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FIRST MID TERM TEST - 2024**ENGLISH****Standard: 11****Register No.****Marks: 50****Time: 1. 30 Hours****PART - I****Answer all the questions.****10X1=10****Choose the appropriate synonyms of the underlined words in the following sentences.**

- For several hours she thumped the sagging skins of the dilapidated drum.
(a) distressed (b) strong (c) dynamic (d) damaged
- My medal haul continued after my marriage, putting an end to speculation among my family and friends around that particular topic.
(a) fact (b) guess (c) suspicion (d) programme

Choose the appropriate antonyms of the underlined words in the following sentences.

- Her happiest moments were with her sparrows whom she fed longer and with frivolous rebukes.
(a) serious (b) fantastic (c) funny (d) humorous
- I am worried because I'd heard of how expensive things were in America.
(a) costly (b) enormous (c) cheap (d) elusive
- Form a derivative by adding a suitable prefix to the root word 'approve'.
(a) dis (b) mis (c) il (d) in
- Choose the word that can be placed after the word 'water' to form a compound word.
(a) knob (b) wheel (c) proof (d) piece
- Fill in the blank with a suitable preposition.
Is it worth waiting _____?
(a) in (b) for (c) at (d) from
- Choose the correct meaning of the idiom used in the given sentence.
The employer's remark about the performance of his employees was below the belt.
(a) fair (b) constructive (c) wonderful (d) unfair
- Choose the correct expanded form of GPS.
(a) Global Power System (b) Global Positioning System
(c) Gross Product Scheme (d) Global Positioning Shape
- Choose the suitable article to complete the sentence.
My grandmother, like everybody's grandmother, was _____ old woman.
(a) an (b) a (c) every (d) the

PART - II SECTION - 1**Read the following sets of poetic lines and answer any two sets.****2x2=4**

- I have learned to wear many faces
Like dresses – home face
(a) Who has learnt to wear many faces? (b) Identify the figure of speech used here.
- Well, ego it might be pleased enough,
But zealous athletes play rough
(a) What pleases the ego? (b) Why are athletes often rough during play?
- But now they only laugh with their teeth
While their ice-block-cold eyes
(a) Explain: ice-block-cold eyes (b) Identify the figure of speech used here.

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14. With all my heart I do admire
Athletes who sweat for fun or hire
(a) Whom does the poet admire? (b) Pick out the rhyming words.

SECTION - 2

Do as directed. Answer one of the following. **1x2=2**

15. Fill in the blanks with the suitable tense form of the verb given in brackets.
(i) She always _____ (make) excuses for coming late.
(ii) Michael knew Dindigul so well because he _____ (live) there for five years.
16. Complete the following sentences with appropriate modal verbs.
(i) It's not that urgent. You _____ take your own time.
(ii) Dinesh _____ be the richest person in the village. He has just bought two luxury cars.

PART - III SECTION - 1

Explain any one of the following with reference to the context. **1x3=3**

17. I'm glad that when my struggle begins
'Twixt prudence and ego, prudence wins.
18. There will be no thrice -
For then I find doors shut on me.

SECTION - 2

Answer any one of the following questions in not more than 30 words. **1x3=3**

19. What was the happiest time of the day for grandmother?
20. What made Mary Kom feel confident about the competitive players? Explain.

SECTION - 3

Answer any one of the following. **1x3=3**

21. Write a notice about the inauguration of a laughter club in your school.
22. Complete the proverbs choosing the suitable words given in brackets.
(a) Laughter is the best _____. (method, remedy, medicine)
(b) _____ is mightier than sword. (Knife, Pen, Hammer)
(c) Face is the index of the _____. (mind, heart, beauty)

PART - IV

Answer the following. **5x5=25**

23. Answer the following in a paragraph of about 150 words.
(a) The grandmother played a vital role in the author's formative years. Justify. **OR**
(b) Lack of adequate financial resources and sponsorships often affect sportspersons. How is this evident from Mary Kom's life?
24. Answer the following in a paragraph of about 150 words.
(a) Explain the things the poet has learnt when he grew into an adult. **OR**
(b) The poet does not wish to exchange places with the athletes. How does he justify his view?
25. Answer the following in a paragraph of about 150 words developing the following hints.
(a) Two friends – made a pact – meet after twenty years – Bob arrived – spoke to policeman on beat – tall man came – claimed to be Jimmy Wells – Bob realized – not his friend – policeman in plainclothes – arrested Bob – a noted criminal – policeman on beat – real Jimmy Wells – hesitated to arrest friend – sent another with a note. **OR**

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(b) Philip Sletherby – politician – Brill Manor – meet – Mrs. Saltpen Jago – London – re-election – young man – Bertie – needed three pounds – mistaken – fraud – Jago Crest – demi-lion – Philip – did not help – true son – mistaken for a fraud – “Seeing is believing”.

