

**COMMON QUARTERLY EXAMINATION – 2023****Standard VIII**Reg.No. :

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ENGLISH

Time: 3.00 hrs.

Marks: 100

Part - A**I. Choose the correct synonym for the underlined words.****3 x 1 = 3**

1. Isaac was chiefly remarkable for his ingenuity.
a) common b) notable c) unknown d) neglected
2. The poor woman is in a panic.
a) fear b) grid c) crash d) fine
3. Writing is a unique hobby.
a) beneficial b) common c) uncommon d) separate

II. Choose the correct antonym for the underlined words.**3 x 1 = 3**

4. Ajay suffered an injury.
a) sorrow b) endure c) mourn d) hurt
5. The children yelled with delight.
a) happiness b) glad c) disappointment d) joyful
6. His grandmother was very kind to him.
a) loving b) cruel c) affectionate d) amiable

III. Answer all the questions.**8 x 1 = 8**

7. Choose the correct plural form of foot from the following.
a) foot b) feet c) foots d) feets
8. Form a derivative by adding the right suffix to the word comfort.
a) _ful b) _able c) _hood d) _ion
9. Choose the correct expansion of the abbreviation ISRO.
a) Indian Science Research Organization
b) Italian Space and Research Organization
c) Indian Space and Research Organization
d) International Science Research Organization
10. Choose the suitable word to pair with the word safe to form a compound word.
a) shop b) van c) chair d) guard
11. Syllabify for the following word : Fortunate
12. Fill in the blank by using the correct **preposition**.
I was born _____ 1982.
a) on b) in c) into d) onto
13. Fill in the blank with the **suitable model**.
_____ you speak English?
a) May b) Will c) Can d) Would
14. Choose the correct **homophone**.
The wind _____ (blue / blew) the leaves.

Part - B**Section - I****IV. Answer any three of the following questions.****3 x 2 = 6**

15. Where did the Sparrow built the nest?
16. What did Asha Devi teach Ajay?
17. What is the hobby of Ilavazhagi?
18. How was Newton honoured by the king?



Part - III
Section - I

VIII. Answer any two of the following.

2 x 5 = 10

29. Write a short notes on Ilavazhagi.
30. Mention some of Newton's inventions.
31. How did Ajay's father find his son's talent?
32. Why did the Sparrow throw the nose jewel into Ramayya's house?

Section - II

IX. Answer any two of the following.

2 x 5 = 10

33. Write a paragraph describing how the hobby is useful to the poet?
34. **Read the following stanza and answer the questions given below.**

"There is something special
about a father's love.

Seems it was sent to me
from someplace up above"

- a) Pick out the rhyming words from the above lines.
 - b) Write the rhyme scheme of the stanza.
 - c) Pick out the alliterated words in the first line of the given stanza.
35. Paraphrase the following poetic lines.

"One bit of courage
For the darkening Sky
One gleam of faith
To brave the thickening ills of life"

Section - III

X. Answer any one of the following.

5 x 1 = 5

36. **Rearrange the following sentences in coherent order.**

- a) "Yes, I am going to school", I said.
- b) I looked up and saw a woman standing near me.
- c) 'I have been watching you for some time' she said.
- d) Are you alone my son? Asked a soft voice close behind me.
- e) She wore no jewels and was dressed very simply in white Sari.

37. **Read the following passage and answer the questions given below.**

Jim Corbett played a key role in establishing, India's first national park in the Kumaon Hills, the Hailey National Park in Uttarakhand, India. It was initially named after, Lord Makolm Hailey. Jim Corbett died on 19 April 1955. The park was renamed on 1957 as "The Jim Corbett National Park". It was named after him to honour his role in establishing this protected area in 1930s.

Questions :

- a) Who played a key role in establishing the national park?
- b) What is the first national park of India?
- c) When was Jim Corbett died?
- d) Where was the Hailey National Park located?
- e) When was it renamed as Jim Corbett National Park?

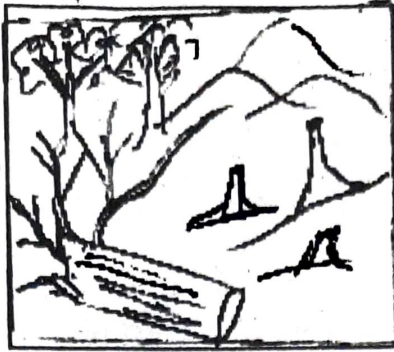
Section - IV

XI. Answer any four of the following.

4 x 5 = 20

38. Write a letter to the Postmaster General on non-receipt of book parcel.
39. Write a letter to your father asking permission to go on an educational tour.

40. Look at the picture and explain it in five sentences.



41. Translate the following proverbs in your mother tongue.

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| a) Unity is strength | b) Barking dog seldom bites. |
| c) Diamond cuts diamond | d) Self help is the best help. |
| e) Haste makes waste. | |

42. Match the following slogans.

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| a) Tooth paste | - | Make your home look grand |
| b) pen | - | Look good |
| c) Gold Jewel | - | Drive away the Mosquitoes |
| d) Mosquito coil | - | A sparkling smile |
| e) furniture | - | the magic of words |

Section - V

XII. Quote from memory.

1 x 5 = 5

43. "When I was a baby
..... looked up into your eyes"

Part - IV

XIII. Answer the following:

2 x 8 = 16

44. Write a paragraph of about 150 words by developing the following hints.

- a) Tortoise - hare - forest - tortoise walking - seen by a hare - hare laughs - tortoise speed - tortoise sad - bet - race - tortoise moving - slow speed - hare moves - fast - sleeps - tortoise - reaches winning point - first - wins the bet. (OR)
- b) A wood cutter - cutting wood - dropped his axe a 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.

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

She smiled gratefully at me and pressed my hand. We walked together in silence until we reached the place where I had left my suitcase, one of my school fellows, Satish, a boy of about my age, had turned up with his mother. "Hello, Arun!" he called. "The train's coming late, as usual. Did you know we have a new Headmaster this year?". We shook hands, and then he turned to his mother and said, "This is Arun, Mother". "He is one of my friends and the best bowler in the class".

Questions :

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| a) Whom did the boy meet in the station? | b) Who accompanied his friend? |
| c) What did he tell to Arun? | d) What was Arun in the class? |
