

CLASS : XII
Duration : 1 Hour

ENGLISH
II Unit Test

Marks : 30
8x1=8

Answer all the questions:

Part – I

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

1. ...tea is one of the mainstays of civilization in the country.
(a) a society in an advanced state of social development (b) a society that has slow progress
(c) a society that has no progress (d) a society in an average state of social development
2. There is also the mysterious social etiquette surrounding the teapot.
(a) incomprehensible (b) intrinsic (c) explicable (d) uncomprehensible

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

3. And very soon this trolley was commandeered by an intrepid crew of two.
(a) audacious (b) bold (c) timid (d) brilliant
4. ...because he had a malignant tumour of the bone.
(a) benign (b) spiteful (c) ruthless (d) casual
5. Hearing the happy news of India's victory, the people were _____ cloud nine.
(a) in (b) on (c) over (d) above
6. Pick out the adjective form of the word 'amusement'.
(a) amuse (b) amusing (c) amusingly (d) abusing
7. Form a phrase using the pair of nouns "nerve" and "disorder".
(a) nervy disorder (b) nerve disorder (c) nervous disorder (d) nerving disorder
8. Nobody has arrived yet, _____? (Fill in the blank with the suitable question tag).
(a) has he? (b) didn't she? (c) do they? (d) have they?

Part – II Section – 1

2x2=4

Choose any two of the following sets of poetic lines and answer the questions that follow.

9. And Time the shadow", and though weak the verse
That would thy beauty fain, oh, fain rehearse,
(a) What does the expression 'fain' convey?
(b) Identify the figure of speech used in the first line.
10. With spectacles on nose and pouch on side;
His youthful hose, well sav'd, a world too wide.
(a) Which stage of life is being referred to here by the poet?
(b) Pick out the words in alliteration.
11. Is second childishness and mere oblivion;
Sans teeth, sans eyes, sans taste, sans everything
(a) Why is the last stage called second childhood?
(b) What does the expression 'sans' convey?

Section – 2

Do as directed. Answer any one of the following questions.

1x2=2

12. The culprit was caught. Immediately, he was taken to the police station. (Combine the sentences and rewrite them using 'As soon as'.)
13. Please open the door. (Change the given sentence into passive voice)

Part – III Section – 1

Explain any one of the following with reference to the context.

1x3=3

14. "Jealous in honour, sudden and quick in quarrel,
Seeking the bubble reputation"
15. It is the tree's lament, an eerie speech...

Section – 2

Answer any one of the following questions in not more than 30 words.

1x3=3

16. Why does Dr. Barnard describe the blind boy as 'walking horror'?
17. Whom does George Orwell call 'misguided people'? What is his advice to them?

Section – 3

Extend the conversation with two more relevant exchanges.

1x3=3

Receptionist : Good morning, sir. Welcome to Madurai.

Traveller : I would like to book a deluxe room in your hotel for 3 days.

Part – IV Section – 1

18. Answer the following in a paragraph of about 150 words.

1x5=5

- (a) Summarise George Orwell's distinctive ideas in "A Nice Cup of Tea". OR
(b) Bring out the features of seven stages of a man as described by William Shakespeare?

Section – 2

Read the following sentences, spot the errors and correct them.

2x1=2

19. There was a skirmish among my brother and sister.
20. I am a very honest and humble being, amn't I?

☛ All The Best ☛