

QUARTERLY EXAMINATION - 2024	9 - STD	
ENGLISH	Marks 100	Time 3.00 Hrs.

PART - I**14 x 1 = 14****I. Choose the appropriate synonym for the underlined words :**

- I often tried to emulate the mannerisms of my favourite players.
a) lead b) match c) dislike d) misunderstand
- He did not look very prosperous.
a) poor b) weak c) wealthy d) deficient
- I hope you'll be rescued soon
a) risked b) saved c) returned d) released

Choose the appropriate antonyms for the underlined words :

- The medal was awarded for bravery during the war.
a) skill b) strength c) cowardice d) gallantry
- Don't waste your time playing insane games.
a) foolish b) lovely c) wise d) silly
- I've never seen it rain so hard.
a) easy b) difficult c) strong d) firm
- Add a prefix to the word 'able'. a) un b) on c) in d) ness
- Choose the appropriate **preposition** from the choices given below.
Vimal generally goes to his workplace bus.
a) on b) in c) at d) by
- Fill in the blanks with the suitable **prepositional phrase**. *I would like to order coffee tea.*
a) instead from b) instead of c) instead to d) instead at
- Fill in the blanks with suitable **homophones** given in brackets.
This is the place I sat with my friends. There several rooms. (were, where)
- Choose the suitable **prepositional verb** for the given sentence.
I the healing power of a mother's touch.
a) believe at b) believe to c) believe from d) believe in
- Fill in the blanks with the suitable **verb form**. *is a good exercise.*
a) walk b) walked c) walking d) to walking
- Choose the appropriate **degree** given below. *Mango is than pineapple.*
a) sweeter b) sweet c) sweetest d) so sweet
- Write the full form for the word **they've**.
a) they has b) they had c) they are d) they have

PART - II SECTION - I**Answer any three of the following questions in a sentence or two.****3 x 2 = 6**

- What was the opportunity that transformed the life of Sachin?
- What was the old house built with?
- What were the girls doing in the living room?
- When did the visitor actually hide the Iron cross?

SECTION - II**Read the following set of poetic lines and answer any three of the following.****3 x 2 = 6**19. *He will not see me stopping here**To watch his woods fill up with snow.*

- Whom does 'he' refer to?
- Identify the season in these lines.

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20. *And it grew both day and night,
Till it bore an apple bright*
a) What does 'it' refer to? b) What does apple signify?
21. *And out of its leprous hide
Sprouting leaves.*
a) What does the phrase 'leprous hide' mean? b) What comes out of the leprous hide?
22. *My little horse must think it queer
To stop without a farmhouse near*
a) Who is the speaker? b) Why should the horse think it queer?

SECTION - III (Grammar) Answer any three of the following.

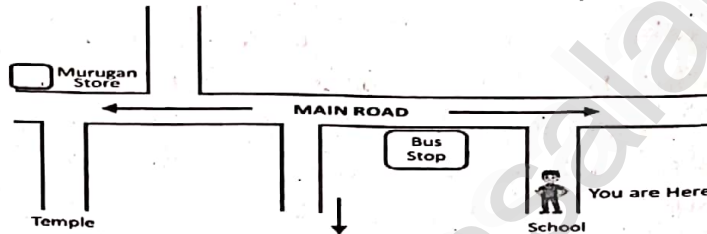
3 x 2 = 6

23. Rewrite the sentence into positive degree. *Ramya is taller than any other girl in the class.*
24. Write the correct gerund / infinitive form.
a) Mani is too tired (finish) this form. b) (walk) is a good exercise.
25. Write the correct anagram. a) ELBOW b) LEMON
26. Punctuate the following: *she said where did you find it*
27. Rearrange the following words and make a meaningful sentence.
a) Old / a / was / it / very / book b) mortar / broke / the / they / burnt / it / and

1 x 2 = 2

SECTION - IV Answer the following question.

28. A man wants to visit the temple. You guide him to reach the place.



PART - III SECTION - I (Prose) Answer any two questions.

2 x 5 = 10

29. Narrate in your own words the hardships underwent by Sachin to become a great cricketer.
30. The man who came to the house gave the cross as a gift to the girl. Why did he do this? What do you think would have happened if he had taken back the Iron cross with him?
31. Achrekar was a sincere coach - substantiate.
32. Describe the home alone experience of the children.

SECTION - II (Poem)

Answer any two of the following.

2 x 5 = 10

33. Write a paragraph about Robert Frost's travelling experiences.
34. How does the poet bring out the pain of the tree?
35. Read the following stanza and answer the questions that follow.

*And it grew both day and night
Till it bore an apple bright
And my foe beheld it shine
And he knew that it was mine.*

- a) Pick out the rhyming words. b) Identify the rhyme scheme.
c) Pick out the alliterated words in the second line. d) Write the figure of speech in the first line.
36. Paraphrase the following stanza.
*The woods are lovely, dark and deep
But I have promises to keep
And miles to go before I sleep
And miles to go before I sleep*

SECTION - III

Answer any one of the following :

1 x 5 = 5

37. Rearrange the following sentences.

- The book was old and the pages were yellow.
- Tommy found a real book which has been printed on paper.
- The mechanical teacher was black and large with a screen.
- Margie was thinking about the old school days and how much fun the children had.
- Tommy and Margie found something about the schools of the past.