26. Write a summary or make notes of the following passage.

Birds are very special animals that have particular characteristics which are common amongst all of them. For instance, all of them have feathers, wings and two legs. Similarly, all birds lay eggs and are warm-blooded. They are very essential for our environment and exist in different breeds. Birds have different sizes and can be as small as 2 inches and as big as 2.75 metres. For instance, bee hummingbird (smallest) and ostrich (largest). Bird's existence dates back to 160 million years ago. There are different types of birds that exist which vary in characteristics. For instance, there are penguins that cannot fly. Further, there are birds that are known for their intelligence like Parrots and Corvidae. Moreover, we have peacocks which are beautiful and symbolize rain and good weather. Next, there are bats and vultures as well. Birds connect very closely to the environment and are quite intuitive. They can predict the weather conditions and some are kept near coal mines for the prediction of a mine explosion. It is because they are sensitive to the release of high levels of carbon monoxide. They are quite social and enjoy singing as well. Birds enjoy the freedom of moving anywhere without boundaries. Due to hunting, poaching and disruption of the ecological balance, many birds are getting extinct. As a result, birds living in water like swans, ducks and more are also falling drastically in number because of pollution. We all must take proper measures to help the birds live and save them from extinction. Birds are vital for our ecosystem and its balance. We must all keep them safe.

27. (a) Fill in the blanks appropriately.

- (i) Ravi picked the banana peel and _____ it out _____ the window. (through / threw)
- (ii) Saranya _____ (write) a poem when her friends arrived. (Use the correct verb form)
- (iii) We _____ not paint this room now. (Use a semi-modal verb)
- (iv) The teacher gave _____ student a separate topic for assignment.

(Fill in the blank with an appropriate determiner) **OR**

(b) Read the following passage and answer the questions in your own words.

A.P.J. Abdul Kalam was born on October 15, 1931 in Rameswaram. He was a scientist and politician. He played a leading role in the development of India's missile and nuclear weapons programs. He was the president of our country from 2002 to 2007. Kalam earned a degree in aeronautical engineering from the Madras Institute of Technology. In 1958 he joined the Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO). In 1969 he moved to the Indian Space Research Organisation and was the project director of the SLV- III. It was the first satellite launch vehicle that was both designed and produced in India. Rejoining in DRDO in 1982, Kalam planned the program that produced a number of successful missiles. It earned him the nickname “Missile Man of India.” Kalam wrote several books, including an autobiography, Wings of Fire (1999). Among his numerous awards were two of the country's highest honours, the Padma Vibhushan (1990) and the Bharat Ratna (1997). He died on July 27, 2015.

Questions:

- (i) Where was Abdul Kalam born?
- (ii) Which was the first satellite launch vehicle both designed and produced in India?
- (iii) Why is Kalam nicknamed ‘Missile Man of India’?
- (iv) When did Abdul Kalam serve as the President of India?
- (v) What is the famous autobiography of Kalam?

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1. (d) damaged 2. (b) guess 3. (a) serious 4. (c) cheap
 5. (a) dis 6. (c) proof 7. (b) for 8. (d) unfair
 9. (b) Global Positioning System 10. (a) an

PART - II SECTION - 1

11. (a) The poet (b) Simile
 12. (a) Exchanging position with the athletes pleases the ego.
 (b) As the athletes play for victory and money, they are often rough during play.
 13. (a) Eyes without feelings / emotions (b) Metaphor
 14. (a) Athletes (b) admire - hire

SECTION - 2

15. (i) makes (b) had lived
 16. (i) can / may (b) must

PART - III SECTION - 1

17. Confessions of a Born Spectator - Ogden Nash
 18. Once Upon a Time - Gabriel Okara

SECTION - 2

19. Feeding the sparrows in the afternoon was her happiest time of the day.
 20. The silver medal win in America made her feel confident.

SECTION - 3

22. (a) medicine (b) Pen (c) mind

PART - IV

27. (a) (i) threw / through (ii) was writing (iii) need (iv) every

- (b) (i) Rameswaram (ii) SLV - III
 (iii) Rejoining in DRDO in 1982, Kalam planned the program that produced a number of successful missiles. It earned him the nickname "Missile Man of India."
 (iv) 2002 to 2007 (v) Wings of Fire

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