

X – Std

MODEL HALF YEARLY

Mark: 100

ENGLISH

Time: 3.00 Hrs.

PART - I

Answer all the questions

14 x 1 =14

Choose the appropriate synonyms for the italicized words.

1. The mother seagull *swooped* upwards
a) leap b) rush c) ascend d) move very quickly
2. She *whammed* it across the narrow space that separated the two houses.
a) pulled b) tapped c) pushed d) struck forcefully
3. He can control a computer screen with eye *gaze*
a) stare b) movement c) sight d) order

Choose the appropriate antonyms for the italicized word

4. I sat in silent *dejection*
a) cheer b) depression c) sadness d) sorrow
5. She screamed back *mockingly*
a) ridiculously b) jeeringly c) disrespectfully d) respectfully
6. With that, he *fetched* the officer who found the zither
a) Brought b) released c) captured d) carried
7. Choose the correct plural form of **table** from the followings
a) table b) tablea c) tableis d) tables
8. Form a derivative by adding the right prefix to the word "---- national"
a) inter b) un c) em d) dis
9. Choose the correct expansion of the abbreviation "BCE"
a) Below Common Era b) Before Common Era
c) Before Coming Era d) Bygone Common Era
10. Choose the correct phrasal meaning for the word – "to meet by chance"
a) Come down with b) come across c) come forward d) come from
11. Choose the suitable option to pair it with the word "Sun" to form a compound word
a) glasses b) hole c) hand d) post
12. Fill in the blank with the most appropriate preposition given below
I am worried ___ his health
a) with b) about c) at d) by
13. Complete the following sentence using the most appropriate tense form
The children _____ in the garden when the teacher arrived
a) played b) had played c) were playing d) play
14. Choose the most appropriate linker from the given options
I will return home ----- sunset.
a) if b) as c) unless d) after

PART – II**Section – I**

Answer any THREE of the following questions in a sentence or two **2 x 3 = 6**

15. What made the young seagull go mad? 16. Who were the narrator's neighbors?
 17. What does INSV stand for? 18. Who is Kim?

Section - II

Read the following sets of poetic lines and answer any THREE of the followings

3 x 2 = 6

19. Let me but live my life from year to year
 With forward face and unreluctant soul a) whom does the word "me" refer to?
 b) What kind of life does the poet want to lead?
20. A silly young cricket, accustomed to sing
 Through the warm, sunny months of gay summer and spring
 a) What was the routine of the cricket? b) Name the seasons mentioned here?
21. It sat alone
 What happened there is still today unknown
 a) What does "It" refer to?
 b) Did the poet know that what happened to the house?
22. They too aware of sun and air and water
 Are fed by peaceful harvests by war's long winter starv'd
 a) What is the common for all of us? b) How are we fed?

Section – III

Answer any THREE of the followings

3 X 2 = 6

23. Rewrite the following sentence in other voice:

How did they do this?

24. Change into indirect speech

The principal said, "Don't waste your time and concentrate on studies".

25. Punctuate the following sentence.

no its the inhabitants corely replied

26. Transform the following sentence into a simple sentence

You consult a doctor otherwise you cannot recover

27. Rearrange the words in the correct order to make meaningful sentences.

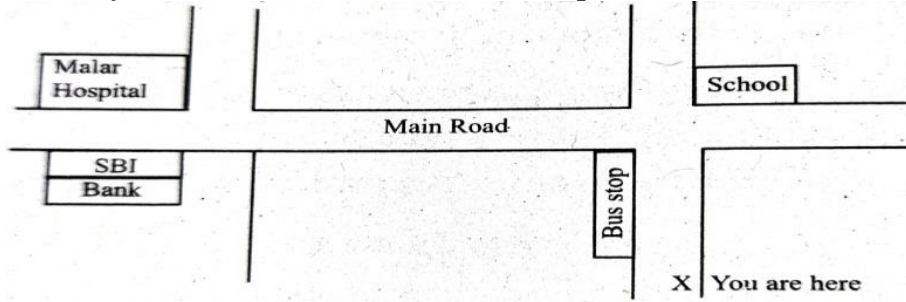
- a) neck/ together/ I / and/ will/ feet/ tie / your.
 b) speaks/ Ruban/ besides/ German/ languages/ two.

