

HTM **HALF YEARLY EXAMINATION - 2023**
10 - Std
ENGLISH

Time : 3.15 Hrs

Marks : 100

PART - I

NOTE: (i) Answer all the questions. (ii) Choose the most appropriate answer from the given four alternative and write the option code and the corresponding answer.

Choose the appropriate synonyms for the italicized words.

14 x 1 = 14

1. They continue to grapple with the changes.
 a) Settle b) ~~flight~~ c) move d) stop
 2. His parents circled around raising a proud cackle.
 a) ~~Sharp~~ noise b) Blunt noise c) High pitch d) shout
 3. My grand father was asleep in the attic.
 a) bedroom b) room c) Kitchen d) ~~A~~ space in the roof
- Choose the appropriate antonym for the italicized words.
4. The project was taken in consonance with the national policy.
 a) constant b) harmony c) ~~Agreement~~ d) unique
 5. One can control the computer screen with a gaze.
 a) ~~blink~~ b) stare c) look d) trace
 6. Those are the times we have to be active.
 a) Dynamic b) Lively c) energetic d) ~~inactive~~
 7. Choose the correct plural form of 'child' from the following.
 a) Childs b) childrens c) childes d) ~~children~~
 8. Form a derivative by adding the right suffix to the word 'fashion'.
 a) ly b) ~~able~~ c) ty d) tion
 9. Choose the correct expansion of the abbreviation MRI.
 a) Magnified Resonance Imaging b) ~~Magnetic~~ Resonance Imaging
 c) Magnefied Reasoning Imagery d) Magnetic Resonance Imagery
 10. Choose the correct idioms that means 'difficult situation'.
 a) On the ball b) ~~In~~ deep waters c) On the wind d) On the go
 11. Choose the suitable option to pair with 'green' to form a compound word.
 a) dress b) glass c) pen d) ~~hours~~ *house*
 12. **Fill in the blanks with the most appropriate preposition given below.**
 He was the sea now.
 a) On b) To c) ~~Near~~ d) With
 13. Complete the following sentence by using the most appropriate form of the tense given below.
 He to the American academy of arts and letters.
 a) Elected b) ~~Was~~ elected c) Electing d) Has elected
 14. Choose the appropriate linkers from the given four alternatives.
 ----- I looked up, I saw Mr. Hamel sitting motionless.
 a) ~~When~~ b) How c) But d) Whenever

(PART - II) SECTION - 1

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

3 x 2 = 6

15. What was Frank ~~sorry~~ for?
16. Who used ~~either~~ and how?
17. What did Aditya offer Sanyal?
18. How does Kim help Alisha?

SECTION - II

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

3 x 2 = 6

19. *It sat alone what happened there is still today unknown.*
 a) What does 'it' refer b) What happened inside it?
20. *Despite the sighs and groans and moans she's strong in her faith, firm in her belief.*
 a) Is she complaining about the problems of life? b) Pick out the words that show her grit?
21. *Let me but live my life from year to year with forward face and unreluctant soul?*
 a) Whom does the word 'me' refer to? b) how does he want to live his life?
22. *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.*
 a) What is found beneath all uniforms? b) Where are we all going to lie finally?

SECTION - III

Answer any three of the following.

3 x 2 = 6

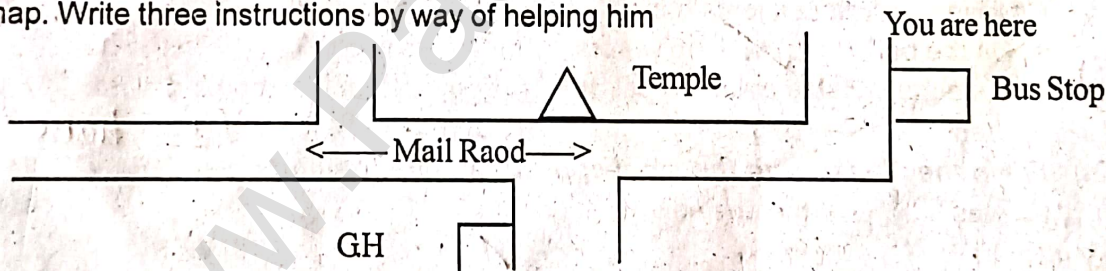
23. Rewrite the following sentence to the other voice. *All the questions were answered patiently by the salesman.*
 The salesman answered all the questions patiently.
24. Combine the sentence using a relative pronoun.
 Here is your watch,
 which has been found in the garden.
25. Punctuate the following:
 "Mother will be watching for me, he thought, and he began to run."
26. Transform the following sentence as directed. *Being a voracious reader, Varun buys a lot of books.*
 As Varun is a voracious reader, he buys a lot of books (into simple)
27. Rearrange the words in the correct order to make meaningful sentences.
 a) with / movements / David / his / the / controls / eye / computer
 b) at / once / church / clocks / twelve / all / struck / the / the / controls / eye / computer

SECTION - IV

28. Answer the following questions.

1 X 2 = 2

You are on the road and a stranger asks you to direct him to Government Hospital (G.H). Here you find road map. Write three instructions by way of helping him



PART - III (SECTION -- I)

Answer any Two of the following in a Paragraph.

