

**S****MONTHLY TEST - 2024****Standard - X****Time : 1.30 hrs****ENGLISH****Marks: 50****7×1=7****Answer all the questions:-****Choose the appropriate Synonyms of the underlined words:-**

- 1) "Open up!" cried a hoarse voice  
a) moderate                      b) gentle                      c) rough                      d) soft
- 2) The fearless bird now commenced to dive and soar  
a) floated                      b) stopped                      c) shouted                      d) started

**Choose the appropriate Antonyms of the underlined words:-**

- 3) Furthermore, they obviously didn't like the 'layout'  
a) evidently                      b) noticeably                      c) patiently                      d) doubtfully
- 4) His feet sank into the green sea  
a) immersed                      b) touched                      c) floated                      d) swooped
- 5) Choose the correct plural form of 'syllabus'  
a) syllables                      b) syllabum                      c) syllabi                      d) syllabus
- 6) I \_\_\_\_\_ like to play the guitar.  
a) will                      b) can                      c) would                      d) could
- 7) The boy found \_\_\_\_\_ one rupee coin.  
a) a                      b) an                      c) the                      d) none
- 8) \_\_\_\_\_ rain, take an umbrella  
a) in spite of                      b) in case of                      c) on behalf of                      d) due to

**Answer any two of the following questions in a sentence or two:- 2×2=4**

- 9) What prompted the seagull to fly finally?
- 10) Who were the narrator's neighbour's?
- 11) Why did the seagull fail to fly?

**Read the following sets of poetic lines and answer the following:****2×2=4**

- 12) "There's a family nobody likes to meet  
They live, it is said, on complaining street"  
a) Where does the family live?  
b) Why do you think the street is named as "complaining street"?
- 13) 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) What kind of life does the poet want to lead?

**14) Read the following stanza and answer the question given below: 3×1=3**

In the dim past nor holding back in fear  
From what the future veils, but with a whole  
And happy heart, that pays its toll  
To youth and age, and travels on with cheer.

- i) Pick out rhyming words from the above lines.
- ii) Write the rhyme scheme of the given poem
- iii) Pick out the alliterating words.

**2×2=4****Answer the following:-**

- 15) Rewrite the following sentence to the other voice:  
The doctor kindly warned me.
- 16) Punctuate the following  
we had ghosts i said



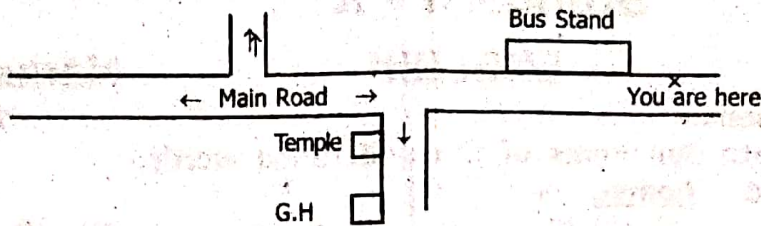
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- 17) Your friend wants to go to the G.H. Guide him to reach his destination.

1×2=2



Answer any one of the following in a paragraph:

1×5=5

- 18) Describe the struggles underwent by the young seagull to overcome its fear of flying.
- 19) From the poem "The Grumble Family" what kind of behaviour does the poet want the readers to possess?
- 20) **Read the following passage and answer the questions that follow. 1×5=5**

'You're both quite mistaken,' their father hastened to explain, seeing his wife's horrified expression. Zigzag is a most harmless, unusual and lovable bird. Apparently, it was bred by a genuine African witch doctor, who gifted it to Somu when he - being a child specialist like me -- cured the witch doctor's son while he was touring the deepest jungles of equatorial Africa last month. Somu says the bird is an absolute treasure and a real help. It's his favourite pet, you know, Somu might be your best friend, but most of these so called "favourite" possessions that he has given us were absolute nuisances!' countered Mrs. Krishnan angrily. A talented artist, she applied a dab of yellow-ochre paint onto her painting titled sunset at Marina, paused for a moment to survey the effect and then continued. "Remember the rare insect-eating plant he brought back from the wettest corner of the Amazonian rainforest! He insisted that we keep it because it would eat the mosquitoes in the house and now that wretched plant requires a room heater to keep it alive in Chennai!"

Questions:-

- i) Who gifted Zigzag to Somu? ii) Why did he gift Zigzag to Somu?  
 iii) What is the title of Mrs. Krishnan's painting?  
 iv) Why did Somu insist the Krishnan's family to keep the insect-eating plant?  
 v) What do you know about Zigzag from the given passage?

Answer any two of the following:-

2×5=10

- 21) Prepare an attractive advertisement using the hints given below:  
 Mobile World - Smart phones - Accessories - Recharges - Free Scratch Card - every purchase of mobile - flower Bazaar, Ulundurpet.
- 22) You are the coordinator of the science forum of your school. An event had been organized on account of National Science Day for the members of the forum. Now, write a report on the observation of "National Science Day" at your school.
- 23) Make notes or write a summary of the following passage:  
 Our blood consists of three types of blood cells; red blood cells, white blood cells and platelets. The red blood cells are small, thin and disc shaped. They are composed of an iron containing component called hemoglobin. When blood passes through the lungs each hemoglobin molecule picks up four oxygen molecules and supplies them to the body's tissues. Red blood cells also transport the carbon dioxide from the tissues to the lungs. The lungs throw out this gas when we exhale. The white blood cells are big and few compared to red cells, numbering only one for every 700 red cells. They are the body's defenders the soldiers that fight bacteria and other enemies. One kind, for instance, destroys dead cells. Other kinds produce antibodies against viruses. Some others consume and digest bacteria.
- 24) Quote from memory: 'O'er rough ..... will be the best.

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1×5=5