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COMMON HALF YEARLY EXAMINATION - 2022

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Standard X
ENGLISH

Reg.No. 201222

Time : 3.00 hrs

Part - I

Marks : 100

Note : I) Answer all the questions
II) Choose the most suitable answer and write the code with corresponding answer

14 x 1 = 14

Choose the appropriate synonym for the italicised words :

1. When school began there was a bustle.
a) rush b) change c) noise d) ☒ confusion
2. His parents circled around raising a proud cackle.
a) ☒ sharp noise b) blunt noise c) high pitch d) shout
3. Philip was an inventor and ingenious mechanical engineer.
a) good b) ☒ clever c) generous d) famous

Choose the appropriate antonym for the italicised words :

4. The little man was startled.
a) surprised b) exited c) saddened d) ☒ at ease
5. Boost the morale in the country.
a) ☒ fear b) attitude c) mettle d) confidence
6. Assistive technology has helped a talented mind or overcome physical impairments.
a) cross b) ☒ surrender c) succeed d) conquer
7. Choose the correct plural form for data from the following :
a) datas b) ☒ datum c) dati d) datae
8. Form a derivative by adding the right prefix to the word possible.
a) ir b) dis c) im ☒ d) il
9. Choose the correct expansion of the abbreviation NLC.
a) Neyveli Lead Corporation b) ☒ Neyveli Lignite Corporation
c) National Lignite Council d) National Legal Council
10. Complete the following sentence with the most appropriate word given below:
Passengers should wear the seat belts during the _____.
a) take on b) take out c) take in d) ☒ take off
11. Choose the suitable option to pair with green to form a compound word.
a) dress b) ☒ house c) glass d) pen
12. Fill in the blanks with the most appropriate preposition given below.
John Mathew exercised _____ Louise everyday.
a) in b) of c) ☒ with d) to
13. Complete the following sentence by using the most appropriate of the tense given below:
We _____ in the kitchen, when the door bell rang.
a) cooking b) ☒ were cooking c) had cooked d) cooked
14. Choose the most appropriate linker from the given four alternatives:
_____ you work hard, you will score good marks.
a) unless b) ☒ if c) when d) but

Part - II

Section - I (Prose)

- Answer any three of the following questions in a sentence or two. catch 3 x 2 = 6
15. Why didn't Holmes let Watson to examine him? *to find out the culprit.*
 16. What did Aditya offer Sanyal? *Aditya offered Sanyal 150 rupees.*
 17. What prompted the seagull to fly finally? *The sight of food*
 18. What does the term, "circumnavigation" mean? *going around the world in a boat/ship*

Section - II (Poetry)

- Answer any three of the following : 3 x 2 = 6
19. "A silly young cricket accustomed to sing
Through the warm, sunny months of gay summer and spring")
a) What was the routine of the cricket? b) Name the seasons mentioned here.
Summer and spring

(2)

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20. "What happened inside that house
I really don't know
I guess it will always be a mystery"
a) Does the poet know what happened in the house? *No,*
b) What is the mysterious about the house? *None knows about the house*
21. "There's a family nobody likes to meet :
They live, It is said on a complaining street"
a) Where does the family live? *on complaining street* b) Why do think the street is named as complaining street?
22. "We were cast and wrought and hammered to design
(We were cut and field and tooled and gauged to fit)" *a) the people are always complaining*
a) Whom does we refer to? *he refers to the machines* b) How are they made to fit?

Section - III (Grammar)

Answer any three of the following :

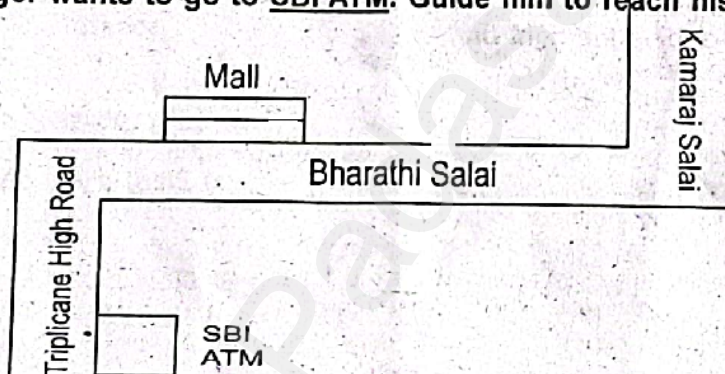
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23. Rewrite the following sentence to the other voice.
Please do not walk on the grass. *You are requested not to walk on the grass.*
24. Rewrite into indirect speech.
Sheila said, "I must wash up" *Sheela said that she had to wash up.*
25. Punctuate the following :
come here come here he called. *"Come here, come here," he called.*
26. Transform the following into a compound sentence.
Besides being a dancer, she is a singer. *She is a dancer and she is a singer*
27. Rearrange the words into coherent order to make a meaningful sentence.
a) ~~slept~~ / But / on / zigzag / undisturbed *5*
b) beckoning / calling / they were / to him / shrilly *5*

