# **HALF YEARLY EXAMINATION - 2022**

STD - X

**TIME: 3.00 Hrs** 

## ENGLISH

**MARKS: 100** 

PART - I

 $(14 \times 1 = 14)$ 

Choose the appropriate Synonyms for the italicised words.

- 1. His long gray legs stepping daintly.
  - a) carelessly
- b) delicately
- c) gracely
- 2. The owner of the tea shop was *rustic* in appearance.
- b) rought nature
- c) rural
- d) plain
- David is a Competent communicator.
  - a) enough
- b) wicked
- d) inadequate

Choose the appropriate antonyms for the italicised words.

- 4. The steps had ceased
  - a) halted
- b) stopped c) started d) ended

- 5. I swa a frail man
  - a) weak
- b) strong
- c) simple d) bold

- 6. The sun was Soothing
  - a) pleasing
- b) relaxing
- c) disturbing
- d) burning
- 7. Choose the correct plural form of eskimo from the following
  - a) eskimo
- b) eskimos
- c) eskimoes
- d) eskii

8. Add a suffix to the word trans

The region was 'trans......' by the government policies.

- b) er
- c) form
- d) ly
- The common expansion of IQ is
  - a) Intelligence Quotient
- b) Intelligent Quotience
- c) Intelligence Questionnaire
- d) internation Questionnaire.
- 10. Complete the following sentence with the most appropriate pharasal verb given below.

The mother instructed the maid to ..... the child carefully.

- a) look after
- b) take off
- c) get along
- d) take after
- 11. Choose the suitable option to pair it with the word show to form a compound word
  - a) stair
- b) star
- c) care
- d) case 104 tudes at the
- 12. Fill in the blank with appropriate prepositional phrase given below.

He didn't turn up ...... his busy schedule.

- a) in front of
- b) due to

- c) be cause d) an effect of 13. Complete the following sentence using the most apporopriate tense form of the verb 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 alternative.

...... he is ninety years old, he is the pink of health.

- a) When
- b) Since
- c) Even though d) Yet

PART - II (Section - I - Prose)

Answer any three of the following questions. 15. Mention the special features of INSV Tarini.

- 16. Why did the seagull fail to fly?
- 17. What were the various things that tempted Mr.Franz to spend his outdoors?
- 18. What was the daily routine of Sanyal?

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### (Section - II - Poetry)

Read the following set of poetic lines and answer any three of the following.

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- 19. "Not a flower could he see. Not a leaf of a tree".
  - a) who does 'he' refer to? b) Mention the seasons when he could not see a flower or a leaf on a tree
- 20. "A woman is beauty innate, A symbol of power and strength"
  - a) How is a woman? b) What does the symbolize?
- 21. It sat along, what happend there is still today unknown"
  - a) What does 'it' refer to? b) What happend inside it?
- 22. Some water, Coal and Oil is all we ask, And a thousandth of an inch to give us play,
  - a) who does 'we' refer to? b) What do they ask for?

## Section - 3 (Grammar)

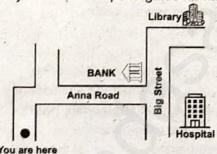
## Answer any three of the following

 $3 \times 2 = 6$ 

- 23. Rewrite the following sentence in Active Voice Flowers were being sold by her.
- 24. Change into direct speech Rani said that she was reading a novel
- 25. Punctuate the following sentences Why are you so ungentle asked miranda
- 26. Transform the following sentence into a Compound sentence. In case your not obeying the law, you will be punished.
- 27. Rearrange the words in the correct order to make meaningful sentence.
  - a) should / you / have / coming / seen / this
  - b) I / will / opportunity / right / for wait / the / strike / to.
- 28. Road map:

 $2 \times 1 = 2$ 

A stranger wants to visit the library. Write the steps to guide him to reach his destination.



PART - III (Section - I)

## Answer any two of the following in about 10 lines.

 $2 \times 5 = 10$ 

- 29. Why did Holmes want smith to treat him?
- 30. Do you think that the young brids parents were really harsh to him? Justify your answer.
- 31. How did watson help his friend, to arrest the cirminal?
- 32. Give a brief character sketch of sasanka sanya?

#### (Section - II)

# Answer any two of the following in about 10 lines.

2 x 5 = 10

- 33. Compare and contrast the attitude of the ant and the Cricket.
- 34. Write the outline of the poem "The secret of the machines".
- 35. Read the following stanza and answer the questions below:

The growl at that and they growl at this whatever comes there is something amiss And whether their station be high or humble They are all known by the name of Grumble.

- i) What is the rhyme scheme in the above lines. ii) mention the rhyming words of the above lines
- iii) What is the figure of speech in the first line iv) pict out alliterated words.
- 36. Paraphrase the following stanza.

"We can pull and haul and push and lifeand drive we can print and plough and weave and heat and light we can run and race and swim and fly and dive we can see and hear and count and read and write".

