

**Class : 8**

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**COMMON HALF YEARLY EXAMINATION - 2023-24**

Time Allowed : 2.30 Hours]

**ENGLISH**

[Max. Marks : 100

**SECTION - A (Vocabulary)**

- I. Choose the appropriate synonyms for the italicized words. 3X1=3
- Miniature paintings *depict* Indian Culture.
    - Warp
    - Twist
    - Portray
    - Safe
  - The poor woman is in a *Panic*.
    - Fear
    - Grid
    - Crash
    - Joy
  - Asif *quarreled* with his friend.
    - Fought
    - Differ
    - Peace
    - Fun
- II. Choose the appropriate antonyms for italicized words. 3X1=3
- Vetri had a *strong* will to start a new business.
    - Desire
    - Thin
    - Weak
    - Calm
  - I was really *Scared*.
    - Afraid
    - Bold
    - Fear
    - Cried
  - She picked it up with *delight* and wore it.
    - Pleasure
    - Joy
    - Displeasure
    - Happy
- III. Expand the following abbreviation and acronyms: 3x1=3
- FIR
  - WHO
  - ECG
- IV. Find out the Clipped words. 3x1=3
- Aeroplane
  - Exhibition
  - Kilogram
- V. Match the Compound Words: 3x1=3
- Match - Machine
  - Blood - Box
  - Sewing - Bank
16. Write the meaning of the Phrasal Verb, "Look after". 3x1=3
- Resemble
  - Take care of
  - Examine
17. Fill in the blanks by using correct Preposition.  
Christmas falls ----- 25<sup>th</sup> December.  
  - on
  - in
  - at
18. Fill in the blanks using would you or Could you.  
----- please open the door?

**SECTION - B (Grammar)****VI. Match the following Compound words:**

Positive Degree	Comparative	Superlative Degree
19. Tall		Tallest
20. Beautiful	more beautiful	most beautiful
21. Strong	Stronger	
22. Hot		Hottest

4x1=4

**VII. Match the following.**

- If they worked hard - She will come to our party
- If I invite Shalini - I would have bought these shoes
- If I had got enough money - They would win

3x1=3

**VIII. Fill in the blanks with suitable Collective Noun.**

- (Shower, Flock, Pair, Bottle)
- a ----- milk
  - a ----- of rain
  - a ----- of shoes
  - a ----- of birds.

4x1=4

**IX. Syllabify the following words.**

- School
- English
- Assembly
- Popular

4x1=4

**X. Fill in the blanks with suitable Conjunction:**

- Every one likes him ----- he is very helpful. (because / for)
- it was cloudy, we decided to take an Umbrella. (so / as)
- Rathi found her watch ----- she had left it. (wherever / where)
- he was ill, he went to the Doctor. (as / though)

4x1=4

**XI. Choose the right pattern:**

- The Wall collapsed
  - SV
  - SVO
  - SVIODO
- Pooja hired a bicycle.
  - SV
  - SVO
  - SVA
- In 1998, Frank moved to London.
  - SV
  - ASVA
  - SVIODO
- During the war, many people lost their homes.
  - SVO
  - SVIODO
  - ASVO

4x1=4

**XII. Fill in the blanks with appropriate Tense form of the verbs:**

- Manju ----- (call) after she reached home.

3x1=3

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43. The bus ----- (leave) the stop before we could ----- catch it.  
 44. When the Burglars broke into the house, everyone ----- (be) sleeping.

**SECTION - C (Prose)****XIII. Answer any five of the following questions.**

45. Who was suspected of stealing the diamond nose stud?  
 46. What was Ajay gifted with?  
 47. What happened to Ajay at the age of Three?  
 48. Who was taking care of Newton after his Father's death?  
 49. How were the rooms arranged in Tagore's House?  
 50. What is must in every house hold?  
 51. What is Street Smart?

5x2=10

**XIV. Answer any one of the following.**

52. How did Ajay's Father find his son's Talent?  
 53. Why did the sparrow throw the nose jewel into Ramayya's house?  
 54. Write about Road Safety rules.

1x5=5

**SECTION - D (Poem)****XV. Quote from memory:**

55. A thing of beauty .....  
 ..... and quiet breathing.

1x5=5

**XVI. Read the following sets of poetic lines and answer the questions given below:**

*Mistress, Master, hear me yelp.  
 I'm out of doors, I want your help  
 Let me in - oh, LET ME IN  
 Before those fire work begin.*

3x2=6

56. Write the rhyming scheme of the above poetic lines.

*There is something special  
 About a father's love*

57. Identify the alliteration in the given lines.

*My hobby is reading  
 It helps me  
 In thought breeding.*

58. Pick out the rhyming words

**XVII. Answer any one of the following in a paragraph.**

59. Write a paragraph on the father's love as described in the poem?  
 60. How is a thing of beauty a Joy Forever? Why do we suffer?  
 61. Why was the dog frightened? Whom did the dog ask for help?

1x5=5

**SECTION - E (Supplementary)****XVIII. Identify the character:**

62. He is one of my friends.  
 63. Tell the boatman how pleased I am with him.

1x1=1

**Match the following:**

64. Man at the Toll gate - Wise  
 65. John - Flashing a Torch  
 66. Black Beauty - had many stories to tell

3x1/2=1 1/2

**XIX. Choose the correct answer.**

67. The bridge was broken in the -----  
 a) Front                      b) Rear                      c) Middle                      d) Up  
 68. Black Beauty dared do not move even to the sharp snap of the -----  
 a) Stick                      b) Thread                      c) Whip                      d) Kick  
 69. The train would come at -----  
 a) One O' clock                      b) Twelve O'clock                      c) Two O' clock                      d) Eleven O' clock

3x1/2=1 1/2

**XX. Answer any three of the following questions.**

70. When did Jim Corbett die?  
 71. What was the name of Corbett's dog?  
 72. Did Black Beauty like to pull the cart?  
 73. Why did the King advise to go to the Magicians?  
 74. Describe the Bridge.

2x3=6

**SECTION - F (Writing Skills)****XXI. Answer any three of the following.**

75. Your School is going to organize an inter - school singing competition. Write a notice for you school notice board inviting all the interested students.

3x5=15

**76. Develop the following hints:**

A wood cutter - cutting wood - dropped his axe 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 accept - brought an iron axe - accepted - please with the honesty - offered all the axes to him.

**77. Letter Writing.**

Write a letter to your father asking permission to go on an Educational Tour.

78. Write a letter to the Police Commissioner about the noise caused by the Loud speaker in a music shop near your school.

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