



Ts12E

Tenkasi District
Second Mid Term Test - 2023

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Standard 12

ENGLISH

Part - I

Marks: 45

Time: 1.30 Hours

10×1=10

Answer all the questions.

a) Choose the appropriate synonyms for the following underlined words.

- Scrambling on the rocks and cutting handholds on the snow
 - a) jogging
 - b) treading
 - c) climbing on hands and knees
 - d) strolling
- A few people from the house of bereavement stood outside.
 - a) rejoice
 - b) celebration
 - c) grief
 - d) merry making

b) Choose the appropriate antonyms for the following underlined words.

- Fortuitously a guest visited our house
 - a) luckily
 - b) peacefully
 - c) unfortunately
 - d) happily
- Anna would say with an impudent smile
 - a) disrespectful
 - b) angry
 - c) impatient
 - d) polite

5) Choose the correct meaning of the idiom used in the given sentence.
We should wait for the dust to settle in this problem.

- a) to wait for a counsellor
- b) to wait for the appropriate time
- c) to wait for the situation to become clear (CLEAR)
- d) to wait for another person to deal with the problem

6) Replace the underlined phrasal verb in the sentence below with a single word.

The meeting has been put off for a week.

- a) started
- b) extinguished
- c) postponed
- d) opened

7) Give the expansion for the following acronym choosing from the options given

The Headquarters of the RAW is in NewDelhi

- a) Royal Amateur Wing
- b) Research And Analysis Wing
- c) Radium Analysis Wing
- d) Radar Activating Wing

8) Choose the right blended word for the combination for 'breakfast and lunch'

- a) brunch
- b) trunch
- c) brench
- d) breanch

9) Identify the correct combination of the compound word 'Swimming pool'

- a) Noun + Noun
- b) Verb + Noun
- c) adverb + noun
- d) Gerund + Noun

10) Fill in the blank choosing the correct preposition

Two figures came us and meet us a couple of hundred feet above the camp

- a) to
- b) from
- c) towards
- d) beside

Part - II
Section - A

I. Read the following poetic lines and answer the questions that follow. (any two). 2×2=4

- i) **Thro scudding drifts the rainy Hyades**
Vext the dim sea: I am become a name
 - a) Whom does 'I' refer to?
 - b) What is the figure of speech used here?
- ii) **That ever with a frolic welcome took**
The thunder and the sunshine
 - a) What do 'thunder' and 'sunshine' refer to?
 - b) What do we infer about the attitude of the sailors?

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iii) "Life is hard; be steel; be a rock"

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

II. Explain the following lines with reference to the context. (any two) $2 \times 3 = 6$

- i) How dull it is to pause, to make an end,
To rust unburnished, not to shine in use!
ii) Brutes have been gentled where lashes failed
iii) He will be lonely enough
to have time for the work
he knows as his own

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I. Answer any two of the following:

$2 \times 2 = 4$

- i) Praveen said to me, "I do not go to movies often". (Into Indirect speech)
ii) All the fruits were sold by the fruitseller. (Into the other voice)
iii) As there was heavy rain, the match was delayed (Rewrite using 'and so')

Section - C

I. Answer any two of the following questions:

$2 \times 3 = 6$

- a) What did Hillary find in a tiny hole?
b) What was put on the family agenda?
c) What happened to the visitor when he sat on the stool?

II. Answer the following in a paragraph about 150 words:

$3 \times 5 = 15$

- a) How did Hillary and Tenzing prepare themselves before they set off to the summit.

(OR)

Narrate the humorous incidents that happened in the author's home before and after the arrival of the chair.

- b) What makes Ulysses seek newer adventures?

(OR)

Explain how the poet guides his son who is at the threshold of manhood, to face the challenges of life.

- c) Develop the hints and write a paragraph:

Ausable - a secret agent - Flower, a writer wanted to interview - Ausable was not impressive - did not fit into Fowler's imagination - went to his room - on the sixth floor - electrified by Max - came to take important notes - about new missiles - Ausable misled Max - about an imaginary balcony - Henry, the attendant knocked - Ausable mentioned about the police - Max fell down from the window - Ausable proved - as a perfect secret agent - outwitted the deadly criminal.

(OR)

A group of kids live on Venus - the sun shines once in seven years - only for an hour - It rains almost nonstop - Margot, stands apart from others - she came from the Earth - Scientists predict the sun's appearance - on a particular day - Margot remembers the Sun - the other kids bully her - Margot yearns to see the sun - the kids prevent her - shut her in a closet - for an hour - the kids enjoy - the rain starts - the children - return back - remember Margot - feel guilty - open the door and let Margot out.
