

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

Time Allowed : 1.30 Hours]

ENGLISH

[Max. Marks : 50

PART - I

Answer the following questions.

7x1=7

Choose the correct Synonym for the underlined words.

- They continue to grapple.
a) gather b) fight c) search d) argue
- You can imagine how I blushed and how frightened I was.
a) afraid b) pleases c) soothing d) disturbed

Choose the correct Antonym for the underlined words.

- The words appear on my screen and then I can print them out.
a) raise b) type c) vanish d) blink
- "I won't scold you, little Franz."
a) apologize b) praise c) compromise d) beat
- Complete the following sentence with the most appropriate phrasal verb given below
We can now ----- to a more inclusive way of learning.
a) look at b) look in c) look after d) look forward.
- Form a derivative by adding the right suffix to the word "special"
a) ist b) ment c) ous d) ness
- Choose the correct expansion of the abbreviation "GCSE"
a) Global Certificate of Secondary Education b) Global Currency and Stock Economics
c) General Certificate of Secondary Education d) General Certificate of School Education

PART - II SECTION - I

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

1x2=2

- Which software helps Alisha to overcome her difficulty in typing?
- Why does M. Hamel say that we must guard our language?

SECTION - II

Read the following set of poetic lines and answer any ONE of the following.

1x2=2

- And now, if you will set us to our task,
We will serve you four and twenty hours a day!
a) Who does the pronoun 'you' refer to here? b) Whose task is referred to as 'our task' here?
- Some water, coal, and oil is all we ask,
And a thousandth of an inch to give us play:
a) Whom does we refer to? b) What do they ask for?

SECTION - III

Answer any ONE of the following.

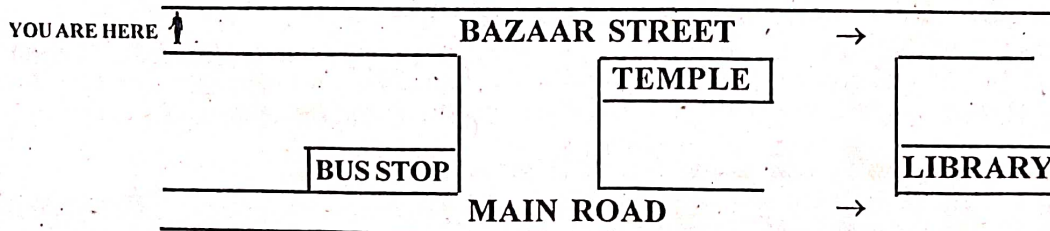
1x2=2

- Combine the following sentences using appropriate relative pronouns.
Here is your watch. It has been found in the garden.
- Change into indirect speech She asked, "When will you call me"?

SECTION - IV

- A stranger wants to go to the Library. Write the steps to guide him to reach his destination.

1x2=2

**SECTION - I**

Answer any ONE of the following in a paragraph.

1x5=5

- How do we use technology in our day-to-day lives?
- Give an account of the last day of M. Hamel in school.

SECTION - II

Answer any ONE of the following.

1x5=5

- How do machines confess they are inferior to human brain?
- Read the following stanza and answer the questions given below
We can pull and haul and push and lift and drive,
We can print and plough and weave and heat and light,
We can run and race and swim and fly and dive,
We can see and hear and count and read and write!

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- a) Pick out the rhyming words in the above lines. b) Write the rhyme scheme of the given stanza.
c) Identify the figure of speech employed in the first line d) Pick out the alliterating words in the second line.

SECTION – III

1x5=5

Answer any ONE of the following**19. Rearrange the following sentences in coherent order.**

- a) Francis Bennett, very tired after so very full a day, decided to take a bath before going to bed.
b) One of the Earth Herald's astronomers had just determined the elements of the new planet Gandini.
c) That morning Francis Bennett awoke in rather a bad temper.
d) The director of the Earth Herald left the hall and sat down in a rolling armchair.
e) He soon got rid of those who had only useless or impracticable schemes.

20. Read the following passage and answer the questions that follow

The next room, a broad gallery about a quarter of a mile long, was devoted to publicity, and it well may be imagined what the publicity for such a journal as the Earth Herald had to be. It brought in a daily average of three million dollars. They are gigantic signs reflected on the clouds, so large that they can be seen all over a whole country. For that gallery a thousand projectors were unceasingly employed in sending to the clouds, on which they were reproduced in colour, these inordinate advertisements. At that moment, the clock struck twelve. The director of the Earth Herald left the hall and sat down in a rolling armchair. In a few minutes, he had reached his dining room half a mile away, at the far end of the office.

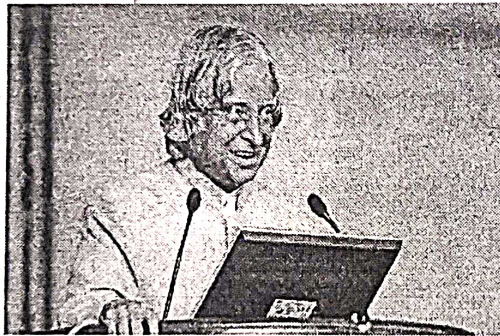
Questions:

- a) What was the next room devoted to? b) What was the breadth of the gallery?
c) How much did the gallery bring in? d) How was the advertisement done here?
e) Where did the director of the Earth Herald sit?

SECTION – IV**Answer any TWO of the following**

2x5=10

21. Write an email to your teacher about the interesting English Poem that you have written for the literary club.
22. Prepare an attractive advertisement using the hints given below.
Edison light house – Decorative lamps – LED lamps – Solar panels – 5W to 100W bulbs available – Free batteries for every torch light – 10% discount for electricians – No.10, New complex, Madurai.
23. Look at the following picture and express your views on it in a paragraph of five sentences.

**SECTION – V****24. Quote from memory**

But remember your eyes.

1x5=5

PART – III**25. Write a paragraph in 150 words by developing the following hints.**

1x5=5

Francis Bennett – phonotelephone – reporters room – four quarters of earth – Mercury – Venus – Mars – scientists – Gandini – broad gallery – thousand projectors – advertisements – Mr. and Mrs. Bennett – lunch – pneumatic tubes – aero-car – Niagara – waiting room – Earth Herald – submarine tubes – very tired.

(OR)**Read the following paragraph and answer the questions given below.**

Water is the basis of all life. Every animal or plant contains a substantial proportion of free or combined water in its body, and no kind of physiological activity is possible in which the fluid does not play an essential part. Water is, of course, necessary for animal life, while moisture in the soil is equally imperative for the life and growth of plants and trees though the quantity necessary varies enormously with the species. The conservation and utilization of water is thus fundamental for human welfare. Apart from artesian water the ultimate source in all cases is rain or snowfall. Much of Indian agriculture depends on seasonal rainfall and is therefore very sensitive to any failure or irregularity of the same. The problems of soil erosion and of inadequate or irregular rainfall are closely connected with each other. It is clear that the adoption of techniques preventing soil erosion would also help to conserve and keep the water where it is wanted, in other words, on and in the soil, and such techniques therefore serve a double purpose.

- a) What is depends on seasonal rainfall? b) What is the fundamental for human welfare?
c) Which is the alternative source of artesian water? d) Is there any physiological activity possible without water?
e) Give a suitable title for the given passage.

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