

# SECOND MID TERM TEST - 2024

Standard - XII  
ENGLISH

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Marks:45

13×1=13

Time: 1.30 hrs.

## I. Answer all the questions.

Choose the correct synonyms for the underlined words:

1. A silver tumbler of buttermilk seasoned with asafoetida.

- a) loosened      b) filled      c) garnished      d) mixed

2. .... then the end of such liberty would be universal chaos.

- a) Cave      b) Confusion      c) Clear      d) acceptance

Choose the correct antonym for the underlined words:

3. He is the symbol not of tyranny but of liberty

- a) autocracy      b) dictatorship      c) monarchy      d) democracy

4. He greeted me with his usual smile and banter.

- a) flattery      b) small talk      c) Chitchat      d) repartee

5. Identify the correct combination of the compound word 'Waterfall'.

- a) Adjective + Noun      b) Noun + Noun      c) Noun + verb      d) Noun + Adjective

6. Choose the blended form of 'foreign + exchange'.

- a) Forex      b) forchange      c) reign + ex      d) foreign + change

7. Replace the underlined words / expressions with possibly polite forms:

i) I saw a disabled man.

- a) unabled      b) physically weak      c) handicapped      d) differently abled.

ii) The teacher advised the slow learners.

- a) non learners      b) late learners      c) foccus learness      d) weak learners.

8. Complete the following sentence using appropriate determiner:

How \_\_\_\_\_ sugar do you want?

- a) many      b) Much      c) long      d) Little

9. Fill in the blank with suitable article:

It was one of \_\_\_\_\_ devastating hurricanes ever hit.

- a) the      b. a      c) an      d) 'O' ( no article)

10. Choose the correct British English word for the underlined American English word:

One should use blinker while turning his/her vehicle.

- a) light      b) horn      c) indicolor      d) hand signal.

11. Choose the correct option and complete the sentences:

i) The class teacher along with the students \_\_\_\_\_ (go/goes) for a picnic.

ii) one or other of those men \_\_\_\_\_ (has/ have) lodged a complaint.

## II. a) Read the lines given below and answer the questions that follow.

12. Above all tell himself no lies about himself.

2×2=4

- Whatever the white lies and protective fronts.
- Pickout the alliterated words from the above lines.
  - Explain the term 'white lies'.
13. Tell him time as a stuff can be wasted.  
Tell him to be a fool ever so often.
- Why does the poet suggest that time can be wasted?
  - Identify the figure of speech in the above lines.

3×2=6

- b] Do as directed:**
- Hurricanes are as dangerous as tornadoes (*change into Comparative degree*)
  - The pen is mightier than the sword. (*change into Positive degree*)
  - Shakespeare is greater than many other dramatists of the world. (*Change into Superlative degree*)

**III. a] Explain the following lines with reference to the context:**

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17. Yet learning something out of every folly. Hoping to repeat none of the cheap follies.

**b] Answer any three of the following questions in about 30 words each:**

3×3=9

- According to the author, what are we more conscious of?
- Why is there a danger of the world getting 'liberty drunk'?
- 'Curtailement of private liberty is done to establish social order' - Do you agree?
- How can we sweeten our life's journey?

**IV. a] Answer any one of the following questions in about 100 to 150 words:**

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- Narrate the humorous incidents that happened in the author's home before and after the arrival of the chair.
- What is the conflict between Margot and the other children in the story, "All Summer in a Day"?

**b] Identify the errors in each of the following. sentences and rewrite them correctly:**

5×1=5

- You, who is my friend, should help me.
- Many a student were awarded at the function.
- If they had contacted me, I would help them.
- Though he is ill but he attends the class.
- My friend is a LIC agent.