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Tenkasi District  
Common Half Yearly Examination - 2023



15-12-2023.

Time: 3.00 Hours

**Standard 9**  
**ENGLISH**  
**Part - I**

Marks: 100

i) Answer all the questions.

14x1=14

Choose the appropriate synonyms for the underlined words.

- 1) I want to pursue cricket seriously  
a) give                      b) follow                      c) play                      d) work
- 2) He did not look prosperous  
a) flourishing              b) poor                      c) normal                      d) weak
- 3) He was very frightened  
a) undaunted              b) valiant                      c) brave                      d) afraid

Choose the appropriate antonyms for the underlined words.

- 4) I will complete the duty today  
a) accomplish              b) achieve                      c) finish                      d) incomplete
- 5) Seventeen oranges were hidden  
a) exposed                      b) masked                      c) concealed                      d) buried
- 6) Water is dropping  
a) falling                      b) flowing                      c) rising                      d) draining
- 7) Frame sentences on your own using the Homonym 'sea'
- 8) **Choose the correct plural form 'shelf' from the following**  
a) Shelves                      b) shelves                      c) shelves                      d) shelf
- 9) **Form a derivative by adding the right prefix to the word 'light'**  
a) in                      b) en                      c) un                      d) il
- 10) Write an anagram using the word '**VIEWER**'
- 11) **Fill in the blank with the most appropriate prepositional verb**  
Johnsy ..... stay at a hotel, when she visited Delhi  
a) Planned to              b) attend to                      c) believe                      d) care for
- 12) **Fill in the blank with the suitable degrees**  
Vegetables are ..... than pizza  
a) healthiest                      b) healthy                      c) as healthy                      d) healthier
- 13) **Choose the most appropriate prepositions**  
I was studying ..... the morning  
a) on                      b) in                      c) between                      d) at
- 14) **Choose the suitable modal verb**  
Students ..... be quiet, when they write the exam  
a) must                      b) ought to                      c) dare                      d) might

**Part - II**  
**Section - I**

Answer any three :

3x2=6

- 15) What did Achrekar inform Ajit?
- 16) What was the local super stitions about tree?
- 17) Who is pongo?
- 18) Which is the real elixir of life according to the writer?
- 19) Who came to rescue the children?

**Section - II**

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

3x2=6

- 20) "I was angry with my friend;  
I told my wrath, my wrath did end"  
a) Whom does 'I' refer to?  
b) How did the anger of the poet come to an end?

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- 21) "Oh no, no" said the little fly, "kind sir, that cannot be I've heard what's in your pantry, and I do not wish to see"
- Is the fly willing to enter the spider's pantry?
  - Can you guess what was in the pantry?
- 22) "It takes much time to kill a tree  
Not a simple jab of the knife will do it"
- Can a 'simple jab of the knife kill a tree?
  - Why does it take much time to kill a tree?
- 23) "He gives his harness bells a shake  
to ask if there is some mistake"
- Why does he give his harness bell shake?
  - Whom does 'he' refer to in these lines.

## Section - III

Answer any three of the following

3x2=6

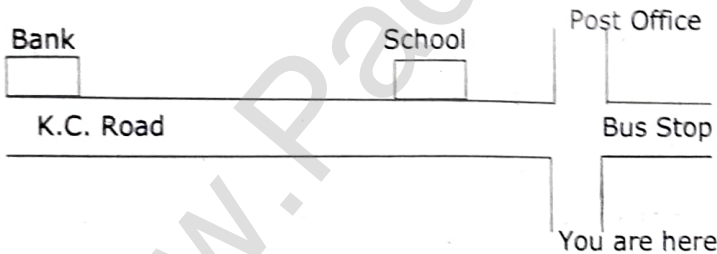
- 24) Rewrite the following sentence to other voice.  
The team leader presented the report
- 25) Identify the non-finitive, infinitive verb
- I like to give you a gift
  - Do you want to go outside
- 26) Change into comparative degree  
Akil is not so wise as Ram.
- 27) Punctuate the following sentence  
and its probably time for Tommy too

## Section - IV

- 28) Answer the following question

1x2=2

A stranger wants to go to the bank. Guide him to reach his destination.



## Part - III

## Section - I

Answer any two of the following

2x5=10

- 29) Narrate in your words the hardship's undergone by Sachin to become a good cricketer.
- 30) Water exists in all plant and animal forms - Explain
- 31) Imagine yourself as the writer, narrate the story of your ancestral house.
- 32) Narrate the clever strategy followed by Clem Jones to deceive Pongo.

