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## FIRST MID TERM TEST - 2024

10- Std

ENGLISH

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Time : 1.30 Hrs

MARKS : 50

## PART - I

Note : Answer all the questions.

6×1=6

Choose the appropriate synonyms for the italicised words.

- His mother had *swooped* upwards.  
a) moved very quickly b) slept very quickly c) stopped suddenly d) walked gradually
- 'Burglars!' she shouted, *intuitively*.  
a) externally b) instinctively c) silently d) gently.

Choose the appropriate antonyms for the italicised words.

- Police were all over the place; doors were *yanked*.  
a) pulled b) closed c) jerked d) pushed
- In the small silence we all heard a *creaking* in the attic.  
a) sharpening b) busting c) silence d) noising
- Choose the correct plural form of "loaf" from the following.  
a) loaves b) loafs c) loaf d) loaveses

6. Fill in the blank with appropriate prepositional phrase given below.

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

## PART - II (SECTION - 1)

Answer any TWO of the following questions in a sentence or two.

2×2=4

- How was the young Seagull's first attempt to fly?
- Why did Herman and the author slam the doors?
- Who were the narrator neighbours?
- What woke up the mother?

## SECTION - 2

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

1×2=2

- 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'?
- They growl at that and they growl at this;  
Whatever comes, there is something amiss;*  
a. What does the word 'growl' mean here?  
b. Why do they find everything amiss?

## SECTION - 3 ( GRAMMAR )

- Rewrite the following sentence in other voice.  
Please do not walk on the grass.

1×2=2

## PART- III (SECTION - 1)

Answer any ONE of the following in a paragraph.

1×5=5

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

## SECTION - 2

1×5=5

17. Write a paragraph on 'The Grumble Family' and their attitude towards other folks.

( OR )

Read the following stanza and answer the questions given below.

18. *They growl at that and they growl at this;  
Whatever comes, there is something amiss;  
And whether their station be high or humble,  
They are all known by the name of Grumble.*
- (a) Pick out the rhyming words from the given stanza.  
(b) Find out the alliteration in the third line.  
(c) Write the rhyme scheme of this stanza.  
(d) Identify the figure of speech employed in the first line of the stanza.

## SECTION - 3

3 × 5 = 15

19. Read the following passage and answer the questions that follow.

'But Zigzag is different. Somu says we are sure to love Zigzag,' soothed Dr. Krishnan, 'because the bird can talk and sing in about twenty-one different language mostly African languages, of course. When it sings, it moves the listeners to tears.' 'It's Somu's thoughtless ways that reduce me to tears!' Mrs. Krishnan said irritably. 'What a time to dump this multilingual, talking-singing bird on us. Here I'm tied up in knots trying to get my paintings together for the exhibition next week.' 'May I take Zigzag to school, Papa?' Arvind, as always, was planning ahead. 'I want to display him in the science exhibition.' 'When is Zigzag coming, Papa?' Maya was jumping up and down, all excited.

Questions :

- a. Who is different?  
b. How many languages can Zigzag speak?  
c. What did Mrs. Krishnan say?  
d. What did Arvind ask his father?  
e. What did Maya ask her father?
20. Prepare an attractive advertisement using hints given below.  
Home appliances – Aadi Sale – 20-50% - Special Combo Offers – Muthusamy & Co.,  
Raja Street, Gingee.
21. 'Educational Development Day' was organized in your school on 15<sup>th</sup> July. The District Collector was the Chief Guest of the event. As part of the event, many competitions were held and the prizes were distributed to the winners and participants. It was a grand and successful event. Now, as the member of the organizing committee, write a report on the event in about 120 words.

## PART - IV

Quote from memory.

1×5=5

22. From : In the dim past.....  
To : ..... hill or down,
23. Write a paragraph of about words by developing the following hints. 1×6=6  
Prospero- Duke of Milan- daughter Miranda - lived in a cave - magic books - Sycorax- brother Antonio - released gentle sprits- Ariel was a chief- monster Caliban- slave- command the winds - waves of sea- violent storm - oh my father - have pity - be not so amazed - you are ignorant - with King of Naples - kind lord Gonzalo.