

**CLASS: 10**Register  
Number**COMMON HALF YEARLY EXAMINATION - 2023-24****ENGLISH**

Time Allowed : 3.00 Hours]

[Max. Marks : 100

**PART - I SECTION - I**

Note : Answer all the question

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

14x1=14

Choose the appropriate Synonyms for the Italized words.

- Then I sat in silent dejection.  
(a) Success (b) Happiness (c) Confidence (d) Sorrow
- His Father was preening the feathers on his white back.  
(a) Sharpening (b) Cleaning (c) Painting (d) Cutting
- Flashlights shots streaks of glam up and down the wall.  
(a) Scales (b) Rays (c) Shades (d) Signals
- Choose the appropriate Antonyms for the Italized words.
- We also read books when the weather was Pleasant.  
(a) Gloomy (b) Cool (c) Nice (d) Gracious
- His nerves seemed overwrought for some reason.  
(a) Excited (b) Tensed (c) Cool (d) Upset
- I want you to be very attentive  
(a) Careful (b) Cautious (c) Considerate (d) Inattentive
- Choose the correct Plural form of army from the following.  
(a) armies (b) armi (c) armys (d) armie
- Form a derivation by adding the right Suffix to the word Imprison --  
(a) - ly (b) -ism (c) -sion (d) -ment
- Choose the correct expansion of the abbreviation GPS  
(a) Geometric Position System (b) Global Positioning System  
(c) Global Pointing structure (d) Globe Position System
- Complete the following sentence with the most appropriate Phrasal Verb given below.  
The Airhostess instructed the passengers to wear seat belt during the -----  
(a) take on (b) take in (c) take off (d) take of
- Choose the suitable option to pair it with the word blue to form a Compound word.  
(a) Out (b) Cross (c) Wash (d) Room
- Fill in the blank with the most appropriate Article given below.  
One of the students shouted, "----- principal is coming up".  
(a) a (b) an (c) the (d) no article
- Complete the following sentence using the most appropriate tense form of verb given below.  
The students ----- the test now.  
(a) is writing (b) was writing (c) are writing (d) write
- Choose the most appropriate Linker from the given alternative.  
----- a car, he owns a jeep.  
(a) In addition to (b) contrary to (c) in order to (d) according to

**PART - II****SECTION - I**

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

3x2=6

- What were the various things that tempted little Franz to spend the day outdoors?
- What prompted the young Seagull to fly finally?
- Why do you think Mrs. Bodwell wanted to sell the house?
- Who were Aditya's ancestors? Why did he decide to visit his ancestral Home?

**SECTION - II**

Read the following set of poetic lines and answer any three of the following

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- Let us remember, whenever we are told

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*To hate our brother, it is ourselves.*

- (a) Who tells us to hate our brothers?  
 (b) What happens when we hate our brothers?
20. *Says the ant to the Cricket, "I'm your servant and Friend,  
 But we ants never borrow; we ants never lend.*  
 (a) What does the ant say to the Cricket?  
 (b) What rule do the ants follow?
21. *In the dim past, nor holding back in fear.  
 From what the Future veils; but with a whole.*  
 (a) What does the poet mean by the phrase "In the dim past"?  
 (b) Is the poet afraid of Future?
22. *It is a very mysterious place,  
 And inside you can tell it has a ton of space.*  
 (a) What does 'it' refer to?  
 (b) Pick out the line that indicate the size of the house?

**SECTION – III**

Answer any three of the following.

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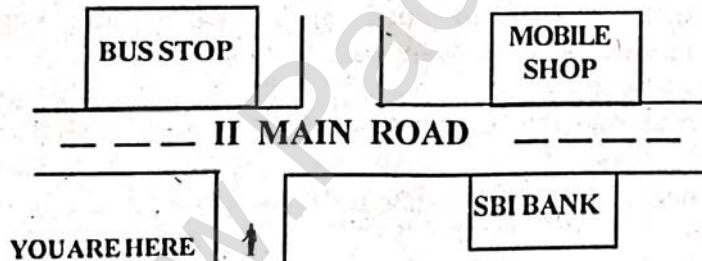
23. Rewrite the following sentence in Other Voice.  
 The Chinese discovered acupuncture thousands of years ago.
24. Rewrite the sentence Using Indirect Speech.  
 Babu said to Gopu, "I will go to Bangalore tomorrow".
25. Punctuate the following sentence.  
 Uncle philip died when tom was 37 years old.
26. Combine the following sentences into a Simple Sentence.  
 Arun had completed his work. He went out for a walk.
27. Rearrange the words in the correct order. to make meaningful sentence.  
 (a) crumbled down / a portion / the / had / of / a wall / attic / of.  
 (b) warrior / a / muran / brave / China / enemies/ saved / from.

**SECTION – IV**

1x2=2

Answer the following questions.

28. A stranger wants to visit the Mobile shop help him to reach his Destination.



**PART – III (SECTION – I)**

Answer any two of the following in a paragraph.