Section - IV (Writing) - Compulsory * You are here

1 x 2 = 2

28. A stranger wants to go to SBI ATM. Guide him to reach his destination.



Part - III

Section - I (Prose)

2 x 5 = 10

Answer any two of the following in utmost 10 lines:

29. How did Watson help his friend to arrest the criminal?
30. Describe the struggle underwent by the young Seagull to overcome its fear of flying?
31. Give an account of the last day of Mr.M.Hamel in school.
32. "Technology is a boon to disabled" - Justify

Section - II (Poetry)

2 x 5 = 10

Answer any two of the following :

33. "Some crickets have four legs and some have two"
Elucidate this statement from the poet's point of view.
34. How is mystery depicted in the poem, "The House on Elms Street"
35. Read the following stanza and answer the questions given below :
In the dim of past nor holding back in fear
From what the future veils; but with a whole
And happy heart that pays its toll
To youth and age, and travels on with cheer.

(3)

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- a) Pick out rhyming words from the above lines. *fear, cheer / whole, toll*
 b) Write the rhyme scheme of the poem. *abba*
 c) Identify the figure of speech employed in the first line of the given stanza.
 d) Pick out the alliterating words in the third line. *happy, heart / that, toll*
36. Paraphrase the following stanza :
 "Strong is she in her faith and beliefs
 Persistence is the key to everything"
 Says she. Despite the sighs and groans and moans,
 She is strong in her faith, firm in her belief ~

Section - III (Supplementary)

1 x 5 = 5

Answer any one of the following :

37. Rearrange the jumbled sentence in coherent order:

- a) He took care of the orderliness in the clinic. 3, 4
 b) Zigzag was a great trouble in the house. 1
 c) Dr. Krishnan was surprised of the sudden change in zigzag. 5
 d) Gone was zigzag's bored and grumpy expression. 4, 3
 e) Dr. Krishnan took him to the clinic. 2

38. Read the following passage and answer the questions given below :

(A second inventor, using as a basis some old experiments that dated from the 19th century, had the idea of moving a whole city in a single block) (He suggested, as a demonstration, (the town of Saaf, situated fifteen miles from the sea, after conveying it on rails down to the shore, he would transform it into a seaside resort) Francis Bennett, attracted by this project, agreed to take a half-share in it. The proposals heard and dealt with Francis Bennett went to stretch himself out in an easy chair in the audition room. Then pressing a button, (he was put into communication with a central concert.) After so busy a day, what a charm he found in the works of our greatest masters, based on a series of delicious harmonic-algebraic formula! During his mail, phenotelephotic communication had been set up with Paris.

- i) In which century were the old experiments dated? And what was it?
 ii) Where was Saaf situated?
 iii) What was the proposal awaiting for Saaf?
 iv) How and to whom was Francis Bennett connected?
 v) Pick out any words that refer to technology?

Section - IV

4 x 5 = 20

Answer any four of the following :

39. Prepare an attractive advertisement using the hints given below :
 Mobile World - smart phones - accessories - recharges - free scratch card on every purchase of mobile - Flower Bazaar, Ulundurpet.
 40. You are the co-ordinator for the "Kalai Thiruvizha" in your school. write a notice about the competitions to be held in your school campus.
 41. Write a complaint letter to the office of the PWD department to take immediate action of maintaining cleanliness in the children's park in your locality.
 42. Look at the following picture and express your view on it in about five sentences:



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- a) I am fond of sweets.
c) She loves her father.
e) I prefer coffee to tea.

$$1 \times 5 = 5$$

- Remember no men air and water

$$2 \times 8 = 16$$

- Mulan - brave warrior - saved China - put in charge of all warriors - doctor - finds her - girl - soldiers revoke - Mulan won another battle - emperor glad - gave her prizes.

- a) What did the Chinese trade for the things they wanted?
b) How was the first paper money made? c) Where was Lydia?
d) When did people make the first round metal coin? (OR)

He stirred his Velvet Head.

- a) What did the poet see? b) How did the bird eat the worm?
- c) Did the bird drink water? How? d) What are the eyes compared to?

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