

QUARTERLY EXAMINATION - 2023

CLASS : 8

ENGLISH

Regr.No.:

TIME : 230 Hr.

MAX.MARKS : 100

PART-I

Choose the appropriate Synonyms for the underlined words.

14x1=14

- What is the secret you are whispering?
a) rumouring b) murmuring c) loudering d) shouting
- Ajay started to paint happily.
a) depressed b) joyfully c) unhappily d) sadly
- Isaac was chiefly remarkable for his ingenuity.
a) common b) notable c) uncommon d) ignorance

Choose the appropriate Antonyms for the underlined words.

- Ramaya's wife picked the diamond stud up with delight.
a) joy b) happily c) sorrow d) pleasure
- Ilavazhagi won the world championship in 2008.
a) win b) lost c) succeed d) achieved
- Isaac possessed a wonderful faculty of acquiring knowledge.
a) Owned b) have c) lacked d) consumed
- Choose the Correct Plural form of 'foot' from the following:
a) feet b) foos c) fetes d) fete
- Attach a suitable Prefix to the word 'possible'.
a) in- b) im- c) di- d) un
- Choose the correct Expansion of the word 'OTP'.
a) One Time Password b) One Ticket Password c) Optional Time Password d) One time pass
- Fill in the blanks with suitable 'Collective noun'.
A _____ of tea.
a) bowl b) cup c) bottle d) mug

11. Fill in the blanks with suitable 'Modal Verb'.

- I _____ speak English fluently.
a) can b) must c) may d) should
12. Choose the suitable option to pair it with the word 'Snow' to form a Compound word.
a) fall b) rain c) park d) fill
13. Fill in the blanks with suitable 'Preposition'.
I was born _____ June 5, 1982.
a) On b) into c) in d) at
14. 'Syllabification' of the word- "Tomorrow".
a) Tomor-row b) To-mor-row c) To-morrow d) To - mo - row

PART - II

Section - 1 (Prose)

Answer any three of the following questions in a sentence or two.

3x2= 6

- What happened to Ramayya's wife at the end?
- What happened to Ajay at the age of three?
- Who was taking care of Newton after his father's death?
- Where did the sparrows build the nest?

Section - II (Poetry)

Answer any three of the following questions.

Read the following lines and answer the questions given below.

3x2=6

19. "That you're my special hero
And I wanted to tell you so"
- a) Who is the speaker of the poem? b) Who is the special hero mentioned in the poem?

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20. "My hobby is reading It helps me In thought breeding"
It takes me to places Near and far, It keeps my rational Doors ajar."
a) What is the hobby of the poet? b) What is the meaning of the word "ajar"?
21. Every soul that touches yours-
Be it the slightest contact
a) What should we learn from every soul?
One gleam of faith
To brave the thickening ills of life b) What qualities will help us brave the thickening ills of life?
22. Seems it was sent to me
from some place up above
a) What do the above lines mean? b) What did the child want to tell its dad?

Section - III (Grammar)

Answer any four of the following questions.

4x2=8

23. Change the Possessive adjective into Possessive pronoun.
a) This is my pen. _____ b) Your book is new. _____
24. Degrees of Comparison. Fill in the blanks with correct form of Adjective.
A donkey is Strong.
A horse is _____ than Donkey. An elephant is the _____.
25. Pick out the correct Homophone.
a) I am not _____ to drink soda (aloud / allowed), b) I will _____ my friend. (meet / meat)
26. Change the underlined words with correct pronoun.
a) My aunt lives in Trichy but, my aunt often comes to visit my family.
b) Neil Armstrong was born in 1930. Neil Armstrong landed on the moon in 1969.
27. Punctuate the following sentence.
How am i know said the female bird
28. Modal Verbs : Fill in the blanks using would you or could you.
a) _____ please close the door? b) _____ mind going to the back bench?

Part III

Section - I

Answer any two of the following in about 100 words.

2x5=10

29. Narrate the story "The Nose - Jewell".
30. Write a note about Ilavazhagi's achievements.
31. How did Ajay's father find his son's talent?
32. Mention some of Sir Issac Newton's inventions.

Section - II

Answer any two of the following in utmost 10 lines.

2x5=10

33. Write a paragraph on the father's love as described in the poem 'Special Hero'.
34. Write a paragraph on the poem 'My hobby: Reading'.
35. How this world will become a heavenly heritage?
36. **Read the following stanza and answer the question given below**

The woods are lovely, dark, and deep,

But I have promises to keep

And miles to go before I sleep,

And miles to go before I sleep.

- a) Pick out the rhyming words? b) What is the rhyming scheme of the above stanza?
- c) Pick out the alliterating words in the first line. d) Mention the figure of speech in the poem lines?

Section III

Answer any one of the following.

