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Virudhunagar District  
Common First Revision Test - January 2024



## Standard 10 ENGLISH

Time allowed: 3 hours

Maximum Marks: 100

### PART - I

14×1=14

**Note:** i) Answer all the questions.

ii) Choose the most appropriate answer and write the option code with corresponding answer.

**Choose the appropriate synonyms for the italicised words:**

- 1) When school began, there was a bustle.  
a) rush                      b) change                      c) noise                      d) confusion
- 2) The whole family was laughing at his cowardice.  
a) strength                      b) bravery                      c) courage                      d) lack of bravery
- 3) But something choked him.  
a) praised                      b) blocked                      c) answered                      d) encouraged

**Choose the appropriate antonyms for the italicised words:**

- 4) The light still shone palely down the stains.  
a) dim                      b) weak                      c) bright                      d) faint
- 5) The cops were reluctant to leave without getting their hand.  
a) eager                      b) unwilling                      c) opposed                      d) averse
- 6) So we can now look forward to a more inclusive way of learning.  
a) further                      b) ahead                      c) proceed                      d) backward
- 7) **Choose the correct plural form of cupful from the following:**  
a) cupful                      b) cupsful                      c) cupfuls                      d) cupfully
- 8) **From a derivative by adding the right suffix to the word: "Music"**  
a) ion                      b) ly                      c) ian                      d) able
- 9) **Choose the correct expansion of the abbreviation "SIM".**  
a) Subscriber Identification Module                      b) System Identification Module  
c) Subscriber Identification Model                      d) System Identification Model
- 10) **Complete the following sentence with the most appropriate phrasal verb given below:**  
I'm really lucky because I don't \_\_\_\_\_ weight easily.  
a) put out                      b) put on                      c) put down                      d) put off
- 11) **Choose the suitable option to pair with the word "Table" to form a compound word:**  
a) food                      b) hole                      c) spoon                      d) book
- 12) **Fill in the blank with the most appropriate preposition given below:**  
I would the towel \_\_\_\_\_ me again.  
a) at                      b) ovalory                      c) infront of                      d) around
- 13) **Complete the following sentence using the most appropriate Tense from of the verb given below:**  
The poem \_\_\_\_\_ about the multifaceted nature of women.  
a) is talking                      b) talked                      c) talks                      d) has talked
- 14) **Choose the most appropriate linker from the given options:**  
Call me \_\_\_\_\_ you need money.  
a) so that                      b) in case                      c) in order that                      d) though

### PART - II

#### Section - 1

**Answer any three of the following questions in a sentence or two:** 3×2=6

- 15) What prompted the young seagull to fly finally?
- 16) Who used the Zither and how?
- 17) Mention the special features of INSV Tarini.
- 18) What was Franz sorry for?

#### Section - 2

**Read the following sets of poetic lines and answer ANY THREE of the following:**

3×2=6

- 19) **At night the house seems to be alive,  
Lights flicker on and off**  
a) When does the house seem to be alive?  
b) What happened in the house at night?

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- 20) Remember they have eyes like our hert wake  
Or sleep, and strength that can be won.  
a) Who have eyes like ours?  
b) What can be won by love?
- 21) We were taken from the ore-bed and the mine  
We were melted in the furnace and the pit.  
a) Who is the speaker here?  
b) Where are the metals melted?
- 22) They growl at that and they growl at his;  
Whatever comes, there is something a miss;  
a) What does the word 'growl' mean here?  
b) Why do they find everything a miss?

## Section - 3

Answer ANY THREE of the following:

3×2=6

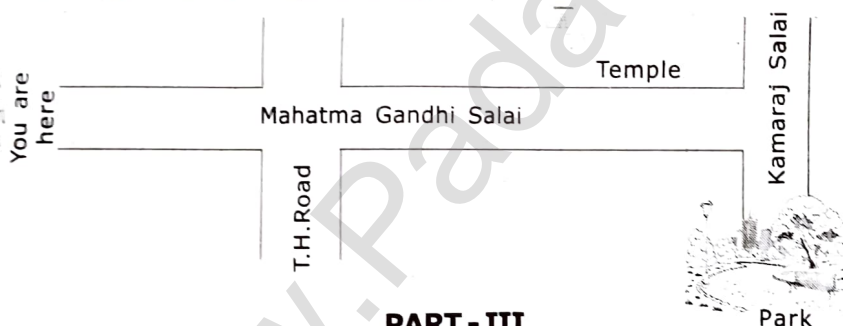
- 23) Rewrite the following sentence in other Passive voice:  
Will you help me?
- 24) Rewrite the sentence in Reported speech:  
Alisha said people in Africa are starving.
- 25) Punctuate the following sentence:  
tell him i am busy she said
- 26) Combine the following sentence into a simple sentence:  
As he was honest, everyone praised him.
- 27) Rearrange the words in the correct order to make meaningful sentences:  
a) speaks / Ruben / besides / German / languages / two  
b) jewels / in / my / safe / are / my

## Section - 4

Answer the following question:

1×2=2

- 28) A stranger wants to go to the park. Guide him to reach his destination.



## PART - III

## Section - 1

Answer ANY TWO of the following in a paragraph:

2×5=10

- 29) How did the young seagull overcome its fear of flying?  
30) 'Technology is a boon to the disabled', Justify.  
31) Describe the visitor's experience in his old house.  
32) Life cannot exist on earth without water - Explain.