2 x 5 = 10

29. How did Holmes trap Mr. Culverton Smith to confess the murder?
30. Technology is a boon to the disabled - Justify.
31. Give a detailed account of all thoughts and questions in the narrators mind while accompanying Aditya from the tea shop to Sanyal's house.
32. Narrate the extensive search operation made by the policemen in the house in the story the night the ghost got in?

SECTION - II

Answer any two of the following in paragraph.

2 x 5 = 10

33. Compare and contrast the attitude of the ant and the cricket?
34. Describe the central theme of the poem No men are foreign.

35. Read the following 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 write,

- a) Pick out of the rhyming words in above lines. b) Write the rhyme scheme of the given stanza.
c) Identify the figure of speech employed in the first line of the given stanza. *Personification*
d) Pick out the rhyming words in above lines. *Altered two dry lines*

36. Paraphrase the following poetic lines.

Still seeking what sought when but a boy
New friendship high adventure and a crown
My heart will keep the courage of the
And hope the roads last turn will be the best.

SECTION - I

Answer any one of the following.

37. Rearrange the following sentence in coherent order.

1 × 5 = 5

- i) The letter read that the box contained jewel.
- ii) The uncle had collected precious stones.
- iii) The narrator was sent for, by his uncle when he was on his death bed.
- iv) His uncle announced tom as his heir and wanted him to pay for his funeral.
- v) Leaving an iron box for tom, his uncle instructed him not to shake the box.

38. Read the following Passage and answer the question that follow.

Many years ago, China was in the middle of a great war. The emperor said that one man from each Chinese family must leave his family to join the army. Mulan, a teenage girl who lived in a far away Village of China heard the news when she was outside washing clothes. Mulan ran into the house. Her father was sitting on a chair, carving a piece of wood "Father!" she said, "Did you hear what the emperor says each family must do?" "Yes," said her old father, "I heard about it in town. Well, I may as well go pack up" he put down his carving, stood up and walked very slowly to his room.

QUESTIONS:

- a) What did the emperor say? b) Who was Mulan?
c) When did she hear news? d) What was her father doing? e) Where was her father?

SECTION - IV

Answer any four of the following.

4 × 5 = 20

39. Prepare an attractive advertisement using the hints given below.

Gorgeous and colourful dresses - Attractive prices - All types - men's wear kid's wear - buy one get one Aadi offer - Mega sale - No.5, North Usmaan Road, T.Nagar.

40. Write a letter to the manager of a famous daily ordering subscription for your school library.

41. You are the co-ordinator for the 'Kalai Thiruvizha', in your school write a notice about the competition to be held in your school campus.

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



43. Make a notes or write a summary of the following passage.

Elephant is the biggest land animal found on earth. It is a wild animal but after giving training it becomes a useful animal for man. It is a huge animal and its colour is grey. All the four legs of an elephant are as huge as pick pillars huge building. It has to big ears, which go on moving to and for

like a big fan. Its eyes are small. It has a short tail but its trunk is long. It is a wonderful thing. The elephant has long white tusks elephants are pure vegetarians. In olden time kings and dukes used to keep elephants for wars and battles. Bangles are made of its bones and tusks. Thus on elephant is really a boon for mankind.

44. Identify and correct the errors in the following sentences.

a) One of the boys ^{is} are missing.

b) Sita ^{went} goes to the market yesterday.

c) I bought ^{an} a book this morning.

d) He is angry ^{with} on me.

e) I prefer coffee ^{to} than tea.

SECTION - V

45. Quote from memory.

Remember no men..... air and watch.

1 × 5 = 5

PART - IV

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

1 × 8 = 8

Poor farmer - happy and peaceful - aged mother - Shining Governor - death of all aged - farmer - mother mountain - little food - brought her back - kitchen - order - rope of ashes - twisted statues - governor amazed - mother's wit - abolished law. (OR)

Dr. Ashok - entrusts his - pet bird - Dr. Krishnan - children excited of his entry - it can speak - 21 languages - Zigzag - sleeps - heavy snore - Mrs Krishnan - not happy - shouts and asks for solutions - Dr Krishnan - takes zigzag to clinic - zigzag take care of- clinic - all surprised zigzag commands - Dr.Krishnan happy.

PART - V

Read the following paragraph and answer the questions given below.

4 × 2 = 8

Charlie chaplin's birth through he had many nick names growing up such as Charlie, chairlot and the little tramp. His first onstage moment was when he was 5 years old. He came to the united states in 1910 at the age of 21. He was brought to new york. Which was known to be a great place to start out for anyone trying to become a professional actor. Two years later in 1913 chaplin signed his very first contract at keystone.

QUESTIONS:

a) What was chaplin's birth name?

b) When did he sign his first contract?

c) Where did he come in his early twenties?

d) State whether True (or) False

Newyork is a great place for those who want to be a professional actor.

(OR)

Read the following poem and answer the questions given below.

Oh! Anger is an ugly thing

And spoils the fairest face.

It cometh like a rainy cloud

Upon a sunny place

One angry moment often does

What we repent for years.

It works the wrong we never make right

By sorrows or by tears

The hand of peace is frank and warm

And soft as ringdove's wing

And he who quells an angry thought

Is greater than a king.

QUESTIONS:

1. Which one spoils thle fairest face?

2. How does anger come?

3. Which bird is the symbol at peace?

4. Who is greater than a king?