

MONTHLY TEST, OCTOBER-2024

STANDARD-XII

Time: 1.30 Hrs

ENGLISH

Marks: 50

I. Answer all the questions

10x1=10

Find out the synonym of the underlined word in each of the following

1. Our father rejected it, saying it wouldn't be sturdy.
a) weak b) strong c) tall d) good
2. A silver tumbler of buttermilk seasoned with asafoetida .
a) mixed b) garnished c) filled d) loosened

Find out the antonym of the underlined word in each of the following

3. There he was sitting in splendour on his chair
a) magnificence b) pomp c) effulgence d) simplicity
4. Maamanaar was unmatched.
a) inferior b) incomparable c) excellent d) supreme
5. Choose the correct compound word that can be placed before the word "power"
a) House b) head c) horse d) dog
6. Identify the correct combination of the word "haircut".
a) Noun+Adjective b) Noun+Verb c) Noun+Adverb d) Noun+Noun
7. Choose the right combination for the blended word 'travelogue'.
a) travel +prologue b) travelers + catalogue c) travelers+dialogue d) travel + catalogue
8. Choose the clipped word for "zoological park".
a) park b) zoo c) logical d) zoology
9. Substitute the underlined word with the appropriate polite alternatives
The man in the grey suit is a barber
a) Hair splitter b) hair remover c) hair dresser d) hair designer
10. Choose the correct singular form of the word "Bacteria".
a) Bacterian B) bacteri c) bacteriae d) bacterium

II. Answer the following questions in three or four sentences

2x3=6

11. How did Mamanaar handle the chair at home?
12. What happened to the visitor when he sat on the stool?

III. Answer in a paragraph

1x5=5

13. Narrate the humorous incidents that happened in the author's home before and after the arrival of the chair.

IV. Read the lines given below and answer the questions that follow.

2x2=4

14. "Life is hard ; be steel; be a rock."

- a) How should one face life?
- b) Identify the figure of speech in the above line.

15. "..... Free imaginations

Bringing changes into a world resenting change."

- a) How does free imagination help the world?
- b) Identify the figure of speech.

V. Explain the following lines with reference to the context

1x3=3

16. "Brutes have been gentled where lashes failed"

VI. Answer in a paragraph

1x5=5

17. Explain how the poet guides his son who is at the threshold of manhood, to face the challenges of life.

VII. Answer in a paragraph

1x5=5

18. How do the children react to the long awaited event in the story?

VIII. Degrees of comparison**2x2=4**

Change the following into *comparative degree*.

19. This is the most challenging task I have undertaken.

Change the following into *superlative degree*.

20. Very few people in this town are as generous as Mr. Mohan.

IX. Combine each of the following pairs of sentences using participles.**3x1=3**

21. He lived alone. He had forgotten everybody.

22. He heard the noise. I turned around.

23. His coat is tattered. It needs mending.

x. Write a paragraph of about 150 words, on the following topic.**1x5=5**

24. The importance of reading.

(OR)

Read the following passage and answer the questions in your own words.

The earth is losing its forests. Trees cover about 30 percent of the earth's surface, but they are being destroyed at an alarming rate especially in the tropics. Timber harvesting is a major reason for the destruction of the forests. Trees are used for building houses, making furniture and providing pulp for paper products, such as newspapers and magazines. At least 40 hectares of rain forests are being felled every minute, mostly in order to extract the valuable timber.

i) What is the major reason for the destruction of forests?

ii) Mention any two uses of trees.

iii) What is it that happens every single minute?

iv) How much of the earth's surface is covered by trees?

V. Pick out the words from the passage that mean the same as;

i) cut ii) wood

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