## Section - 2

Answer ANY TWO of the following:

2×5=10

- 33) How is mystery depicted in the poem, The house on Elms street?  
34) Describe the journey of life as depicted in the poem by Henry Van Dyke.  
35) Read the following stanza and answer the questions given below:  
She's a lioness, don't mess with her  
She'll not spare you if your'e a prankster,  
Don't ever try to saw her pride her self-respect,  
She knows how to thaw you, saw you; so beware,  
a) Pick out the rhyming words from the given stanza.  
b) Give the rhyme scheme for the given stanza.  
c) Identify the figure of speech employed in the first line of the given stanza.  
d) Pick out the alliterating words in the third line.



36) **Paraphrase the following stanza:**

Beside the house sits a tree,  
It never grows leaves,  
Not in the winter, spring, summer or fall  
It just sits there, never getting small or ever growing tall.

**Section - 3****Answer ANY ONE of the following:****1×5=5**37) **Rearrange the following sentences in coherent order:**

- i) The war was over and China was saved.
- ii) Mulan ordered the soldiers to hide so they could attack the enemy.
- iii) Mulan heard about the surprise attack.
- iv) She got dressed and went outside.
- v) No one cared anymore that Mulan was a woman.

38) **Read the following passage and answer the questions that follow:**

The rubies are valuable. They are in my safe at the trust company. Before you unlock the box, be careful to read a letter which lies on top it; and be sure not to shake the box. He died that day next week, and was handsomely buried. The box after, his will was found leaving me his heir. I opened his safe and found in it nothing but an iron box, evidently of his own making, for he was a skilled workman and very ingenious. The box was heavy and strong.

1. What was on the top of the box?
2. Where are the rubies kept?
3. What should the narrator do before unlocking the box?
4. Was the box heavy and strong?
5. Who was buried handsomely?

**Section - 4****Answer ANY FOUR of the following:****4×5=20**39) **Prepare an attractive advertisement using the hints given below:**

Mobile Galaxy - smart phones - accessories - SIM cards - Recharge - Free power banks on Mobile purchase - No. 1, Toll Gate, Trichy.

40) **Write a letter to the manager of a famous daily ordering subscription for your school library.**41) **You are Ganesh / Gayathri Head boy / Head Girl, of your school. Write a notice for your school board informing the students about the 'Fancy Fete' that is going to be organised in your school campus on the 10th of next month.**42) **Look at the following picture and express your views on it in about five sentences:**43) **Make notes or write summary of the following passage:**

Dragon tales are known in many culture from the America to Europe and from India to China. It's not clear when or where stories of dragons first emerged, but the huge flying serpents were described by the ancient Greeks and Sumerians.

The word 'dragon' comes from the ancient Greek word 'draconta', meaning 'to watch' suggesting that the dragons are responsible for guarding valuables. Dragons typically guard treasures such as mountains of gold coins or gems some dragons have wings; others don't. Some dragons breathe fire others can't some are only a few foot long: others span miles. Some live under the ocean; others can only be found in cave and inside the mountains.

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44) **Identify the errors in the following sentences and rewrite them correctly:**

- Money make many things.
- She is sleeping for five hours.
- One of the girls sang well.
- Nithya is taller to Nivi.
- He is good athlete.

Section - 5

45) **Quote from memory:**

1×5=5

Remember no men .....  
 ..... air and water.

**PART - IV**46) **Write a paragraph of about 150 words by developing the following hints:**

2×8=16

- There was an island - prospero and his daughter Miranda - Ariel was the chief - storm created - Ferdinand and Miranda - Prospero ungentle - Prospero's brother - king of Naples - repented - Ariel - dismissed.

(OR)

- Zigzag's behaviour at Krishnan's home - Dr. Krishnan had told them - Dr. Somu sent a reply - Mr. Krishnan paint peacefully - Zigzag a great help.

47) a) **Read the following paragraph and answer the questions that follow:**

Compared to motor bike or a car, the bicycle is a slow moving vehicle but its popularity has been on the increase in recent years. There are many reasons for this. First the bicycle is the cheapest mode of transport which does not require petrol or diesel as a car or motor bike does. In these days of fuel shortage this is a decided advantage. It is small. Light weighted, convenient and draws its power from the rider. There are no parking problems. It takes one to destination with more certainty than cars or large motor bikes which are often held up in traffic jams.

It causes no noise, no smoke and it is eco-friendly as it produces no pollution. Finally riding a bicycle is a good exercise which reduces the blood sugar and tones up one's heart and muscles. As a result it makes one keep away from the doctor forever.

**Questions:**

- What is the most important reason for the popularity of the bicycle?
- How is a bicycle convenient to reach one's destination of travel?
- How does cycling keep us fit?
- Give one more reason for the popularity of the bicycle.

(OR)

b) **Read the following poem and answer the questions given below:**

Where the mind is without fear and the head is held high,  
 Where the knowledge is free,  
 When the world has not been broken-up into fragments.  
 By narrow domestic walls,  
 Where the words come out from the depth of truth  
 Where tireless striving stretches its arms towards perfection  
 Where the clear stream of reason has not lost its way  
 Into the dreary desert sand of dead habit  
 Where the mind is led forward by thee  
 Into ever - widening thought and action  
 Into that heaven of freedom, my father, let my country awake.

**Questions:**

- What does Tagore pray for?
- How should every word come from?
- What has lost its way?
- Where is the mind led forward?