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HALF YEARLY EXAMINATION - 2022

12- Std

ENGLISH

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Marks : 90

Time : 3.00 Hrs

PART-1

20x1=20

Answer all the questions.

Choose the most appropriate answer from the given four alternatives and write the option code and the corresponding answer.

Choose the most appropriate Synonyms of the underlined words in the following sentences.

- I follow my fancy and no man's permission.
a. plan b. instinct c. temper d. desire
 - I experienced not only agony and fear but also anger.
a. suffering b. frustration c. confusion d. pride
 - We watched for a few moments; then as trade slackened we went over.
a. increased b. highlighted c. reduced d. multiplied
- Choose the antonym of the underlined word in the following sentences.
- He had full confidence in the mechanic.
a. trust b. diffidence c. reliance d. acceptance
 - A stout old lady was walking with her basket in the middle of a street.
a. bulky b. fat. c. plump d. thin
 - Their devotion had touched me deeply.
a. dedication b. loyalty c. disloyalty d. love
 - Choose the blended form of "motel".
a. motorcar + hotel
b. motor + hotel c. motorway + hotel d. motorist + hotel
 - Choose the clipped form of the word for "newscast".
a. news b. cast c. new d. casts
 - Choose the correct compound word that can be placed after the word 'soft'.
a. run b. walk. c. ware d. pillow
 - Choose the meaning of foreign word 'en route'.
a. returning
b. on the way c. on the shortcut road d. on the wrong route
 - Choose the write expansion of **NOC**.
a. National Optical company b. Name of the company
c. No Objection Certificate d. Nation oriented company
 - Form a new word by adding a suitable suffix to the root word **cease**.
a. age b. less c. hood d. ness
 - Choose the disyllabic word from the given option.
a. count b. house c. economy d. bizarre
 - Choose the correct proposition for the following sentence.
The prayer session will be heldFridays.
a. at b. on c. with d. of
 - Choose the polite alternative word for the underlined word in the following sentence.
"This is a school for blind".
a. mentally challenged b. handicapped c. un seeing d. visually impaired

16. Choose the correct question tag for the following statement.

I am a teacher?

a. am not I? b. aren't I? c. don't I? d. am I?

17. Choose the meaning of the underlined idiom.

Mano is a down to earth man.

a. difficult b. practical c. rare d. useful

18. Filling the blanks with the suitable relative pronoun.

This is the townI spent my childhood

a. which b. where c. whom d. who

19. Choose the correct form of "calf"

a. calfs b. calve c. calves d. calf

20. All citizens obey the laws of the land. [Use a Modal verb]

a. should b. could c. must d. would

PART II (SECTION-A)

Answer any seven of the following.

Read the following sets of poetic lines and answer any four of the following questions. $4 \times 2 = 8$

21. "Legs wide, arms locked behind,
As if to balance the prone brow"

a. Whose action is described here? b. What is the state of mind?

22: "Then the whining school boy, with his satchel
And shining morning face, creeping like snail
Unwilling to school"

a. Which stage of life is being referred to here by the poet?

b. How does the boy go to school?

23. "Life is hard, be a rock"

a. How should one face life? b. Identify the figure of speech in the above line.

24: "Our gates were strong our walls were thick
So smooth and high, no man could win"

a. How safe was the castle? b. What was the firm belief of the soldiers?

25: "A creeper climbs, in whose embraces bound
No other tree could live"

a. Which tree is referred in the above lines?

b. What quality of tree is highlighted here?

26. " This is my son, mine own Telemachus,
To whom I leave the scepter and the isle
Well-loved of me."

a. Who does Ulysses entrust his kingdom to, in his absence?

b. Bring out the significance of the scepter?

SECTION-B

Do as directed [Any three].

$3 \times 2 = 6$

27. Report the dialogue.

Ravi : Could I open an account here?

Manager : Sure. Get the application form and fill it up.

28. If I had a car, I would drop you. [Begin with had]

29. I completed my homework yesterday. [Change the voice]

30. Though he was ill, he attended the meeting. [change into compound sentence]

PART - III (SECTION-A)

Answer any seven of the following questions.