1 x 5 = 5

37. Rearrange the following sentences in coherent order.

1. She advised him not to talk to the strangers.
2. His friend, Sathish came with his mother.
3. She bought him tea, samosa and sweets.
4. He met a woman in white saree at platform no. 8.
5. Arun was travelling to his boarding school.

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

Edward James Corbett, popularly known as Jim Corbett was a British wild life photographer, hunter, tracker, naturalist, and writer. Jim Corbett played a key role in establishing, India's first national park in the Kumaon Hills, the Haily National Park, in Uttarkhand, india. It was initially named after, Lord Malcom Haily. Jim Corbett died on 19 April 1955. The park was renamed in 1957as, The Jim Corbett National Park. It was named after him to honour his role in establishing this protected area in 1930s.

- a) What was the real name of Jim Corbett?
- b) Who played a key role in establishing the national park?
- c) Why was the park named Haily National Park?
- d) When was it renamed as Jim Corbett National Park?
- e) Jim Corbett died on _____

Section – IV

Answer anyfour of the following.

4x5=20

39. Choose the best answer.

- a) Arun was sitting on platform _____.
- i) no.7 ii) no.8 iii) no.9
- b) The strange lady gave _____ to Arun.
- i) samosas ii) tea iii) tea and samosas
- c) The king wanted to know the answers for _____ questions.
- i) three ii) five iii) nine
- d) The hermit lived in a _____.
- i) cottage ii) palace iii) wood
- e) _____ played a key role in establishing, India's first national park in Uttarkhand.
- i) Johnson ii) Jim Corbett iii) Jackson

40. Write a letter to the police commissioner about the noise caused by the loud speaker in a music shop near your school.

41. Sharmila is the in-charge of the cultural committee of Government Higher Secondary School, Tiruttani. She has been asked to notify the students of the school about the **Inner school singing Competition**. Write a notice with relevant details.

42. Look at the following picture and express your views on it in about five sentences.



43. Identify the Character/ Speaker .

1. I am glad to know that.
2. Are you all alone, my son?
3. He played a key role in establishing the nation park in Uttarakhand, India.
4. He is one of my friends.
5. He wanted to know answers for his three questions.

44. Spot the Error.

- a) A horse is strong than a donkey.
- b) An elephant is the stronger animal in the world.
- c) I was born at July 4, 1982.
- d) What is the time in your watch?
- e) He has grey hairs.

Section – V (Memoriter) Compulsory**45. Quote from memory.****1x5 = 5**

From: Every soul-----
To----- unfelt.

Part – IV (Supplementary)**46. Write a paragraph of about 150 words by developing the following hints.****1x8=8**

- a) Jim Corbett – British hunter – hunted – man eating tigers- hunted Champawat man eating tiger- Played a key role - establishing - India's first national park - Kumaon Hills - the Haily National Park, in Uttarkhand, India - named after, Lord Malcom Haily -Jim Corbett died -19 April 1955. The park - renamed – 1957 - The JimCorbett National Park.

Or

- b) Once a king – wished – to get answers – three questions- what – right time – every action – who – most – necessary people – what - important thing – not satisfied – with answers –approached a hermit- king saved – life – of man- enemy – apology – got answers – right time – help others – important people – one with whom we are – most important thing – do good to all.

Part - V (General Comprehension)**47. Read the following passage and answer the questions given below.****4x2=8****“Why Do Birds Sing?”**

Why do birds sing? You might assume that birds sing because they are happy. While birds might be happy, they sing in order to communicate. One reason they sing is to stake a claim on territory. Birds sing to warn other birds to stay off their property. For example, a robin might stake a claim on a piece of land which measures about 200 feet wide by 200 feet long. This amount of land provides enough worms for the robin to feed its family. A bird maintains singing perches around the outside edges of its territory. The perches are high in the trees, so other birds can see and hear it. Birds also sing to find a mate. The length and complexity of the mating song gives information about the fitness of the bird. Healthy birds can sing longer, more complicated songs. Birds call to one another in shorter vocalizations in order to warn of danger and to locate one another. Birds sing instinctively. Young birds learn to perfect their songs by listening to adult birds and interacting with other birds. Birds in a local area might learn variations in the basic song which help them recognize other members of their group.

- 1) Why do birds sing?
 - a) To locate one another
 - b) To warn other birds
 - c) To find a mate
 - d) All of the above
- 2) Shorter bird vocalizations are ...
 - a) territorial songs
 - b) mating songs
 - c) warnings
 - d) none of the above
- 3) Young birds perfect their songs by ...
 - a) natural instinct
 - b) listening and interaction
 - c) practice
 - d) both B and C are correct
- 4) How do variations in the basic song help the birds?
 - a) recognize other members
 - b) maintain health
 - c) increase the length of their song
 - d) communicate with one another.

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