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TTK   **SECOND MID - TERM TEST - 2024** (28.11.24)

8 - Std   **ENGLISH**

Time : 1.30 Hrs   Marks : 50

PART - I

I. Choose the appropriate synonyms for the italicised words: (3 x 1 = 3)

1. The *plaintive* song echoed through the empty room.
    a) happy   b) loud   c) sad   d) clumsy
2. She moved in a *languid* manner, as if she had all the time in the world.
    a) slow   b) hurry   c) fast   d) rapid
3. Men and women in festive *garb* were going and coming.
    a) fear   b) clothes   c) mood   d) place

II. Choose the appropriate antonyms for the italicised words: (3 x 1 = 3)

4. The river flowed through the *broad* valley, stretching far and wide.
    a) narrow   b) big   c) shallow   d) wide
5. The building had a *modern* design with sleek lines and large windows.
    a) new   b) Fashionable   c) ancient   d) trendy
6. The temple was a *sacred* place, filled with rituals and traditions.
    a) spiritual   b) unholy   c) divine   d) holy

III. Find and use the clipped words in your own sentence: (2 x 1 = 2)

7. photograph
8. luncheon

IV. Use the blended words in sentences of your own: (2 x 1 = 2)

9. smog
10. moped

V. Match with the meanings for the following Idioms: (4 x 1 = 4)

11. on cloud nine   -   easy
12. a piece of cake   -   someone who is cherished above all others
13. apple of my eye   -   completely perfect
14. at a snail's pace   -   blissfully happy

PART - II

15. Choose the suitable conjunctions from the options given in the brackets: (4 x 1 = 4)

(a) Rathi found her watch_____ she had left it. (*wherever / where*)
(b) I respect him _____ he is very strict. (*and / because*)
(c) The bus was overcrowded ____ he booked a taxi. (*so / for*)
(d) Mani is intelligent _____ careless. (*but / and*)

16. Choose the right pattern: (4 x 1 = 4)

(a) Pooja hired a bicycle   (i) SV   (ii) SVO   (iii) SVA
(b) The wall collapsed   (i) SV   (ii) SVO   (iii) SVIODO
(c) I promised the children a trip to the zoo.
(i) SV   (ii) SVDOIO   (iii) SVIODO
(d) He is smart.   (i) SV   (ii) SVC   (iii) SVOA

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PART - III

III. Answer any two of the following in one or two sentences: (2 x 2 =4)

17. In what way the river and its bank have charged?
18. How were the rooms arranged in his house?
19. Quote the expressions from the text when the author sees the Ganges again?

IV. Answer any one the following in a paragraph: (1 x 4 = 4)

20. Describe how the river looks when he rows back?
21. How does the author spend his afternoon? Explain.

PART - IV

V. Read the poem lines and answer the following questions: (4 x 1 = 4)

22. *A thing of beauty is a joy for ever*
    Its loveliness increases, it will never
    Pass into nothingness;but will keep
    A bower quiet for us, and a sleep

Questions:
a) How is a thing of beauty is joy forever?
b) Pick out the rhyming words in the given lines.
c) Pick out the alliterated words in the second line.

VI. Quote from memory: (4 x 1 = 4)

23. *From* "A bower quiet....
    To...to the earth,

PART - V

24. **Read the passage and answer the following questions:** (4 x 1 = 4)

The landlord had commissioned a poor milkmaid, Moti, to supply a tumblerful of milk to the pundit, everyday in the morning. The milkmaid discharged her duty faithfully, day after day. She crossed the river by the help of a ferry boat and returned home in the same way after delivering the milk at the pundits' household. Often the pundit himself received the milk.

Questions:
(a) What did the landlord tell the milkmaid?
(b) How did the milkmaid discharge her duty?
(c) How did she cross the river?
(d) Who received the milk?

25. **Fill in the blanks:** (2 x 1 = 2)
(a) Moti is a poor _____.
(b) The pundit was an _____ speaker.

26. **Identify the speaker:** (2 x 1 = 2)
(a) Tell the boatman how pleased I am with him".
(b) "But, I apply the secret!"

PART - VI

27. **Your school is going to organise an inter school dance competition.**
Write a notice for your school notice board inviting all the interested students to participate in the event. (4 x 1 = 4)

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