Section - IV

Answer the following question

1 x 2 = 2

28. A stranger asks you to direct him to Malar hospital. Guide him to reach the place



PART - III

Section - I

Answer any TWO of the followings in a paragraph

2 x 5 = 10

29. Write in detail about the selection and training process which the crew underwent.

30. Technology is a boon to the disabled – justify

31. How did Watson help his friend to arrest the criminal?

32. Describe the funny incident that caused the confusion in the house.

Section - II

Answer any TWO of the followings

2 x 5 = 10

33. Write a paragraph on “The grumble family” and their attitude towards others.

34. What feelings are evoked in us by the machines in the poem “The secret of machines?”

35. Read the following stanza and answer the questions given below

*In the dim past nor holding back in fear**From what the future veils but with a whole**And happy heart that pays its toll**To youth and age and travels on with cheer*

i) Pick out the rhyming words from the above lines

ii) Write the rhyme scheme of the given stanza

iii) Pick out the alliterating words from the third line

iv) Identify the figure of speech employed in the first line

36. Paraphrase the following stanza.

But remember, please the law by which we live

We are not built to comprehend a lie

We can neither love nor pity nor forgive

If you make a slip in handling us you die

Section - III

37. Answer any ONE of the followings

1 x 5 = 5

Rearrange the following sentences in coherent order.

i) Mulan, the General of the Army, became sick too

ii) No one cared anymore that Mulan was a woman

iii) After a few years Mulan was given the top job.

iv) Mulan proved to be a brave soldier.

v) She was not yet strong, but stood tall.

38. Read the following passage and answer the questions that follow **1 x 5 = 5**

Ariel took rather too much pleasure in tormenting an ugly monster called Caliban. He was the son of his old enemy Sycorax. Caliban was employed like a slave, to fetch wood, and do the most laborious offices. Ariel had the charge of compelling him to these services with the help of these spirits. Prospero could command the winds and the waves of the sea. By his order they raised a violent storm in the midst of the sea

Questions:

a) Who was the ugly monster referred here? b) Who tormented Caliban?

c) Who was Caliban? d) Which work was employed to Caliban?

e) Who commanded to raise the winds and the waves?

Section – IV

Answer any FOUR of the followings

4 x 5 = 20

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

Colourful and beautiful toys – Eco friendly– nontoxic – handy – buy one get one discount 10 % - 4 Amman koil street, Salem.

41. You are the captain of Khokho team. Write a report on the annual sports meet

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.

Guyana is a small country situated in the northern coast of South America, on the Atlantic Ocean. People of Indian ancestry form nearly 50% of its population, the rest are local Amerindians, and people of European and Chinese descent. Christopher Columbus is believed to have discovered Guyana in 1498. The Dutch landed there in the late 16th century and the local Amerindians welcomed them as trading partners. But the Dutch became permanent settlers and began ruling the country. Britain took over the country in 1796, and ceded the country with Great Britain and named it British Guyana in 1831. In 1834, slavery was abolished, and thousands of indentured laborers were brought from India, Portugal and China to replace the slaves working in sugarcane plantations. Two ships from Calcutta carried the Indians. The ship sailed with 249 people on 13th January 1838 and arrived in Guyana on 5th May. Today the country's population is nearly 8,00,000 in an area of 214969 sq.km. The average population density for Guyana is less than four persons per sq.km.

With silent delight
Sits and smiles on the night.

Questions:

- a) What is the time referred here? b) Where is the sun descending?
c) How are the birds? d) Which is compared to a flower?

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