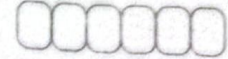


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Tenkasi District
Common Half Yearly Exam, December - 2024

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Standard 10
ENGLISH
PART-I

Time: 3.00 Hours

Marks: 100

i) Answer all the question

ii) Choose the most appropriate answer and write the option code with corresponding answer 14x1=14

Choose the appropriate synonyms for the underlined words.

- 1) The seaquill then trotted back and forth from one end of the ledge to the other
 - a) crawled
 - b) walked slowly
 - c) rapid paced
 - d) jogged
- 2) He said in an unperturbed manner
 - a) undistrubed
 - b) wise
 - c) happy
 - d) bored
- 3) There was a sudden rush and scuffle
 - a) fight
 - b) slide
 - c) storm
 - d) breeze

Choose the appropriate antonym for the underlined words.

- 4) Nothing he said gruffly
 - a) happily
 - b) roughly
 - c) sadly
 - d) plainly
- 5) We look forward to a more inclusive way of learning instead of the cloistered existence
 - a) enclosed
 - b) detached
 - c) opened
 - d) united
- 6) You can imagine how I blushed and how frightened I was
 - a) flushed
 - b) paled
 - c) bloomed
 - d) glowed
- 7) Choose the correct plural form of diagnosis from the following
 - a) diagnoses
 - b) diagnosises
 - c) diagnosus
 - d) diagnosis
- 8) Form a derivative by adding the right prefix to the word nutrition
 - a) dis
 - b) ill
 - c) mal
 - d) mis
- 9) Choos the expansion of the abbreviation III
 - a) International institute of Teaching
 - b) Indian Institute of Technology
 - c) International Institute of Technology
 - d) Indian Institute of Teaching

10) Complete the following sentence with the most appropriate phrasal verb given below.

- Every one was sure he would _____
- a) go far
 - b) go for
 - c) look after
 - d) go on
- 11) Choose the suitable option to pair it with the word 'neatly' to form a compound word
- a) machine
 - b) spoon
 - c) combed
 - d) power

12) Fill in the blank with the most appropriate preposition given below.

- The walking had gone on _____ perhaps three minutes
- a) at
 - b) for
 - c) during
 - d) since

13) Complete the following sentence using the most appropriate tense form of the verb given below.

- Raja _____ English
- a) learn
 - b) is learning
 - c) learning
 - d) learned

14) Choose the most appropriate linker from the given four alternatives

- Walk carefully _____ your will fall down
- a) and also
 - b) incase of
 - c) otherwise
 - d) but

PART - II

Section - I

10x2=20

Answer any three of the following questions in a sentences or two. 3x2=6

- 15) Why did the young bird utter a joyfull scream?
- 16) How does Kim help Alisha?
- 17) What was the daily routine of Sanyal?
- 18) Write a short note on Tara Tarini.

Section - II

Read the following sets of poetic lines and answer any three of the following. 3x2=6

- 19) **My heart will keep the courage of the quest**
And hope the roads last turn will be the best
 - a) Does the poet achieve his childhood wish?
 - b) What does 'quest' mean?

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- 20) Thus ending he hastily lifted the wicket
And out of the door turned the poor little cricket
a) The ant refused to help the cricket. Why?
b) Explain the second line in your own words.
- 21) Despite the sighs and groans and moans
She's strong in her faith, firm in her belief
a) Is she complaining about the problems of life?
b) Pick out the words that show her grit.
- 22) They too aware of sun and air and water
Arefed by peaceful harvests, by war's long winter starv'd
a) What is common for all of us?
b) How ar we fed?

Section - III

Answer any three of the following.

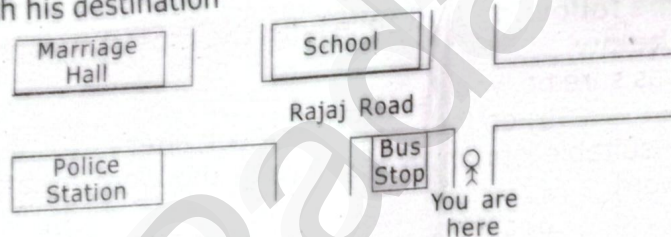
- 23) Rewrite the following sentence in other voice.
No one is borrowing the novels from the library
- 24) Rewrite using indirect speech.
"Where will you be tomorrow", I said, "in case I have to ring you?"
- 25) Punctuate the following sentence
where are we going sir asked the aero coachman
- 26) Transform the following sentence into a simple sentence:
It rained. The match was cancelled.
- 27) Rearrange the words in the correct order to make meaningful sentences.
a) all/this/have/say/is/to/I
b) as/I/healthy/are you/am/as

3x2=6

Section - IV

Answer the following questions.

- 28) A stranger wants to go to a marriage hall. Write the steps to guide him to reach his destination



1x2=2

PART - III

Section - I

Answer any two of the following in utmost 10 lines:

- 29) Describe the struggles under went by the young seaquill to over come its fear of flying.
- 30) Describe the funny incident that caused the confusion in the house.
- 31) How did Watson help his friend to arrest the criminal?
- 32) Give an account of the last day of M.Hamel in school.