2x5=10

29. Technology is a boon to the disabled illustrate?  
 30. How did Holmes trap Mr. Culverton smith to confess the murder?  
 31. Give an account of the last day of M. Hamel in school?  
 32. Highlight the factors responsible for the all Women Indian Navy crew to carry out their expedition?

**SECTION – II**

Answer any two of the following.

2x5=10

33. Narrate the conversation between the Ant and the Cricket?  
 34. Where is the house located? Why is it a mysterious place?  
 35. Read the following poetic stanza and answer the questions given below.  
*We can pull and haul and push and lift and drive,  
 We can print and plough and weave and heat and light,  
 We can run and race and swim and fly and dive,  
 We can see and hear and count and read and writel*  
 (a) Pick out the rhyming words from the above line?

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- (b) Write the rhyme scheme of the given stanza?  
 (c) Identify the figure of speech employed in the first line?  
 (d) Pick out the alliterating words in the third line?

36. Paraphrase the following stanza

Remember no men are strange, no countries foreign  
 Beneath all uniforms, a single body breathes  
 Like ours the land our brothers walk upon  
 Is earth like this, in which we all shall lie.

SECTION – III

1x5=5

Answer any one of the following.

37. Rearrange the following sentences in coherent order.

- (a) He took care of the orderliness in the clinic.  
 (b) Zigzag was of a great trouble in the house.  
 (c) Dr.Krishnan was surprised of the sudden change in Zigzag.  
 (d) Gone was Zigzag's bored and Grumpy expression.  
 (e) Dr.Krishnan took him to the clinic. (OR)

38. Read the passage and answer the following.

Uncle Philip was the brother of Tom's father. He was an Inventor and a Mechanical Engineer. He called Tom and told him a strange story. He announced Tom as his heir and wanted him to pay for his funeral. Leaving an Iron box full of precious stones for Tom, His uncle instructed him not to shake the box. After a week, he died. Tom found a letter on the box, Which stated that the box contained a large number of Pigeon - Blood rubies, Diamonds and Pearls.

Questions:

- (a) Who was Uncle Philip?  
 (b) What was he?  
 (c) What did Uncle Philip announce and What was his demand?  
 (d) What was there in the Iron Box?  
 (e) What did Tom find?

SECTION – IV

4x5=20

Answer any four of the following.

39. Prepare an attractive advertisement using the hints given below:  
 Pen world - mightier than sword - variety of pens - different dazzling colours - writes smoothly - affordable prize - for gift -personal use.
40. Write a letter to the manager of a famous daily, ordering subscription for your School Library.
41. You are Akash / Aadhyta, the school pupil leader of GHSS. Salem. Prepare a notice on behalf of your school inviting all the students to take part in the Drawing competition which is to be held on the 20<sup>th</sup> of next month.
42. Look at the picture and express your views in about Five sentences.



43. Make Notes or write summary of the following passage.

An important part of a child's life is school, Which helps to mould their future. Every child has a fundamental right to an Education, and Schools are places where kids can learn, grow and get ready for adulthood. Children can acquire the Knowledge, Skills and Competencies necessary for their Intellectual development is one of the fundamental functions of schools. Parents need to

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understand the role of school in Child Development.

44. Identify the errors in the following sentences and rewrite them correctly.

- I bought an book this morning.
- Money make many things.
- Much water are wasted.
- Nithya is taller to Nivi.
- The scissors is kept on the table.

#### SECTION - V

45. Quote from memory:

1x5=5

O'er rough .....  
..... the best.

#### PART - IV

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

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(a) Holland - below sea level - years ago - little boy - Peter - one day - mother - gave cakes - old blind friend - of peter - across the dyke - Peter - visited - blind friend - returned - heard water trickling - small hole - put his finger - alerted the people - saved Holland.

(OR)

(b) Prospero - duke of milan - brother Antonio - overthrew - reached island - daughter miranda - released spirits - created storm - Ariel's help - bring Ferdinand - tested his constancy - forgave - realized mistakes - restored dukedom.

47. (a) Read the following Passage and answer the questions given below:

One of the most feared animals in the World is the shark. Most people are afraid of the great White Shark. It gets its name from its white belly. The top of the great white is grey which helps it blend in with the rocky bottom of the Ocean. Although some fish are bigger, like the whale shark, The great white can grow up to 20 feet long. They feed on the Tiny fish and Plants, the great white is Speedy and Aggressive. They have hundreds of Teeth that can grow up to three inches long. Human are its biggest threat. They kill them for their Fins or Teeth.

Questions:

- How did the great animal gets its name?
- What helps the Shark to survive in the Oceans?
- What do they feed on?
- Who threats them? Why are they killed?

(OR)

(b) Read the poetic lines and answer the questions given below .

*When the teacher talks, it's time to listen  
It's how you learn at School.  
Paying attention and doing your best  
Are the things that make you cool.*

*It's not the clothes you wear,  
Or the words you say,  
It's the way that you behave  
Which gets you on your way*

*So be good in class  
And remember this rhyme,  
When moving around.  
Think before doing  
And make the right choice.*

Questions:

- What do we learn at School?
- What makes you cool?
- What message do you get from this Poem?
- Give a suitable Title for the poem?

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