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**SECOND MID TERM TEST - 2024**  
**Standard - IX**

15.11.24

**Time : 1.30 hrs****ENGLISH****Marks: 50****I. Choose the appropriate Synonym for the underlined words: 3×1=3**

- 1) When Pongo caught the narrator with the oranges, he was very frightened  
 a) undaunted                      b) afraid                      c) Valiant                      d) brave
- 2) The narrator was in trouble because he took the oranges.  
 a) peace                      b) difficulty                      c) harmony                      d) comfort
- 3) The voice in his head asked the narrator to eat the evidence  
 a) proof                      b) contradict                      c) disprove                      d) refuse

**II. Choose the appropriate Antonym for the underlined words: 3×1=3**

- 1) Clem Jones was ordered to open the box  
 a) prepared                      b) arranged                      c) forced                      d) requested
- 2) The narrator of the story felt very sick for a week  
 a) healthy                      b) disordered                      c) feeble                      d) unhealthy
- 3) Pongo carefully searched the narrator's pockets  
 a) attentively                      b) carelessly                      c) cautiously                      d) strictly

**III. Choose the correct phrase to complete sentence:- 2×1=2**

- 1) Children growing up in the city are often especially \_\_\_\_\_ time spent at the playground.  
 a) fond of                      b) look at                      c) give up
- 2) He \_\_\_\_\_ his seat to a pregnant woman.  
 a) figure out                      b) gave up                      c) laughed at

**IV. Complete sentence with one of the Modal verbs given below: 3×1=3**

- couldn't, may, could
- 1) When he was fourteen, he \_\_\_\_\_ run fast.
  - 2) I \_\_\_\_\_ go to the school, yesterday because I was ill.
  - 3) You \_\_\_\_\_ wear a coat, it's quite warm.

**V. Answer any three of the following in one or two sentences: 3×2=6**

- 1) Who is Pongo?
- 2) What was the narrator carrying in his pockets?
- 3) What is the cheapest means of transport?
- 4) What are the two sources of water?

**VI. Answer any one of the following paragraph:- 1×5=5**

- 1) Describe the confrontation between the narrator and Pongo.
- 2) What are some measures that are used to prevent soil erosion?

**VII. Read the following stanzas and answer the questions given below: 8×1=8**

- 1) "With buzzy wings she hung aloft, then near and nearer drew,  
 Thinking only of her brilliant eyes, and green and purple hue".  
 a) Who does 'she' refer to?                      b) What was 'she' thinking of?



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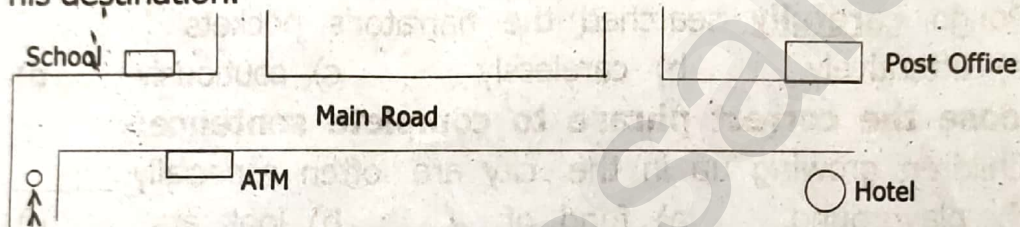
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- 2) "The way into my parlour is up a winding stair,  
And I've many curious things to show when you are there".
- How to reach the spider's parlour?
  - What will the fly get to see in the parlour?
- 3) "Then he came out to his door again, and merrily did sing",  
"Come hither, hither, pretty fly, with the pearl and silver wing;  
your robes are green and purple - there's a crest upon your head;  
your eyes are like the diamond bright, but mine are dull as lead!"
- Identify the figure of speech in the second line.
  - Pick out the rhyming words from the above lines
  - Pick out the alliterated words in the fourth line
  - Identify the rhyme scheme of the given lines.

## VIII. Answer the following questions:-

1×2=2

- 1) A stranger wants to visit the post office. Write the steps to guid him to reach his destination.



## IX. Rearrange the following sentences in the correct sequence: 5×1=5

- The painkiller triggered adverse reactions on peter.
- So Aunt Polly tried different types of remedies on him.
- Tom was dull and depressed.
- Since all her methods failed finally she gave him a pain killer.
- But Tom gave that pain-killer to the cat peter.

## X. Develop the following hints as a paragraph:-

1×5=5

Tom's friend - Becky - Stopped School - Tom dull - Aunt polly -tried - Pain Killer-  
gave peter - Aunt felt sorry - teary eyes.

## XI. Punctuate the following:-

3×1=3

- the adventures of tom sawyer is a novel about a young boy.
- Rearrange the words in the correct order to make meaningful sentences.
  - oranges/looked/pongo/everywhere/the/for
  - all/water/life/is/basis/the/of

## XII. Look at the following picture and express your views:-

1×5=5



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