10-HALF YEARLY EXAM ANSWER KEY

- **SECTION I**
- 1. **He was delirious.**
 - **Answer:** (a) Sick b) disappointed
- 2. **Scraping his beak now and again to whet it.**
- **Answer:** (b) Sharp
- 3. **My contention was to make sure that we by there.**
 - **Answer:** (d) strenuous effort
- 4. **I indulged in baking. (Choose the antonym)**
 Answer: (d) Inactive
- 5. **The birds were chirping at the end of the woods.**
 - **Answer:** (d) alarming
- 6. **One can control the computer screen the gaze.**

 Answer: (a) blink
- 7. **Choose the correct plural form of deer.**

 Answer: (d) Deer
- 8. **Attach a suitable prefix to the word large.**

 Answer: (a) en-large-
- 9. **The common expansion of GPS is:**

 Answer: (b) Global Positioning System
- 10. **Choose the correct meaning of the idiom "once in a blue moon."**
 - **Answer:** (b) A rare event
- 11. **Choose the suitable option to pair with 'sea' to form a compound word.**
 - **Answer:** (b) Shore
- 12. **The fox jumped ____ the well.**

 Answer: (c) Into
- 13. **Choose the suitable phrasal verb:**
 - **Answer:** (b) Warm up

- 14. **The poem _____ about the multifaceted nature of women.**
 - **Answer:** (a) talks
- **PART II**
- **SECTION I (Prose)**

Answer any **three** in **one sentence**:

- 15. **Why is technology important according to David?**
- **Answer:** Technology simplifies human efforts and improves their way of life.
- 16. **How did the All-Woman Indian Navy crew go about their voyage?**
- **Answer:** They worked as a team, solving problems together and supporting each other.
- 17. **Why did Herman and the author slam the doors?**
- **Answer: ** footsteps coming towards them so
- 18. **What prompted the young seagull to fly finally?**
- **Answer:** Hunger and the sight of food pushed him to overcome his fear.
- **SECTION II (Poetry)**
 Answer any **three**:
- 19. **In the dim past, nor holding back in fear. **
- (a) **What does the poet mean by "In the dim past"?**
- **Answer:** The poet refers to the uncertain and sad days of the past.
 - (b) **Is the poet afraid of the future?**
- **Answer:** No, the poet is optimistic and willing to embrace the future.

Section II (Poetry)

Question 20:

- **a)** The folks met on the street are dissatisfied and unhappy, as they live on "Complaining Street."
- **b)** The word "gloomy" means dark, depressing, or joyless.

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#### Question 21:
**a)** The pronoun "you" refers to the humans or
people being addressed by the poet.
**b)** The task referred to as "our task" means the
responsibility or duty assigned to everyone.
Machines task
#### Question 22:
**a)** By "lines we read," the poet means the work or
labor that the workers perform, written in their lives.
**b)** A labor not different from our own does not
differ.
### **Section III (Grammar)**
#### Question 23:
**Rewritten sentence:** A cake is being made by you
now.
#### Ouestion 24:
**Combined sentence:** Kavita, who is my teacher,
teaches us English.
Kavitha is my teacher who teashes us English.
#### Question 25:
**Punctuated sentence:** I said "No. I'm not, Don't be
silly".
#### Question 26:
**Combined sentence:** As soon as sita saw a snake
she ran away.
#### Question 27:
**a) ** I am writing complaint about telephone banking
system.
**b)** You should never believe what you hear.
### **Section IV (Compulsory)**
#### Question 28:
**Direction to the hospital:**
- Start at the current location ("You are here").
- Go straight on M.G. Road and pass the signal.
- Continue straight until you reach the hospital on your
right-hand side.
### **Part III - Prose**
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#### Question 29:
Relevant answer
#### Question 30:
Relevant answer
#### Question 31:
Relevant answer
#### Question 32:
Relevant answer
### **Section II - Poetry
#### Question 33:
Relevant answer
#### Question 34:
Relevant answer
#### Question 35:
**a)** Rhyming word: Meet – Street: Satisfied - beside
**b)** Rhyme scheme: AABB.
**c)** Figure of speech: Metaphor.
**d)** Alliterating words: Family, Folks.
### **Section III**
#### Ouestion 36:
Relevant answer
#### Ouestion 37:
**Rearranged sentences in coherent order:**
i) Once in shining, a cruel rural declared that all old
people must be put to death.
ii) A farmer decided to leave his old mother on top of a
mountain.
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iii) The mother dropped the small twigs as markers on

iv). When the farmer bade farewell, she advised him to

v) The son made up his mind to take back his mother

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home.

the way to help her son return

return home with the aid of twigs.

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Question 38:

i) Antonio was Prospero's brother who betrayed him.

ii) Prospero forgave his brother Antonio.

iii) The gift given to the King of Naples was Ferdinand.

iv) Ferdinand and Miranda played chess.

v) The King of Naples was astonished at the beauty and excellent graces of Miranda.

Section IV (Writing)
Question 39:

Relevant answer

Question 40:

Letter to the Inspector of Police:

From:

[Your Name],

[Your Address].

To:

The Inspector of Police,

[Local Police Station Name],

Villupuram.

Subject: Complaint regarding the loss of my bicycle.

Respected Sir/Madam,

I am writing to report the theft of my bicycle on [date] near [location]. It is a red bicycle with black handles and a basket. Kindly take necessary action to trace it.

Thank you,

[Your Name].

Question 41/:

Report on National Science Day:

Report:

On National Science Day, the Science Forum of our school conducted various events like exhibitions, debates, and quizzes. Students displayed innovative science models and experiments. Experts gave lectures on the importance of science in everyday life. The event inspired everyone to embrace scientific temper and curiosity.

Question 42:

Views on the picture:

The picture depicts the beauty of nature with a harmonious coexistence of animals, birds, and aquatic life. It reminds us of the balance in ecosystems. We must protect forests, rivers, and wildlife to preserve such serene environments. Nature is vital for our survival, and we must act responsibly to safeguard it.

Section V

Question 43:

Summary of the passage:

Relevant answer

Question 44:

**Corrected sentences:

- a) Tamil is my mother tongue
- b) I love you and music.
- c) Dinesh is my cousin.
- d) Her friends, as well as she, are hard-working.
- e) As we were late, we apologized.

Question 45:

Quote from memory:

Memory poem

Question 46:

Relevant answer.

Part V (General Comprehension)

Question 47 (Option 1 - Charlie Chaplin):

- a) Charlie Chaplin was born on April 16, 1889, in London, England.
- b) His birth name was Charles Spencer Chaplin, and his nicknames included Charlie and the Little Tramp.
- c) He was five years old during his first onstage moment.
- d) Charlie performed onstage because his mother lost her voice during a performance.

Question 47 (Option 2 - Poem):

- a) The wind stirred on the upland slopes.
- b) "Opes" means opens.
- c) The river flows like a stream of glass.
- d) A suitable title: "The Song of the Caged Bird."

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