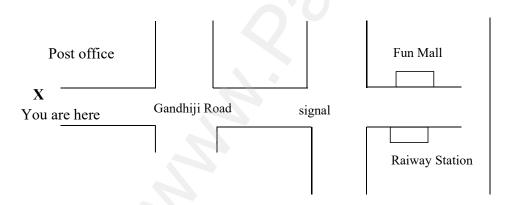
- 23. Rewrite the following sentence into other voice. They are painting the doors and windows.
- 24. Change into the indirect speech. The teacher said to the students, "Don't make noise in the class".
- 25. Punctuate the following sentence. be not so amazed daughter miranda said prospero
- 26. Change the following sentence into a complex sentence. She is too weak to walk fast.
- 27. Rearrange the words into the correct order to make meaningful sentences.
 - a) speaks / Ruben / besides / German / languages / two b) as / I / healthy / are / you / am / as

SECTION - 4 (Writing) Compulsory

Answer the following question.

1x2 = 2

28. A stranger wants to go to the railway station. Write the steps to guide him to reach his destination.



PART – III SECTION - 1 (Prose)

Answer any TWO of the following in utmost 10 lines.

2x5=10

- 29. Describe the struggles underwent by the young seagull to overcome its fear of flying.
- 30. Highlight the factors responsible for the all Women Indian Navy crew to carry out their expedition.
- **31**. 'Technology is a boon to the disabled'. Justify.
- 32. How did Holmes trap Mr. Culverton Smith to confess the murder?

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SECTION - 2 (Poetry)

Answer any TWO of the following in utmost 10 lines.

2x5 = 10

- 33. What qualities have made women powerful?
- **34**. What is the central theme of the poem 'No men are foreign'?
- 35. Read the following poetic stanza and answer the questions given below.

It sat alone.

What happened there is still unknown,

It is a very mysterious place,

And inside you can tell it has a ton of space,

But at the same time it is bare to the bone.

- i) Pick out the rhyming words from the above lines.
- ii) Write the rhyme scheme of the given stanza.
- iii) What is the figure of speech used in the first line?
- iv) Pick out the alliterating words in the last line.

36. Paraphrase the following stanza.

Some water, coal, and oil is all we ask,

And a thousandth of an inch to give us play:

And now, if you will set us to our task,

We will serve you four and twenty hours a day!

SECTION - 3 (Supplementary)

Answer any ONE of the following.

1x5 = 5

37. Rearrange the following sentences in coherent order.

- a. Ariel was instructed to bring Ferdinand, the prince of Naples to his cave.
- b. He raised a violent storm in the sea to wreck the ship of his enemies.
- c. Using his powers, Prospero released the good spirits from large bodies of trees.
- d. Prospero and Miranda came to an island and lived in a cave.
- e. He ordered Ariel to torment the inmates of the ship.

38. Read the following passage and answer the questions that follow.

Many years ago there lived in Holland a boy named Peter. Peter's father was one of the men who tended the gates in the dikes, called sluices. He opened and closed the sluices so that ships could pass out of Holland's canals into the great sea. One afternoon in the early fall, when Peter was eight years old, his mother called him from his play. "Come, Peter," she said. "I want you to go across the dike and take these cakes to your friend, the blind man. If you go quickly, and do not stop to play, you will be home again before dark." The little boy was glad to go on such an errand, and started off with a light heart. He stayed with the poor blind man a little while to tell him about his walk along the dike and about the sun and the flowers and the ships far out at sea. Then he remembered his mother's wish that he should return before dark and, bidding his friend goodbye, he set out for home.

Questions:

- a) What was the work done by Peter's father?
- **b)** How old was Peter and who was his friend?
- c) What was the job given to Peter by his mother?
- d) How did Peter spend his time with his blind friend?
- e) What did Peter remember while talking with his friend?

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SECTION - 4 (Writing)

Answer any FOUR of the following.

4x5 = 20

- **39**. Prepare an attractive advertisement using the hints given below.

 RKP Book Shop –Collection of rare books 10 % discount for students Story books Newspaper and Magazines Stationery products Main Road, Vallam, Thanjavur.
- **40**. You are Keerthi / Kiran. Write a letter to the manager of a famous daily, ordering subscription for your school library.
- **41**. You are Rahul/Rashmi, School Pupil leader of your school. Prepare a notice on behalf of your school inviting mothers of the students to celebrate 'Mother's Day' in your school auditorium on the 20th of next month.
- 42. Look at the following picture and express your views on it in a paragraph of five sentences.