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(Section - III)

# 37. Answer any one of the following

Rearrange the following sentences in Coherent Order

- 1. He wanted Dr. Krishnan to keep ZigZag with him.
- 2. The children Aravind maya supported their father.
- 3. Dr Somu was leaving for Alaska.
- Mrs. Krishnan had a horrified expression.
- 5. Dr. Krishnan pacified her by telling that ZigZag was harmless and loveable brid.

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

The trembling mother's voice was full of unselfish love as she gave her last injuction. "Let not thine eyes be blinded, my son", she said. "The mountain road is full of dangerous. Look carefully and follow the path which holds the piles of twigs. They will guide you to the familiar path farther down". The son's surprised eyes looked back over the path, then at the poor old shivered hands all scratched and soiled by their work by love His heart broke within and bowing to the ground, he cried loudly. "Oh honourable mother, your kind ness breaks my heart! I will not leave you. Together we will follow the path of twigs and together we will die!"

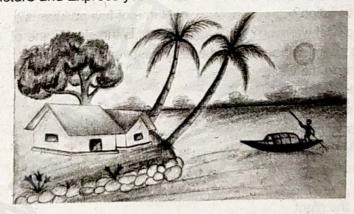
- Questions: 1. How was the mother's voice?
  - 2. What was the advice of the old mother?
  - 3. Why did the son's heart broke down?
  - 4. What did the son say to his mother?
  - 5. Do you love your mother? Give one reason.

(Section - IV)

## Answer any four of the following .

 $1 \times 5 = 5$ 

- 39. Prepare an attractive advertisement using the hints given below. Loyal Furniture shop - Aadi Sale - 30 - 50% - Special offers on Credit Card purchase - all type of decors and furniture available - G.N.Street, Salem.
- 40. Write a letter to the manager of a famous daily, ordering subscription for your school library.
- 41. Write a complaint to the officer of the PWD department to take immediate action to maintain cleanliness in the Children's park in your locality.
- 42. Look at the following picture and Express your views in about five sentences.



43. Make notes or write a summary (in 100 words) of the following passage. Our blood consists of three types of blood cells, red blood white blood cells and platelets cells are small, think and disc shaped. They are composed of an iron containing component called haemoglobin. When blood passes through the lungs each haemoglobin molecule picks up four oxygen molecules and supplies them to the body's tissues. Red blood cell also transport the carbon dioxide from the tissues to the lungs. The lungs throw out this gas when we exhale. The white blood cells are big and few. Compared to red

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cells, numbering only one for every 700 red cells. They are the body's defenders, the soldier the fight bacteria and other enemies. One kind, for instance for instance destroys dead cells. Other kinds produce antibodies against viruses. Some other consume and digest bacteria.

- 44. Identify and correct the errors.
  - 1. This is second period

- 2. John is best student in the class
- Each of the cycles are damaged.
- The dog fell along the river.
- 5. Is this a book that you wanted to buy?

(Section - V)

45. Quote from memory.

"We were taken from ...... we ask"

 $1 \times 5 = 5$ 

Part - IV (Section - V)

45. Write a paragraph about 150 words of the following hints.

 $2 \times 8 = 16$ 

- a) Propero Duke of milan Out of magic brother Antonia Overthorw prospero King of Naples prospero and his daughter twelve years released good spirits from sycornax creates storms Ariel helps the enemies Ferdinand arrives miranda and Ferdinand attractive prospero tests Ferdinand realized his mistakes repented prospero restored the kingdom. (OR)
- b) Holland land below sea level dikes protected the country every one did best to protect Hooland years ago little boy peter lived Holland His father attended dike gates Opended closed dykes one day peter mother gave cakes to be given old blind friend of peter across the dyke peter happlily left home peter visited old man returned by the dike heared water trickling small hold dyke called for help in vain he put his little finger throughout the night morning found by passer by altered people peter and Holland Saved.
- 47. a) Read the following paragraph and answer the questions given below:

Pollution is an undesirable change in physical, chemical and biological characteristics of our land, air and water caused by excessive accumulation of pollutants. The pollutants like carbon-di-oxide, sulphur-di-oxide produces acid rain. Due to acid rain the buildings and plant materials are damaged. The increase of these causes global warming also. The average increase in the temperature of atmosphere is called global warming. This is otherwise known as green 'house effect'. This leads to rise of sea levels dut to the melting of the glaciers. The expansion of water will engulf many parts of this country. July 1998 was the hottest month world over.

Quetions:

- a. What is pollution?
- b) Name of few pollutants?
- c. What is global warming?
- d) What is the significane of July 1998? (OR)
- b) Read the following poem and answer the questions given below:

The sun descending in the west,

The evening star does shine,

The birds are silent in their nest,

And I must seek for mine.

The moon, like a flower

In heaven's high bower

with silent delight,

sits and smiles on the night.

Questions:

- a) Where are the birds?
- b) What is the time referred to here?
- c) What is the moon compared to?
- d) How is the moon during the night?

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