

**10<sup>R</sup>****First Mid-Term Test - 2024**Register No. 10214

Time : 1.30 Hour

**ENGLISH**

Marks : 50

**Choose the correct synonym for the underlined words:****8x1=8**

1. The Young seagull gnawed at the dried egg shells.  
 a) chewed      b) swallowed      c) digested      d) devoured
2. Herman slammed the door.  
 a) closed      b) locked      c) banged      d) broke

**Choose the correct antonym for the underlined words:**

3. The doors were yanked open.  
 a) pulled      b) fixed      c) combined      d) blended
4. His father preening the feathers.  
 a) dirtying      b) correcting      c) decking      d) cleaning

**Choose the correct plurals from the following :**

5. loaf  
 a) loafes      b) loaf      c) loaves      d) loafs

**Choose the correct form of verb from the following:**

6. Saravanan always \_\_\_\_\_ for a walk in the morning.  
 a) go      b) went      c) goes      d) is going

**Choose the correct modal verbs from the following:**

7. Poongothai \_\_\_\_\_ speak several languages.  
 a) Would      b) Can      c) must      d) should

**Fill in the blanks by choosing the appropriate prepositional phrase from the given options:**

8. The parents must be informed \_\_\_\_\_ any indiscipline conduct of their wards.  
 a) because of      b) in case of      c) in spite of

**II. a) Rewrite the following as directed:****2x1=2**

9. Please call him at once. (into passive)

**Punctuate the following:**

10. then bring them here ariel said prospero

**SECTION B****III. Answer any two of the following Questions:****2x2=4**

11. How did the bird feel when it started flying for the first time ?  
 12. Who were the narrator's neighbours ?  
 13. What made the young seagull go mad ?

**IV. Answer any one of the following questions in a paragraph:****1x5=5**

14. Describe the struggles underwent by the young seagull to overcome its fear of flying.  
 15. Describe the funny incident that caused the confusion in the house.

## SECTION C

V. Read the following line and answer the questions given below:

4x1=4

16. So let the way wing up the hill or down,  
O'er rough or smooth, the journey will be joy:  
Still seeking what I sought when but a boy,  
New friendship, high adventure, and a crown,  
a. How is the way of life?  
b. How should be the journey of life?  
c. Pick out the rhyming words from the above lines.  
d. Give the rhyming scheme.

VI. Answer the following Questions:

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17. a) Describe the journey of life as depicted in the poem by Henry Van Dyke.  
b) Write a paragraph on 'The grumble family' and their attitude towards other folks.

VII. Answer any one of the following questions in your own words:

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18. Dr. Ashok - entrusts his pet bird - children excited of his entry - it can speak 21 languages - zigzag - sleeps - endlessly with heavy Snore - no peace at home - Mrs Krishnan not happy - shouts and asks for solutions.

VIII. Answer any two of the following questions:

2x5=10

19. Prepare an attractive advertisement for the following  
How appliances - Aadi sale - 20-50% - special combo offers - Raja & Co., Cxhurch Street, Namakkal
20. You are the school pupil leader. you have been asked to write a report on the Inaugural ceremony of English Literary Association of your school which was held recently. Write a report in not more than 120 words.
21. Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions given below:  
There was an island in the sea, the only inhabitants of which were an old man, named Prospero and his daughter Miranda, a very beautiful young lady. She came to this island so young, that she had no memory of having seen any other human's face than her father's. They lived in a cave made out of rock, it was divided into several apartments, one of which Prospero called his study; there he kept his books, which chiefly treated of magic. By virtue of his art, he had released many spirits from a witch called Sycorax, who had then imprisoned in the bodies of large trees. These gentle spirits were ever after obedient to the will of Prospero.
- Questions:**
- Who were the only inhabitants of the island?
  - Where did they live?
  - What is the name of the witch?
  - how had Prospero helped the gentle spirits?
  - What had the witch done to the spirits?

IX. Quote from memory:

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Not hurrying \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ its toll