43. Make notes or write a summary of the following passage.

The distribution of forests among different districts of the state is very uneven. The concentration of forests is mostly in the hills of western districts and in the Javadi group of hills in Vellore district. Dense forests are also seen in Salem district. More than half of the area in the Nilgiris is under forest. Other districts hold 1% to 5% of area under forests. Thanjavur being the alluvial plain is suitable for agriculture which has less than 1% of forest cover. The forests of Tamil Nadu have different types of trees. Most of the trees in the state shed their leaves in the dry season. Tamil Nadu has large areas of sandal wood plantations, about 5,88,000 hectares. Hard wood trees are available in the forests of Coimbatore, Nilgiris and Kanyakumari. Trees that are used as fuel are found in Madurai, Coimbatore and Thanjavur districts. Kanyakumari district has rubber plantations.

44. Identifythe errors in the following sentences and rewrite them correctly.

- a. My son is fond to music.
- b. I prefer coffee than tea.
- c. I am waiting for you since morning.
- d. My uncle is richest man in the village.
- e. Though he is rich but he is unhappy.

SECTION - 5 Memoriter (Compulsory)

45. Quote from memory.

1x5=5

From: Not mourningTo: with cheer.

PART - IV (Supplementary)

46. Write a paragraph of about 150 words by developing the following hints. 2x8= 16

- a. Somu Zigzag Dr. Krishnan's House spoke and sang twenty one languages never spoke fed with fruits slices and nuts the bird chandelier ceiling fan started snoring unable to bear decided to return maid Lakshmi stitched fan fruit juice spread Mrs. Krishnan's painting bird spoke bored at. (OR)
- **b.** Poor farmer happy and peaceful aged mother shining governor death of all aged farmer mother mountain little food brought her back kitchen order rope of ashes twisted ashes governor amazed mother's wit abolished law.

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47. a. Read the following paragraph and answer the questions given below.

Tourists to Jammu and Kashmir have another attraction – a floating post office on the Dal Lake in Srinagar, the first in the country. 'Floating Post Office, Dal Lake – claimed to be the only one such post office in the world – is built on an intricately carved maroon houseboat, fastened on the western edge of the Dal Lake. This post office lets you avail of all the regular postal services available in the country while being afloat. The seal used on everything posted from Floating Post Office is unique – along with the date and address. It bears the design of a boatman rowing a Shikara on the Dal Lake. The special feature of this post office is that letters posted from here carry a special design which has the picturesque scenery of Dal Lake and Srinagar city. These pictures reach wherever these letters are posted to and hence promote Kashmir as a tourist destination across the world. This is actually a heritage post office that has existed since British times. It was called Nehru Park Post Office before 2011. But after that the chief postmaster John Samuel renamed it as 'Floating Post Office'.

Oustions:

- i) Which lake is mentiond in the passage?
- ii) Where is 'Floating post office' situated?
- iii) How was the post office called before 2011?
- iv) Who renamed it as 'Floating Post Office'? (OR)

b. Read the following poem and answer the questions given below.

Mirror

I am silver and exact. I have no preconceptions
Whatever I see I swallow immediately
Just as it is, unmisted by love or dislike.
I am not cruel, only truthful,

The eye of little god, four-cornered.

Most of the time I meditate on the opposite wall.

It is pink, with speckles. I have looked at it so long

I think it is part of my heart. But it -flickers.

Faces and darkness separate us over and over.

Now I am a lake. A woman bends over me,

Searching my reaches for what she really is.

Then she turns to those liars, the candle and the moon.

I see her back, reflect it faithfully.

She rewards me with tears and an agitation of hands.

I am important to her. She comes and goes.

Each morning it is her face that replaces the darkness.

In me she has drowned a young girl and in me an old woman.

Rises toward her day after day, like a terrible fish.

Questions:

- i) Who is the speaker of the poem?
- ii) Who are called the 'liars'?
- iii) What does the mirror do most of the time?
- iv) What does replace the darkness?

Best Wishes