08-HALF YEARLY EXAM ANSWER KEY

SECTION A - VOCABULARY

1. The mother **consoled** her little girl.

Answer: b) comforted

2. Writing is a **unique** hobby.

Answer: b) uncommon

3. Isaac was chiefly **remarkable** for his ingenuity.

Answer: b) notable

4. The **plaintive** babbling of the river.

Answer: a) sad

5. She was feeling very **exhausted.**

Answer: c) tired

6. He is very **careless.**

Answer: a) thoughtless

7. Ajay **suffered** an injury.

Answer: a) sorrow

8. His grandmother was very **kind** to him.

Answer: c) loving

9. The rooms were **regularly** arranged.

Answer: b) properly

10. It is a **latest** mobile.

Answer: b) updated

11. Pick out the correct homophone:

I will **meet** my friend.

12. Chennai is the **capital** of Tamil Nadu.

13. Write the expanded form for OTP: One-Time

Password

14. Write the expanded form for PAN: Permanent

Account Number

15. A **cup** of tea.

16. A **shower** of rain.

17. Write the plural form of:

Datum - Data

Thesis - Theses

18. Choose the best answer to make a compound

word:

Which word can be placed after "safe"?

Answer: b) guard

19. Which word can be placed before "corn"?

Answer: a) blood

20. Add suitable prefix/suffix:

Sub + colour = Subcolour

Friend + ship = Friendship

21. Syllabify the following words:

Education - e-du-ca-tion

Teacher - teach-er

SECTION B - GRAMMAR

22. Write other degrees of "fast":

Comparative - Faster

Superlative - Fastest

23. Fill in the blanks using correct prepositions:

We go to school **on** Mondays, but not on Sunday.

I work faster **at** night.

24. Choose the correct right pattern:

Pooja hired a bicycle.

Answer: b) SVO

25. In 1998, Frank moved to London.

Answer: a) ASVA

26. Fill in the blanks with appropriate tense form:

They were watching TV when they **heard** a loud

bang at the door.

SECTION C-PROSE

27. Where did the sparrows build the nest?

Answer: In the veranda of the house.

28. Why did the bird drop the diamond stud?

Answer: Because it was too heavy to carry.

29. What was Ajay gifted with?

Answer: Ajay was gifted with a pet dog.

30. Who was taking care of Newton after his father's death?

Answer: Newton's grandmother was taking care of

31. How were the rooms arranged in Tagore's brother's house?

Answer: The rooms were irregularly arranged.

32. What is STREET SMART?

Answer: It means the ability to handle practical situations effectively.

33. Why were Newton's friends attracted by the windmill?

Answer: Because it was a unique invention.

Write any one of the following in about 100 words:

34. Why did the sparrow throw the nose jewel into Ramaya's house?

Answer: The sparrow threw the nose jewel into Ramaya's house to keep it safe.

35. Write a note on Ilavazhagi:

(Write about her chess skills, dedication, or story as per text.)

36. Write about road safety rules:

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(Discuss wearing helmets, following traffic lights, and other basic safety rules.)

SECTION D - POETRY

37. Who is the speaker?

Answer: The speaker is a poet who is sharing their feelings.

38. Who is the special hero mentioned in the poem? Answer: The special hero is someone the poet admires greatly.

39. What is a joy forever?

Answer: A joy forever is something that brings lasting happiness and beauty.

40. Pick out the rhyming words from the lines:

Answer: Know - Hero, Ever - Never

Here are the answers to the questions from the second image:

SECTION - E SUPPLEMENTARY

43. **Mistress, Master, hear me yelp,

Out-of-doors, I want your help.**

- a) Write the rhyme scheme: **aabb**
- b) What is the figure of speech? **Personification**
- 44. **Write a paragraph on the father's love as described in the poem "Special Hero":**

Answer: The poem "Special Hero" highlights the unconditional love, care, and support a father gives to his child. He is a guiding light, always there to protect and encourage his child, teaching valuable lessons of life.

45. **Describe how "a thing of beauty is a joy forever":**

Answer: A thing of beauty brings eternal joy and peace to our hearts. Its charm never fades, and it inspires us to find happiness and solace in life.

46. **How can one make this life worthwhile?**
Answer: By showing kindness to others, finding joy in simple things, and contributing positively to society, one can make life meaningful and worthwhile.

47. **From memory: From When I was... To... your eyes.**

(Answer as per your memory of the text.)

Choose the best answer:

48. Satish and Arun were **12** years old boys.

Answer: a) 12

49. Corbett shot wild animals in his **gun.**

Answer: a) gun

50. The hermit lived in a **wood.**

Answer: c) wood

51. Moti is a poor **milkmaid.**

Answer: a) milkmaid

52. The instinct in **birds** had often saved the lives

of men.

Answer: a) birds

Match the following:

53.

- a) Women in white **wise**
- b) Champawat tiger **man-eater**
- c) King **eloquent speaker**
- d) Pundit **dressed simply**
- e) Black beauty **three questions*
- **Jim Corbett National Park Passage:**

54. **Who played a key role in establishing the National Park?**

Answer: Jim Corbett

55. **Why was the park named Hailey National

Park?**

Answer: It was named after Lord Malcolm Hailey, who

supported its creation.

56. **When was it renamed as Jim Corbett National

Park?**

Answer: In 1957

Identify the Character Speaker:

57. "Yes, I am going to school."

Answer: The hermit

58. "But I apply the secret."

Answer: The king

*Answer any one of the following in about a paragraph:**

59. **According to Corbett, why does a tiger turn into a man-eater?**

Answer: A tiger turns into a man-eater when it is old or injured, making it unable to hunt its natural prey. It then attacks humans to survive.

60. **Write about the answers given by the hermit to the king.**

Answer: The hermit told the king that the most important time is "now," the most important person is "the one you are with," and the most important act is to "do good."

61. **What did John think about human's attitude towards animals?**

Answer: John believed that humans often exploit animals and fail to show empathy towards them, leading to the destruction of their natural habitats.

SECTION - F WRITING SKILL

62. **Write a letter to your father asking permission to go on an Educational Tour.**

Answer: (Draft a formal letter with details about the tour, benefits, and expenses.)

63. **Write a letter to the Postmaster General on non-receipt of a book parcel.**

Answer: (Draft a formal letter mentioning the date of sending the parcel, expected delivery, and request for action.)

- 64. **Developing the following hints:**
- Farmer in a village had a hen that laid golden eggs.
- The farmer became rich selling the golden eggs but grew greedy.
- He wanted all the eggs at once and killed the hen.
- However, he found no eggs and was left with nothing.
- The moral is: Greed leads to loss.
- 65. **Write a notice for a school dance competition.**
 Answer:

Notice

Date: [Insert Date]

Our school is organizing an Inter-School Dance Competition on [Insert Date]. Students from all grades are invited to participate. For details, contact the SPL before [Insert Deadline].

66. **Express your views about the picture in about five sentences:**

Answer:

The picture shows children in a library engaged in reading and borrowing books. It reflects the importance of books in shaping young minds. Libraries are essential for fostering a love for learning and reading. The environment appears calm and organized. This scene emphasizes the value of education and curiosity in students' lives.

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