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COMMON HALF YEARLY EXAMINATION - 2022

Std - VIII

Time : 2.30 Hours

ENGLISH

Marks: 100

Part - I

I. Choose the appropriate synonym for the underlined words:

1. The mother consoled her little girl.
a) pretended b) comforted c) left
2. Ajay started to paint happily.
a) depressed b) joyfully c) sadly
3. Dixie was feeling very exhausted.
a) joy b) wounded c) tired

Choose the appropriate Antonyms for the underlined words:

4. The neem tree provided shelter to many birds.
a) residence b) unprotection c) home
5. It is a latest mobile.
a) outdated b) updated c) new
6. Ilavazhagi won World Championship in 2008.
a) win b) succeed c) lost
7. Choose the correct plural form of 'foot'.
a) foots b) feets c) feet
8. Add a suitable suffix for the word 'friend'.
a) ship b) ness c) ful
9. Expand 'OTP'.
a) One Time Policy b) One Time Privacy c) One Time Password
10. Syllabify the following word 'out break'.
a) Mono syllabic b) Disyllabic c) Trisyllabic
11. Choose the correct Homophone.
The rises in the East.
a) sun b) son
12. Choose the suitable option to pair it with the word 'snow' To form a compound word.
a) light b) fill c) fall
13. Find out the clipped word for the following word 'Helicopter + pad'.
14. Write the blended word for 'Brunch'.
15. Write the suitable collective Noun for 'a of grapes'.
a) bunch b) cup c) pair
16. Give the comparative and superlative degree of the adjective 'small'.
17. Fill in the blank with suitable preposition.
Christmas falls 25th December.
a) in b) on c) at
18. Choose the correct conjunction from the options given in bracket.
Get ready soon you will miss the train. (or / but)
19. Choose the correct tense to complete the sentence.
Do you the day we moved the piano upstairs?
a) remembers b) remember c) remembered
20. Identify the error in the sentence given below and rewrite them.
One of the boys are missing.

Part - II

II. Answer any three of the following questions:

3 x 2 = 6

- 21 Where did the sparrows build the nest?
 22 How was Ajay honoured?
 23 Who was taking care of Newton after his father's death?
 24 Which should be used with adults' supervision?

25. Compare the following using the adjective given in the bracket.
 Elephant - Cat (strong)

5 x 2 = 10

26. Fill in the blank using 'Would you' or 'Could you'.
 mind going to the back bench?

27. Punctuate the following
 tell me, what is your name she asked

28. Choose the right pattern

Pooja hired a bicycle a) SV

b) SVO

c) SVC

29. Complete the conditional sentences.

If I (study), I (pass) the exam.

Part - III

III. Answer any one of the following questions in about 100 words:

1 x 5 = 5

- 30 Explain how Ramayya's wife reacted when she saw the nose-jewel.
 31. Mention some of Newton's inventions.
 32. Write about Road safety rules.

IV. Write the following sentences are True or False:

5 x 1 = 5

- i) Two sparrows built a nest on a tree top.
 ii) Kuppayi swept out the diamond jewel.
 iii) Ramayya gave the diamond jewel to the magistrate.
 iv) Ramayya's wife put the stud away in her box.
 v) The police searched Ramayya's home.

Part - IV

V. Quote from memory :

34. When I was from harm"

1 x 5 = 5

VI. Appreciate the following questions:

5 x 1 = 5

35. "That you're my special hero
 and I wanted to tell you so"

i) Who is the speaker?

ii) Who is the special hero mentioned in the poem?

36. "My hobby is reading
 It helps me"

i) What is the hobby of the poet?

ii) Does it help him?

37. "One gleam of faith

To brave the thickening ills of life;"

i) What qualities will help us brave the thickening ills of life?

VII. Answer any one of the following in about 100 words:

1 x 5 = 5

38. Write a paragraph on the father's love as described in the poem 'Special Hero'.
 39. Describe "A Thing of Beauty".



40. Read the stanza and answer the questions that follow:

Mistress, Master, hear me help,
I'm out-of-doors, I want your help,
Let me in-oh, LET ME IN
Before those fireworks begin.

- Write the rhyme scheme of the above poetic lines.
- Pick out the rhyming words from the above poetic lines.
- Identify the alliteration in the first line.
- What is the figure of speech mentioned in the third line?

Part - V

III. a) Choose the correct answer:

5 x 1 = 5

- Arun was sitting on platform.....
a) No. 7 b) No. 8 c) No. 4 d) No. 9
- Jim Corbet shot the tigress dead, near the
a) Chataar Bridge b) Howrah Bridge c) Periyar Bridge d) Krishna Bridge
- Moti feels it as a to serve the great Pundit.
a) punishment b) penalty c) sentence d) privilege
- The train would come at
a) 7 o'clock b) 12 o'clock c) 11 o'clock
- The instinct in had often saved the lives of men.
a) girls b) animals c) boys

Identify the character / speaker.

5 x 1 = 5

- I am glad to know that.
- "Now rest awhile - and let me work a bit"?
- "But I apply the secret".
- "Well, be very careful Arun",
- "Here comes someone running"

51. Read the following passage and answer the questions given below: 5x1=5

(Sir Alexander Fleming) who discovered Penicillin, was once forced into an interview in New York by two journalists just as he was about to have breakfast. One of them asked him, 'Sir, what are you thinking about right now? We wish to know what a great scientist think while getting ready for breakfast.

Fleming mused awhile on the question and he replied, "I am thinking of something very special". The journalist, who were all ears, drew themselves forward. "I am thinking whether to have one egg or two".

- Name the scientist.
- What did he discover?
- When did they meet the scientist?
- Who forced him into an interview?
- Give a suitable title to it.

Part - VI

52. Write any one of the following letters.

1 x 5 = 5

Write a complaining letter to the postmaster General on non-receipt of book parcel

(OR)

Write a letter to your friend describing how you spent your summer vacation.

3. Your school is going to organise an inter-school singing competition. Write a notice for your school notice board inviting names of all the interested students. $1 \times 5 = 5$
4. Describe the things in the picture using the descriptive words given below. $5 \times 1 = 5$



Descriptive words

Good, great, fantastic, excellent, amazing, wonderful and marvelous

55. Develop the following hints and give a suitable title. $1 \times 5 = 5$

A wood cutter-cutting wood - dropped his axe in the pond - started weeping - angel appeared - asked what the matter was - brought a golden axe - from the pond - wood cutter did not accept -- brought a silver axe - not accepted - brought an iron axe - accepted - pleased with the honesty - offered all the axes to him.