10x5=50

2x5=10

Section - II

Answer any two of the following

- 33) Write a paragraph on 'The Grumble Family'
- 34) Where is the house located?
- 35) Read the following stanza and answer the questions given below.

2x5=10

Some water, coal and oil is all we ask
And a thousandth of an inch to give us play
And now if you will set us to our task
We will serve you four and twenty hours a day

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

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36)

Paraphrase the following stanza

Not a crumb to be found

On the snow-covered ground

Not a flower could he see

Not a leaf on a tree

'Oh waht will become' says - cricket, of me?

Section - III (Supplementary)

Answer any one of the following

37) Rearrange the following sentences in coherent order.

- He took care of the orderliness in the clinic
- Zig Zag was of a great trouble in the house
- Dr. Krishnan was surprised of the sudden change in Zig Zag
- Gone was Zig Zag's bored and grumpy expression
- Dr. Krishnan took him to the clinic

1x5=5

38) 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.

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

Section - IV

4x5=20

Answer any four of the following

39) Prepare an attractive advertisement using the hints given below.

Tenkasi book fair 2024 - more than 8000 books - 10% discount for students
- collection of rare books - special prize - Madurai - Main Road, ICI School auditorium, Tenkasi

40) You are Ravi. The street light of your area do not work properly. As a responsible citizen, write a letter to the newspaper enlightening them about the problem and also suggest ways to brighten the area.

41) You are the School Pupil leader. You have been asked to write a report on the 'Inaugural Ceremony of English Literary Club' of your school was held recently. Write a report on the same in not more than 120 words.

42) Look at the following picture and express your views on it in a paragraph of five sentences.



43) Make notes or write a summary of the following passage

Mental health means keeping our minds healthy. Generally mankind is more focused on keeping their physical body healthy. People tend to ignore the state of their minds. So, it becomes very important for a man to keep both his body and mind fit and healthy. An emotionally fit and stable person always feels vibrant and truly alive and can easily manage emotionally difficult situations. An emotionally strong person has to be physically fit too. A physically fit person can easily cope up with distress and depressing resulting in regular training contributing to a good physical fitness. The mind is one of the most powerful organs in the body, regulating the functioning of all other

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organs. When our minds are unstable, they affect the whole functioning of our bodies. Being both physically and emotionally fit is the key to success in all aspects of life. People should be aware of the consequences of mental illness by giving the utmost importance to keeping the mind healthy. Mental and physical health cannot be separated from each other. And only when both are balanced we can call a person perfectly healthy and well.

- 44) **Identify the errors in the following sentences and rewrite them correctly**
- He was suspended to show indiscipline
 - We must take things as they came
 - You should planned any work carefully
 - The luggages are very heavy
 - The peoples met the C.M, and gave a petition.

Section - V

1x5=5

Quote from Memory:

45) Let me but back in fear

- 46) **Write a paragraph about 150 words by developing the following hints.** 2x8=16

a) Chinese emperor - one member - family - join army - Mulan - teen girl - trained kung fu - joins - disguise - boy - wins battles - general - sick - doctor - reveals identity - emperor forgives re-unites family - six horse and swords.

(OR)

b) Holland - dikes - lie below sea level - peter prevent sea water - walks - besides the canal - small hole in dike - put his finger - holland - drowned while I am here. The little fellow - and screamed - next morning - a man - notice peter - alarm - people mended - brave hero.

PART - V (General Comprehension)

- 47) **Read the passage and answer the questions given below.**

a) Books are the greatest treasure of mankind. The habit of reading them is a source of pleasure. He, who is in the habit of reading books should buy books for himself. He should start collecting books from his youth. The books collected and arranged properly in a room not only decorates the room but also makes the presence of their authors felt. Books contain eternal truths and are better friends than those of flesh and blood as they not only entertain but also guide us.

Questions:

- What are the treasure and what gives pleasure?
- When should one start collecting books?
- What do books contain in them?
- Mention any two uses of reading books?

(OR)

Read the following poem and answer the questions given below.

b) Most of the time I mediate on the opposite wall
It is pink, with speckles, i have looked at it colony
I think it is part of my heart But it flickers
Faces and darkness separate us over and over
Now I am a lake. A woman bends over me,
Searching my reaches for what she really is
Then she turns to those liars, the candle and the moon
I see her back, reflect it faithfully
She rewards me with tears and agitation of hands
I am important to her, she comes and goes
Each morning it is her face that replaces the darkness
In me she has drowned a young girl and in me an old women
Rises toward her day after day, like a terrible fish - The mirror
- by Sylvia Plath

Questions:

- I have no preconceptions who says this?
- Why does the mirror say, 'I am not cruel, only truthful'?
- Why the candle and moon are called 'liars'?
- In this poem which word means 'prejudices'?