## Section - II

Answer any two of the following.

2x5=10

- 33) How did the poet's anger with his friend end?
- 34) Write a character sketch of the spider.
- 35) Read the following stanza and answer the questions given below.
- He gives his harness bells a shake  
To ask if there is some mistake  
The only other sound the sweep  
Of easy wind and downy flake.

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**Questions:**

- i) Pick out the rhyming words.
  - ii) Write the rhyme scheme of the given stanza
  - iii) Identify the figure of speech employed in the first line
  - iv) Pick out the alliterating words.
- 36) **Paraphrase the following stanza**

Then he came out to his door again  
   and merrily did sing  
 Come hither, hither, pretty fly, with the  
   pearl silver wing  
 Your robes are green and purple, there's  
   crest upon your head

**Section - III****Answer any one of the following****1x5=5**

- 37) **Rearrange the following sentences in coherent order**

- 1) Since all her methods failed, finally she gave him a pain - killer
- 2) The pain-killer triggered adverse reactions on peter.
- 3) Tom was dull and depressed
- 4) So, Aunt polly tried different types of remedies on him
- 5) But, Tom gave that pain - killer to the cat peter.

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

Tommy looked at her with very superior eyes, because it's not our kind of school, stupid. This is the old kind of school that they had hundreds and hundreds of years ago. He pronouncing the word carefully "centuries ago".

**Questions.**

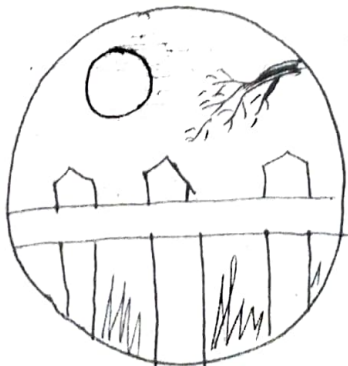
- 1) How did Tommy look at Margie?
- 2) How old was the old king of school?
- 3) Why was margie hurt?
- 4) How did she read the book?
- 5) What did she say finally?

**Section - IV****Answer any Four of the following****4x5=20**

- 39) **Prepare an attractive advertisement using the hints given below.**

Hurry - 50% off - Group tours - limited seats - Tamil travels - Malaysia - Rs.20,00 - accomodation, sight seeing - book now - Tours and Travels - M.G.Road, Bangalore.

- 40) Your friend who lives in another town / city has his / her championship trophy in the recent sports meet. Write a letter congratulating him / her.
- 41) Write a paragraph on '**Global warming**'
- 42) **Look at the following picture and express your views on it in about five sentences**





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- 43) **Identify and correct the errors in the following sentences.**
- Neither Jack nor Jill fetched any water
  - This is a hardly put to crack
  - One of the boy has won a prize
  - Ram as well as shyam are intelligent
  - He asked that where I was going to

**Section - V**

- 44)
- Quote from Memory:**

1x5=5

"River, river! ..... mortal prime".

**Part - IV**

2x8=16

- 45)
- Write a paragraph in about 150 words.**

a) Describe the appearance of Little cyclone

**(OR)**

b) Describe the mechanical teacher in Margies' classroom in your own words.

- 46)
- Read the following paragraph and answer the questions give below.**

I'm Severn Suzuki, speaking for ECO, the environmental children's organization. We've raised all the money to come here ourselves, to come 5,000 miles to tell you adults you must change your ways. In Canada, we live the privileged life with plenty of food, water and shelter. We have, watches, bicycles, computers and television sets, "I can't stop thinking that those children are of my own age; that is makes a tremendous difference where you are born; that I could be one of the children living in the favelas of Rio, I could be a starving in somalia". I am only a child, yet I know that if all the money spent on war was spent on finding environmental answers, ending poverty and finding treaties, What a wonderful place this Earth World be.

**Questions.**

- Who found Eco?
- Which country mentioned here?
- Does Severn Sukuki line a privileged life?
- What is the child's wish?

**(OR)****Read the following poem and answer the questions given below.**

Two roads diverged in a yellow wood  
And sorry I could not travel both  
And be one traveller, long I stood  
And looked down one as far as I could  
To where it bent in the under growth  
Then took the other, as just as fair,

**Questions:**

- Where is the poet standing?
- What is the poet sorry for?
- What does the poet watch?
- How is the path?

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