

COMMON HALF YEARLY EXAMINATION - 2023

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Standard - VIII

Time : 2.30 hrs

ENGLISH

Marks: 100

Section-A

Part-I

I. Choose the appropriate Synonyms of the underlined word:-

5×1=5

- The poor woman is in a Panic (a) fear (b) grid (c) crash
- What is the secret you are whispering?
a) rumouring (b) murmuring (c) shouting
- Ajay started to paint happily a) unhappily b) sadly (c) joyfully
- Issac was remarkable for his ingenuity (a) notable (b) common (c) neglected
- Some automobiles are hazardous. a) safe (b) dangerous (c) friendly

II. Choose the appropriate Antonyms of the underlined word:-

5×1=5

- It is a latest mobile. a) new (b) outdated (c) modern
- We should use our mobile safely (a) unsafely (b) harmless (c) careful
- Ilavazhagi won world championship in 2008. (a) lost (b) succeed (c) attain
- Issac was usually busy with his tools. a) common (b) unwantedly (c) rarely
- His Grandma was very kind to him a) loving (b) cruel (c) respectful

Part - II

III. Find the clipped words for the following:-

5×1=5

- automobile - Auto
- telephone - Phone
- gasoline - gas
- Photograph - Photo
- Kilogram - kilo

IV. Choose the best answer to make a compound word:-

3×1=3

- Soft - a) play (b) ware (c) run
- Safe - a) shop (b) chair (c) guard
- air - (a) port (b) fall (c) box

V. Pickout the correct homophone:-

2×1=2

- I will _____ my friend. (meat/meet)
- I have _____ the movie already. (Seen/Scene)

Part - C

VI. Write the plural form of the given words:-

2×1=2

- Syllabus - syllabi
- datum - data

VII. Pick a suitable prefix and suffix from the given box.

3×1=3

- Comfortable (mis, ful, able, ship)
- understand (mis)
- friend ship

VIII. Syllabify the following words:-

3×1=3

- School - school
- Teacher - teacher
- laboratory - labo/ratory

IX. Find out the blended words for the following:-

2×1=2

- Motor + hotel = motel
- electronic + mail = Email

Section - B

X. Answer any five of the following:-

5×2=10

- What should every household have?
- In what ways the river and its bank have changed?
- How did the young boy find the strength of the wind?
- Who was taking care of Newton after his father's death?
- What was Ajay gifted with?
- What is Ajay's current goal?
- Where did the sparrows build the nest?

XI. Answer any one of the following in about 100 words:-

1×5=5

- Write about Ilavazhagi and her achievements
- Write about road safety rules.

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XII. Match the following Idioms:-

5×1=5

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| 1) A piece of cake | - | Lazy person |
| 2) On cloud nine | - | making a mistake |
| 3) At a Snail's pace | - | Very happy |
| 4) A couch potato | - | easy task |
| 5) Drop the ball | - | moving slowly |

XIII. Choose the correct conjunction:-

5×1=5

- 1) Rani and Ravi are friends. (and, or)
- 2) Siva is intelligent but careless. (though/but)
- 3) AS he was ill, he went to the doctor. (as/though)
- 4) Every one likes him because he is very helpul. (for, because)
- 5) If you work hard, you will score good marks. (if, unless)

XIV. Fill in the blanks:

5×1=5

- 1) _____ was the servant maid.
- 2) Ajay mastered the technique of _____
- 3) Issac constructed a model of the _____
- 4) The author's brother's name is _____
- 5) We should put on _____ to avoid sunburn.

XV. Quote from memory poem:-

5×1=5

From: I felt

To: so lucky

XVI. Answer the questions below:-

5×1=5

- 1) I just wanted you to know
That you're my special hero
a) Who is the speaker? poet b) Who is the special hero? Father
- 2) My hobby is reading
It keeps my rational
Doors ajar: opening slightly
a) What is the hobby of the poet? Reading
b) What does 'ajar' means? Every one
c) What is the theme of the poem? hobby

XVII. Answer any one of the following in about 100 words: we should have 5×1=5

- a) What do you understand from the poem "My hobby Reading"?
- b) What is the message of the poem "Making Life Worth While"?

Section - C

XVIII. Choose the best answer:-

5×1=5

- 1) The strange lady gave _____ to Arun.
a) tea and baji b) tea and cake c) tea and samosas
- 2) Arun was sitting on platform _____
a) No. 7 b) No. 8 c) No. 9
- 3) How many kills did the champawat Tiger record _____
a) 436 b) 426 c) 416
- 4) The hermit lived in a _____
a) cottage b) palace c) wood
- 5) The bridge was broken in the _____
a) front b) middle c) up

XIX. Identify the character/speaker:-

5×1=5

- 1) Good bye mother — Arun
- 2) But I apply the Secret? — Moti
- 3) Now rest a while - let me work a bit? — Sathish
- 4) He is one of my friends. — Jim
- 5) He did not like to kill wild animals for pleasure. — Corbett

XX. Answer any one of the following question:-

1×5=5

- a) How was the chapawat tiger killed?
- b) What were the answers to the three questions?

XXI. Letter writing:-

1×5=5

- a) Write a letter to your father asking permission to go on an educational tour.

XXII. Prepare a notice:-

1×5=5

- a) Your school is going to organize an inter-school dance competition. Write a notice for your school notice board inviting all the interested students.

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