38. Read the passage carefully and answer the following.

It was four years ago, in the month of October, one night the earth quaked. Yes, tremors are common in these parts. These shows may seem eternal, the Himalayas may look solid, but the truth is, deep down they are unstable. We, who live here are accustomed to tremors. But what happened that night was more than that. It was a terrible earthquake.

- When did the earthquake occur? b) Are tremors common in those parts of the valley?
- What did Brij say about the Himalayas?
- Are the villagers who live there accustomed to tremors?
- How were the effects of the tremor?

SECTION - IV

Answer any four of the following.

4 x 5 = 20

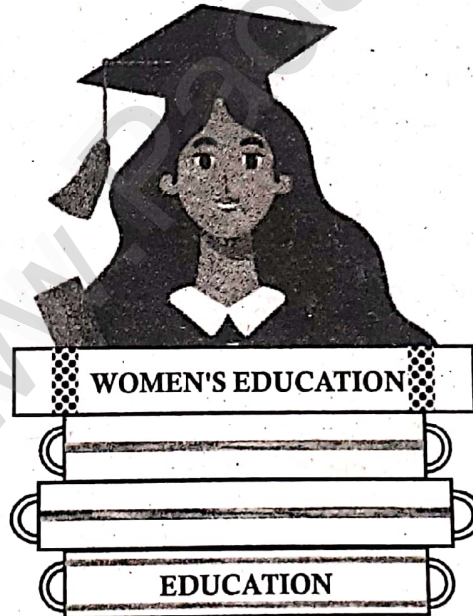
39. Prepare an attractive advertisement using the hints given below.

Fruit, Flower, Vegetable sapling - organically fertilized - all varieties - no hybrids - pots and compost free - home delivery - No. 8, Anna Nagar, Salem.

40. Write a letter to your friend, describing the joy of celebrating festivals in a village.

41. You are Ganesh/Gayathri. Head boy / Head girl of your school. Write a notice for your school notice board informing the students about the 'Fancy Fete' that is going to be organised in your school campus on the 10th of next month.

42. Look at the following picture and express your views on it in about five sentences.



43. Make notes or summary of the following.

Dragon Tales are known in many cultures, from America to Europe, and from India to China. It's not clear when or where stories of dragons first emerged, but these huge flying serpents were described by the ancient Greeks and Sumerians.

The word "dragon" comes from the ancient Greek word "draconta," meaning "to watch," suggesting that dragons are responsible for guarding valuables. Dragons typically guard

treasures such as mountains of gold coins or gems. Some dragons have wings ; others don't. Some dragons breathe fire ; others span miles ; some live under ocean ; others can only be found in caves and inside the mountains.

44. Identify the errors in the following sentence and rewrite them correctly.
- His uncle is a MLA.
 - The elephant is largest animal.
 - Though he is rich but he is humble.
 - He is neither rich or poor.
 - The dog fell along the river.

SECTION - V

45. Quote from memory

1 x 5 = 5

Whose woods it queer

PART - IV

2 x 8 = 16

46. Write a paragraph about 150 words by developing hints.

- Old people - village - honest - work in their fields - the neighbouring house - stingy old couple - borrowed - killed the dog - that night the dog appeared - thanking old man - made the pine tree - mortar - ground - rice - turn - to rich treasure - wicked old people - borrowed the mortar - rice - turn - filth - broke the mortar - burnt it - dog - appear - dream - take the ashes - sprinkle on withered trees - prince rewarded the honest man. (OR)
- Margie wrote - in her diary - Tommy found real book - grandfather - all stories - same words - school room - bedroom - mechanical teacher - country inspector - test after test - hated school - thinking of old school days.

SECTION - V

47.

- a) Read the following paragraph and answer the questions given below.

The 2015 South Indian floods resulted from heavy rainfall generated by the annual north east monsoon in November - December 2015. They affected the Coromandel Coast region of the South Indian states of Tamilnadu and Andhra Pradesh, and the union territory of Puducherry with Tamilnadu and the city of Chennai particularly hard hit. More than 500 people were killed and over 18 lakh people were displaced. With estimates of damages and losses ranging from nearly 200 billion rupees to over 1 trillion rupees, the floods were the costliest to have occurred in 2015, and were among the costliest natural disasters of the year. The following has been attributed to the 2014-2016 EL-Nino event.

- Which affected the Coromandel Coast region?
 - How many persons were affected?
 - How were the floods the costliest to have occurred in 2015?
 - What has the flooding been attributed to? (OR)
- b) Read the poem and answer the questions.

Never trust a mirror,
For a mirror always lies,
It makes you think that all you're worth,
Can be seen from the outside,
Never trust a mirror,
It only shows you what's skin deep,
You can't see how your eyelids flutter,
When you're drifting off to sleep,

- What does the poet ask us not to trust ?
- Why should not we trust the mirror ?
- What does the mirror show ?
- What cannot we see when we sleep ?