

Class:9

SECOND MID TERM TEST - 2024

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[Max. Marks: 50]

ENGLISH

Time : 1.30 Hrs]

1. Answer all the questions.

Choose the appropriate synonym for the italicized words.

7x1=7

- You *concealed* them in your pocket.
a) buried b) hid c) broke d) exposed
 - The availability of electric power would make a *tremendous* difference to the life.
a) great b) small c) still d) vanish
- Choose the appropriate antonym for the italicized word.
- Clem Jones was *ordered* to open the box.
a) prepared b) arranged c) forced d) requested
 - The water can flow with *rapidly* gathering momentum.
a) classically b) actively c) slowly d) fast
 - Choose the correct plural form of *child* from the following.
a) childs b) childies c) childrens d) children
 - Choose the correct expansion of the abbreviation ISRO.
a) International Space Research Organisation b) Indian Space Research Orientation
c) Indian Space Research Organisation d) Indian Space Reward Organisation
 - Fill in the blanks with suitable prepositional phrase from the given options.
I would like to order coffee _____ tea.
a) instead of b) instead from c) instead to

PART - II SECTION - A

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

2x2=4

- What was Clem Jones carrying in the box?
- Who is Pongo?
- What did the narrator do to get rid of the evidence?

SECTION - B

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

1x2=2

- "The way into my parlour is up a winding stair,
And I've many curious things to show when you are there"
a) How to reach the spider's parlour? b) What will the fly get to see in the parlour?
- "Sweet creature!" said the spider, "You're witty and you're wise,
How handsome are your gauzy wings, how brilliant are your eyes!"
a) List the words used by the spider to describe the fly.
b) Why does the spider say that the fly is witty?

SECTION - C

Answer any ONE of the following.

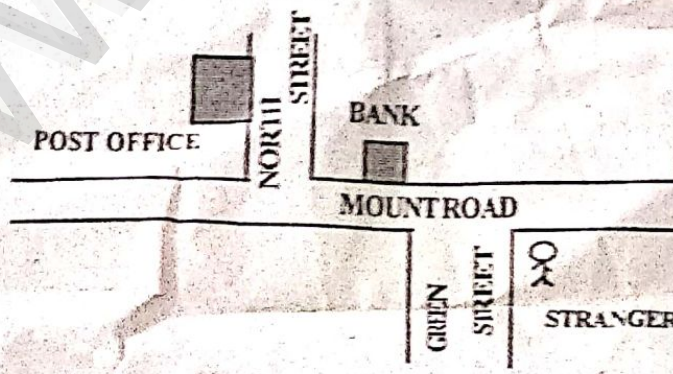
1x2=2

- a) Fill in the blank with correct present tense form.
A good student always _____ hard. a) work b) works c) worked
- b) Fill the blank with correct past tense form.
Lakshana _____ a new bicycle last week. a) buys b) bought c) will buy
14. Fill the blank with appropriate modals.
[will, shall, would, should, can, could, may]
We _____ be very careful while selecting our food items because there are chances that these _____ be adulterated.

SECTION - D

1x2=2

15. A stranger wants to go to the Post Office. Guide him to reach his destination.



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PART - III SECTION - A

Answer any ONE of the following.

1x5=5

16. Narrate the clever strategy followed by Clem Jones to deceive Pongo.
17. Describe the confrontation between the narrator and Pongo.

SECTION - B

Answer any ONE of the following.

1x5=5

18. Write a character sketch of the spider.
19. Read the following stanza and answer the questions given follow.
*"Sweet creature!" said the spider, "You're witty and you're wise,
How handsome are your gauzy wings, how brilliant are your eyes!"
I've a little looking glass upon my parlour shelf,
If you 'll step in one moment, dear, you shall behold yourself".*

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

SECTION - C

Answer any ONE of the following

1x5=5

20. Rearrange the following sentences in coherent order.
i) Since all her methods failed, finally she gave him a pain-killer.
ii) The pain-killer triggered adverse reactions on Peter.
iii) Tom was dull and depressed.
iv) But, Tom gave that pain-killer to the cat Peter.
v) So, Aunt Polly tried different types of remedies on him.

21. Make notes or write a summary of the following passage:

Tree conservation is the preservation and management of forests and, by extension, individual trees. It is a principle, a policy, and a practice, all of which have become more common and popular in the decades of the late 20th and early 21st centuries. In many parts of the world, activists, governments, and conservation organizations have done their best to inform people that the natural resource represented by trees and forests has great value to civilization, wildlife, and the overall well-being of the world's ecosystems, as well as potentially influencing climate and the use and conservation of other natural resources. Tree conservation is often at odds with the interests of for profit companies that exploit forests for natural resources as well as those who clear forests for the purpose of agriculture or other land use that requires the trees to be removed. The primary goal of tree conservation is to preserve and protect forests. The reasons for this are many, including the preservation of wildlife habitat, prevention of erosion, and preservation of beauty for the enjoyment of future generations.

SECTION - D

Answer any ONE of the following.

1x5=5

22. Quote from memory.
River River impetuous youth.
23. a) The Eco club of your school is organizing Dengue Awareness Program. Design an attractive poster giving relevant details. (OR)
b) 'Save Water, Save life' is the need of the hour. Draft a Poster with attractive slogans / phrases for the same with attractive drawings.

PART - IV

Answer any ONE of the following.

1x8=8

24. Tom Sawyer -felt sad-Becky Thatcher-stopped coming -school-Aunt Polly-try various remedies - the pain killer-cat-adverse effect -Aunt Polly -realized -mistake.

25. Read the following passage and answer the questions given below.

In 1977, Mr. Nicholas Scotti, a journalist from San Francisco, flew from America to Italy to visit his cousins. The plane stopped for an hour in JFK Airport in New York. Mr. Scotti thought he was at Rome Airport and got off the plane. Of course, his cousins were not there to meet him. Mr. Scotti spent two days in New York believing he was in Rome. In their letters, his cousins always talked about the traffic problems and the famous building in Rome. Mr. Scotti decided to find their home without their help. On his journey round the city, Mr. Scotti asked a policeman to tell him the way to the bus station, Mr. Scotti asked him in Italian. Luckily, the policeman was an Italian from Naples, Italy and could reply in the same language. On the next day, after 12 hours of travelling round by buses, Mr. Scotti was surprised that the policemen and drivers speak in English. A policeman tried to tell him that he was in New York, but Mr. Scotti didn't believe it and even got angry.

Questions:

- a) Where did Mr. Nicholas Scotti fly?
b) What did policeman try to tell Mr. Scotti?
c) How many days did Mr. Scotti spend in New York believing he was in Rome?
d) What did his cousins talk about in their letters?

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