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Virudhunagar District

Common Quarterly Examination - September 2024



Standard 9

ENGLISH

Time: 3.00 Hrs.

Marks: 100

PART - I

14×1=14

Choose the appropriate **SYNONYMS** for the italicised words:

- 1) Sachin often tried to *emulate* the mannerisms of his favourite players.
a) imitate b) withdraw c) include d) neglect
- 2) He stood on the grass *verge* by the side of the road.
a) centre b) edge c) across d) beside
- 3) Amy is looking *scared*.
a) bold b) haunted c) frightened d) panic

Choose the appropriate **ANTONYMS** for the italicised words:

- 4) Conductors were often *rude*.
a) cruel b) rough c) polite d) harsh
- 5) The old house wasn't *altered* at all.
a) shifted b) changed c) turned d) conserved
- 6) Oh, I hope we don't have a *flood* here!
a) wet b) drought c) deluxe d) overflow
- 7) **Add a suffix to the word "constant":**
a) -ty b) -fy c) -ly d) -ment
- 8) **Choose the appropriate preposition to complete the sentence:**
I will reach there _____ 6 o'clock.
- 9) **Choose the correct phrase to complete the sentences:**
Sir called my father and _____ his suggestion.
a) put off b) put in c) lay over d) put forward
- 10) **Choose the correct meaning for the idiom that underlined:**
He makes a new beginning in his life.
a) keeps an eye on b) turns over a new leaf
c) sees eye to eye d) crazy like a fox
- 11) **Choose suitable modal verb for the following sentences:**
We _____ meet our principal tomorrow.
a) need b) dare c) ought d) shall
- 12) **Choose the correct non-finite verb to complete the sentences:**
Please don't _____ the box.
a) make me open b) make me opened
c) made me open d) made me opened
- 13) **Find out the Anagram of the given word "elbow":**
a) woble b) below c) low d) bole
- 14) **Choose the most appropriate linker from the given four alternatives:**
I did not go out _____ the weather was hot.
a) because b) either c) neither d) unless

PART - II

Section - I

3×2=6

Answer any THREE:

- 15) Why was Sachin asked to change the school?
- 16) How did he get back the Iron cross?
- 17) Why did Jim run from school?
- 18) Where was Amy's mother?

Section - II

3×2=6

Read the following sets of poetic lines and answer any THREE of the following:

- 19) **I was angry with my friend**
I told my wrath my wrath did end-
a) Whom does 'I' refer to?
b) How did the anger of the poet come to an end?

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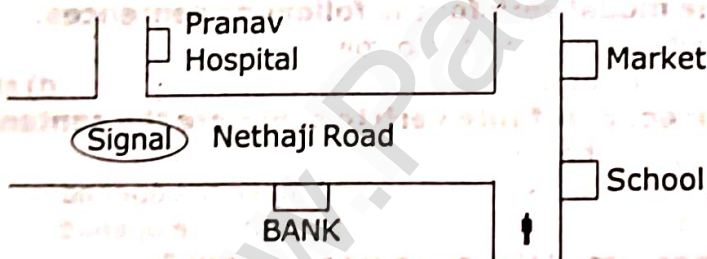
- 20) **It takes much time to kill a tree
Not a simple jab of the knife.**
a) Can a simple jab of the knife 'kill a tree'?
b) Why does it take much time to kill a tree?
- 21) **And the strength of the tree exposed
The source, white and wet,**
a) What is exposed?
b) What is the source?
- 22) **My little horse must think it queer
To stop without a farmhouse near**
a) Who is the speaker?
b) What is meant by 'queer'?

Section - III**3×2=6****Answer any THREE of the following:**

- 23) **Rewrite the following sentence to the other voice:**
Coffee is made by him.
- 24) **Identify which of the following sentences is in positive degree:**
a) Prabhu is young.
b) Prabhu is younger than Amirtha.
c) Prabhu is the youngest of all.
- 25) **Change into Indirect speech:**
She said, "Why should people go off into the unknown?"
- 26) **Punctuate the given sentence:**
mother cant get home from mrs brants
- 27) **Rearrange the words in correct order to make meaningful sentences:**
a) very / it / book / was / old / a
b) rising / the / fast / is / river

Section - IV**1×2=2**

- 28) A stranger wants to visit the Pranav Hospital. Help him/her to reach the destination.

**PART - III****Section - I****2×5=10****Answer any TWO of the following:**

- 29) 'Achrekar was a sincere coach' substantiate.
- 30) Write a paragraph 'I can't climb trees any more'.
- 31) Describe the 'Home alone' experience of the children.
- 32) How did Amy manage the situation at home?

