

Class:10Register
Number**FIRST MID TERM TEST- 2024**

Time Allowed : 1.30 Hours]

ENGLISH

[Max. Marks : 50

PART - I

Answer all the questions:

5x1=5

1. Choose the appropriate synonym for the italicised words:

1. He was scraping his beak now and again to *whet* it.
a) shine b) sharpen c) prepare d) cut
2. She shouted *intuitively* 'burglars! burglars!'.
a) deliberately b) logically c) cautiously d) instinctively

Choose the appropriate antonym for the italicized words.

3. 'Nothing' he said *gruffly*.
a) rudely b) harshly c) abruptly d) happily
4. Choose the correct plural form of '*radius*'.
a) radiuses b) radius c) radis d) radii
5. Form a derivative by adding the right suffix to the word *slave*.
a) ish b) hood c) tion d) ment

PART - II

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

2x2=4

6. What did the young bird do to seek the attention of his parents?
7. What made the young seagull go mad?
8. Why did Herman and the author slam the doors?

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

2x2=4

9. *My heart will keep the courage of the quest,
And hope the road's last turn will be the best.*
a) What kind of quest does the poet seek here?
b) What is the poet's hope?
10. *Let us learn to walk with a smile and a song,
No matter if things do sometimes go wrong;*
a) What does the poet expect everyone to learn?
b) What should we do when things go wrong sometimes?
11. *Nothing goes right with the folks you meet
Down on that gloomy Complaining Street.*
a) What is the opinion about the folks you meet down the street?
b) What does the word 'gloomy' mean here?

Answer any ONE of the following questions.

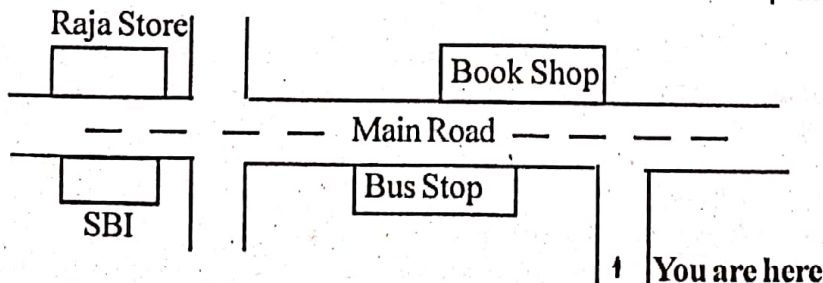
1x2=2

12. Rewrite the following sentence in other voice.
You are requested not to use mobile phones here.
13. Punctuate the following sentence.
what on earth are you boys doing she demanded

Answer the following question.

1x2=2

14. A stranger asks you to direct him to SBI bank. Give instructions to help the stranger to reach SBI.

**PART - III**

Answer any ONE of the following in a paragraph.

1x5=5

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

Answer any ONE of the following.

1x5=5

17. Write a paragraph on 'The Grumble Family' and their attitude towards other folks. V / 10/ Eng / 1

18. Read the following stanza and answer the questions given below.

*They growl at the rain and they growl at the sun;
In fact, their growling is never done.*

*And if everything pleased them, there isn't a doubt
They'd growl that they'd nothing to grumble about!*

- Pick out the rhyming words from the given stanza.
- Give the rhyme scheme for the given stanza.
- Identify the figure of speech employed in the first line of the given stanza.
- Pick out the alliterating words in the fourth line.

Answer any TWO of the following.

2x5=10

19. Prepare and attractive advertisement using the hints given below.

Luxury Lounge – Clearance Sale –Up to 50% off – Styles for Everyone – Men –Casual Wear – Sportswear – Accessories – Women – Elegant Dresses – Formal Attire – Accessories – Teens – Trendy Apparel – All Top Brands – Free Gift for Purchases Over Rs 3k.

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 on the same in not more than 120 words.

21. Make notes or write a summary of the following passage.

Bioluminescence is a captivating natural phenomenon where living organisms produce light. This glow is created through a chemical reaction involving a light-emitting molecule called luciferin and an enzyme called luciferase. One of the most stunning displays of bioluminescence can be seen in the deep ocean, where creatures like jellyfish, squid, and anglerfish illuminate their surroundings. On land, fireflies enchant with their rhythmic flashing. Bioluminescence serves various purposes: attracting mates, hunting prey, and deterring predators. Scientists study bioluminescence not only to understand these remarkable organisms but also to develop new technologies, such as medical imaging tools. This natural light show highlights the incredible diversity of life on Earth and continues to inspire researchers and nature enthusiasts alike.

22. Quote from memory.

1x5=5

Not mourning on with cheer.

PART - IV

Answer any ONE of the following questions.

1x8=8

23. Write a paragraph of about 150 words by developing the following hints.

Prospero - famous Duke - brother Antonio - exiles him – daughter Miranda - Gonzalo helps - boat – reach island – cave - cave made of rock – learns magic – release Ariel – serve Prospero – Antonio and Alonso - violent storm - wreck enemies' ship – Ferdinand meets Miranda - Prospero tests Ferdinand - love grows – Prospero regains Dukedom of Milan.

(OR)

Stargazing is a fascinating and enriching activity that allows people to connect with the universe. The night sky, filled with countless stars and celestial objects, offers a glimpse into the vastness of space. By observing the stars, individuals can learn about constellations, planets, and the movements of celestial bodies. Stargazing encourages curiosity and inspires a sense of wonder. Those who frequently gaze at the stars often find themselves more in tune with nature and the cosmos. They may also seek to deepen their understanding by studying astronomy and astrophysics. Stargazing not only provides enjoyment but also broadens one's perspective on the universe and our place within it.

Questions:

- What is the main activity described in the passage?
- What can individuals learn about by observing the stars?
- How does stargazing impact one's perspective?
- Mention two benefits of stargazing.

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