Explain any two of the following with reference to the context.

31. "May love defend thee from oblivion's curse" 2 x 3 = 6
 32. "Jealous in honor, sudden and quick in quarrel"
 33. "I will maintain unto my death"

SECTION-B

Answer any two of the following briefly.

2 x 3 = 6

34. What is the author's view on China tea?
 35. What does the rule of the road' mean?
 36. Describe the appearance of Nicola and Jacopo.

SECTION-C

Answer any three of the following.

3 x 3 = 9

37. Expand the following Headlines.
 a. Onion price goes up. b. Arun Jaitly passed away.
 c. Plastic carries bags banned in shops.
 38. Describe the process of lemonade.
 39. Complete the proverb.
 a. A cat has lives. [i. one ii. Four iii. nine]
 b. An idle man's mind is a work shop. [i. god ii. angel iii. devil]
 c. Cruelty deserves no [i. enemy ii. friend iii. mercy]
 40. Build a dialogue of at least six utterances between vegetable vendor and a customer

PART-IV

7 x 5 = 35

Answer the following.

41. Answer in a paragraph any one of the following.
 a. Summaries George Orwell's distinctive ideas in "A nice cup of tea"
 b. Justify the title of the story "Two Gentlemen of Verona".
 42. Answer in a paragraph any one of the following.
 a. Human greed led to the mighty fall of the citadel. Explain
 b. Describe the various stages of a man's life picturised in the poem "All the world's stage".
 43. Answer in a paragraph any one of the following.
 a. Discuss the meaning and importance of the saying "God sees the truth but waits"
 b. Bring out the irony in the message "Remember Caesar".
 44. Write a summary or make notes of the following passage.

The aim of education is the overall development of the personality of man. It means the development of not only the mind but also the body. Games keep the body fit. Swami Vivekananda was of the view that only a healthy mind can realize God. But a healthy mind can dwell only in a healthy body. For keeping a body healthy, games are indispensable. For this reason Swami Vivekananda has advised that all young men and women good games. People who have developed the habit of playing games regularly can maintain good health. Games help to build a muscular body. They include

sound sleep which is sign of good health. Therefore games are food for the body as knowledge is food for the mind. In fact, all work and no play make jack a dull boy. Everybody likes games because these keep them physically fit and mentally alert. When a person plays games, his blood circulation increases and his digestive system improves. He does not fall prey to any disease. Games teach us courage and perseverance. Games foster the qualities of fair play. Good players maintain equanimity in the event of victory or defeat.

45. **Letter writing.**

a. Write an application for the post of personal secretary to the managing director of M/P Vikas Power Corporation, Mount Road, Ch-2 Include the following details Educational Qualification, Experience, various other qualification required for the post. (OR)

b. You are the school pupil leader of your school you organized an inter school cultural competitions. Write a letter to the chief guest as your aspirant about this competition.

46. **Spot the error and write the corrected sentences.**

a. We bought a lot of furnitures. b. Neither Pranav nor Krishna are intelligent.

c. Ramesh is senior than Venkat d. The dog jumped in the well.

e. She completed her work, isn't she? (OR)

Fill in the blanks suitably.

a. The priest wanted to..... the (altar/alter)

b. I carry your bag? (use a modal verb)

c. Ibuy a packet of milk. (use a quasi-modal verb)

d. Darkness sets in the sun sets. (use a suitable link word).

47. **Develop the following hints into a story.**

A rich farmer-lot of land-two sons- happy life-sons grown younger son unhappy. asked his share got it -sold them all fell into bad ways -became poor understood his mistake-returned to family. (OR)

Read the poem and answer the following questions:

"For oh," say the children, we are weary

And we cannot run or leap

If we cared for any meadows, it were merely

To drop down in them and sleep

Our knees tremble sorely in the stooping

We fall upon our faces, trying to go

And underneath our heavy eyelids drooping

The reddest flower would look as pale as snow

Questions:

a. What do the children do all the day?

b. What do they cry for?

c. Whom does 'we' refer to?

d. Give the meaning of "stooping"

e. What would they do if they saw any meadows?