Section - II**2×5=10****Answer any TWO of the following:**

33) Write a short paragraph by stopping by woods on a snowy evening.

34) Describe the effort of the poisonous fruit on the 'Enemy'.

35) **Read the stanza and answer the given questions:**

I was angry with my friend

I told my wrath my wrath did end

I was angry with my foe

I told in not, my wrath did grow.

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- i) What is the rhyme scheme of the stanza?
- ii) Pick out the rhyming words.
- iii) Identify the figure of speech in the above lines.
- iv) Pick out the words that are alliterated in the 3rd line.

36) **Paraphrase the following stanza:**

And the strength of the tree exposed
The service, white and wet,
The most sensitive, hidden
For years inside the earth.

Section - III

1×5=5

Answer any ONE of the following:

37) **Rearrange the sentences in coherent order:**

- i) He lost his family.
- ii) His sister was saved by an Army officer.
- iii) He wanted to thank the Army officer.
- iv) The officer had left the place already.
- v) There was a tremendous earthquake in Brij's village.

38) **Read the following passage and answer the questions below:**

The oldman did as the dog had told him to do, and made a mortar out of this wood of the pine-tree; but when he ground his rice it, each grain of rice turned into some rich treasure. When the wicked old couple saw this, they came to borrow the mortar; but no sooner did they try to use it, all their rice turned into filth; so, in a fit of rage, they broke the mortar and burnt it. But the good old man, little suspecting that his precious mortar had been broken and burnt, wondered why his neighbours did not bring it back to him.

- a) What did the dog tell?
- b) How did the mortar help the old man?
- c) Why did the wicked couple get angry?
- d) What happened to the borrowed mortar?
- e) Did the good old man get back his mortar? Why?

Section - IV

4×5=20

Answer any FOUR of the following:

39) **Prepare an attractive advertisement using the hints given below:**

Laptop - computer shop - systems for students - special discounts - affordable price - limited period offer - details.

40) Write a letter to the Headmaster of your school requesting for a Bonafide certificate.

41) Write a paragraph on 'Karagaattam'.

42) **Look at the picture and express your views on it in about 5 sentences:**



43) **Make notes or write a summary of the following passage:**

While we study, school days seem to be boring. We all don't like studying. But after schooling, we will miss our school days. We have both good and bad memories in our school life. The good memories stay forever. It includes

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our friends, favourite teachers subjects, games, lunch break with friends, Annual Day, sports etc. We will surely miss all when we become older. Elders tell us that schooling is the best stage of one's life. It should also be the same for me as well.

44) **Identify and correct the errors in the following sentences:**

- Myself I am Reyna.
- I look forward to meet you.
- Where I can find a bank?
- My flight departs in 5 a.m.
- I live in United states.

Section - V

45) **Quote from memory:**

1×5=5

It takes much
..... of it feeding.

PART - IV

46) **Write a paragraph about 100 words by developing the following hints:**

2×8=16

a) Brij - meet - weary traveller - recall - past life - terrible earthquake - native village molthi - arrive - flattened house - dead bodies - mother - brother - except Bhuli - sister - army officer - armed soldiers - hundred and sixteen hours - thank - teashop - Garhwal - cup of tea - tired.

(OR)

b) Tommy found - real book - old schools - 2157 - no schools - no teachers - no books - Tommy - 13 year old - 11 years old - room - house - machines - screen - computer - find - real old book - attic - yellow - Margie - printed - same age - discuss - home work - lesson - old schools fun.

47) a) **Read the following passage and answer the questions given below:**

For the next 10 years, Nammazhwar was an agronomist for Island of peace, an organisation founded by the Nobel Laureate Dominique Pire. His focus was an improving the standard of living through agricultural development in the Kalakad block of Tirunelveli District, Tamilnadu. He completely lost trust in conventional farming practices and began experimenting with sustainable agricultural methods. He advocated the 'Bread sandwich' method. In this method once the soil is made ready and the suggested practices followed, one need not work on the soil for the second time. They can go on sowing and reaping, all through the year.

- Who is Nammazhwar?
- Did he believe in conventional farming practices?
- What was his focus?
- Name the agricultural method he encouraged.

(OR)

b) **Read the poem and answer the given questions:**

He taught the life's lessons
Or right from wrong
And instilled in the values
That I might be strong.

And so, dear Dad
My best memory to recall
Is the gift of your presence,
The greatest gift of all.

- Who taught life's lessons to the little girl?
- What did he instill?
- What made her strong?
- What is her greatest gift?