

## MONTHLY TEST, JUNE - 2024

STANDARD - XII

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Marks : 50

Time : 1.30 Hrs.

ENGLISH

PART - I

Choose the correct synonyms for the underlined words in the following sentences.

10 X 1 = 10

- Nicola was glaring at his younger brother in vexation.  
a) relaxation      b) annoyance      c) enjoyment      d) entertainment
- I found a grilled side - entrance and determinedly rang the bell.  
a) resolutely      b) generously      c) peacefully      d) possibly

Choose the correct antonyms for the underlined words in the following sentences.

- We saw our friends doing brisk business.  
a) quick      b) slow      c) mean      d) weary
- They brought her here and persuaded us to take her into the hospital.  
a) permitted      b) dissuaded      c) denied      d) tempted
- Form a derivative by adding a suitable suffix to the root word 'refresh':  
a) — ous      b) — ful      c) — ness      d) — ment
- Choose the tri syllabic word:  
a) advantage      b) eradicate      c) preposition      d) beautiful
- Form a derivative by adding a suitable prefix to the root word 'sufficient'.  
a) un —      b) in —      c) mis —      d) dis —
- Fill in the blank with the correct tense form:  
If I \_\_\_\_\_ a bird, I would fly.  
a) am      b) are      c) were      d) have
- Replace the underlined word in the sentence with a phrasal verb.  
The meeting has been postponed by the Director.  
a) put on      b) put up      c) put down      d) put off
- Choose the correct expansion of the abbreviation EMI.  
a) Easy Monthly Installment      b) Equal Monthly Installment  
c) Extra Monthly Installment      d) Effective Monthly Installment

PART - II

SECTION - I

Read the following sets of poetic lines and answer the questions that follow.

2 X 2 = 4

- A foothold there, no clever trick  
Could take us dead or quick  
Only a bird could have got in.

- What was challenging?
- Which aspect of the castle's strength is conveyed by the above line?

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12. There was a little private gate

A little wicked wicket gate

The wizened warder let them through

i) What does a 'wicked wicket gate' refer to?

ii) Who let the enemies in?

1 X 2 = 2

## SECTION - II

13. The boys exclaimed with joy that they had won the match  
[Change into Direct Speech]

## PART - III

## SECTION - I

Explain the following with reference to the context.

1 X 3 = 3

14. I will maintain until my death.

## SECTION - II

Answer the following questions in not more than 30 words each.

2 X 3 = 6

15. How did the Narrator help the boys on Sunday?

16. What was Lucia ailing from? What did her brothers do for her recovery?

## PART - IV

Answer the following in a paragraph of about 150 words.

5 X 5 = 25

17. Justify the title of the story "Two Gentlemen of Verona".

Answer the following in a paragraph of about 150 words.

18. Bring out the contrasting picture of the castle as depicted in stanzas 3 and 5 of the poem 'The Castle'.

19. Write a paragraph in about 150 words by developing the hints.

Aksionov – young merchant of Vladimir – small family – trip to Nizhny Fair – meets merchant friend – stays at inn – Aksionov arrested – murder case – shifted to mines of Siberia – innocent convict for 26 years – grew old and weak – spent time in prayers – life of saint – respected by inmates – meets Makar and saves him – Makar feels guilty – confesses his crime – Aksionov forgives criminal – dies peacefully – order for release.

20. Write a Letter of application to the Manager of a software company for the post of software engineer. Enclose a detailed Bio-data.

21. Make notes of the following passage.

There are many forms of collecting that come with a specific technical name. A person who collects coins is called a numismatist. A philatelist collects postage stamps and a deltiologist collects post cards. The term philately was coined in 1864 by a French man, Georges Herpin. The first postage stamps for the prepayment of letter postage were issued in England in 1840. They were the brainchild of Rowland Hill, who was interested in problems of teaching. The ten rupee postage stamp depicting Mahatma Gandhi and issued in 1948 is one of the most famous stamps of India. Collecting postage stamps give a great opportunity to gain knowledge of different countries, plants, animals or famous people who are in the stamps.