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Tenkasi District

Common Half Yearly Exam, December - 2024



12-12-24

Standard 8

ENGLISH

Section - A

Part - I

Time: 2.30 Hours

Marks: 100

I. Choose the appropriate synonyms of the underlined word:

5x1=5

- 1) The mother consoled her little girl
a) pretended b) comforted c) left
- 2) The poor woman is in a panic
a) fear b) grid c) crash
- 3) Ajay started to paint happily
a) Depressed b) Joyfully c) unhappily
- 4) Dixie was feeling very exhausted
a) joy b) Wounded c) tired
- 5) The neem tree was a big antique in his garden
a) modern b) ancient c) updated

II. Choose correct antonyms for the underlined word:

5x1=5

- 6) Ajay suffered an injury
a) sorrow b) endure c) hurt
- 7) Ajay mastered the techniques of painting
a) skilled b) proficient c) unskilled
- 8) His Gandmother was very kind to him
a) Affectionate b) loving c) cruel
- 9) Karan visited his ancestral village
a) offspring b) family c) house
- 10) It is the latest mobile
a) updated b) outdated c) new

Part - II

III. Answer the following:

10x1=10

- 11) Choose the correct Homophone
I _____ my friend
a) Meet b) Meat
- 12) Choose the correct expansion of **VR**
a) Valuable record b) Virtual reality c) Visit record d) Visual reader
- 13) Choose the correct plural form of **staff**
a) staff b) staffs c) staffes d) staffis
- 14) Choose the option to pair with 'snow'
a) light b) fill c) ball d) star
- 15) Add prefix to the word _____ literate
a) in b) im c) il d) un
- 16) Syllabify the following word:
Look
- 17) The clipped form of 'newscast'
a) cast b) news c) casts d) new
- 18) Find out the idiom from the given sentence:
His name is under cloud for the theft case.
- 19) Write a sentence of your own for the homonym 'fly'
- 20) Write a sentence of your own using the phrasal verb 'call on'

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Section - D

Part - I

VIII. Quote from memory:

1x8=8

44) First 8 lines of the poem "Making Life Worth While"

From : Every soul

To: of faith

Part - II

IX. 45) Read the following poetic lines and answer the questions below: 7x1=7

- 1) There is something special
About a father's love
Seems it was sent to me
From some place up above
 - a) Pick out the rhyming words.
 - b) Find out the rhyme scheme of the above lines.
 - c) Identify the alliteration in the given lines.
 - d) Who is the special hero.
- 2) It keeps my rational Doors ajar
 - a) What does 'ajar' mean?
- 3) Mistress, Masters, hear me yelp,
I'm out-of-doors, I want your help
Let me in-oh, LET ME IN
Before those fireworks begin
 - a) Whom did the dog ask for help?
 - b) Write the rhyme scheme of the above poetic lines.

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Part - III

X. Answer any one of the following in about 100 words:

1x5=5

- 46) What is the central ideal of the poem A thing of Beauty.
- 47) What do you understand from the poem 'my hobby: Reading'?

Section - E

Part - I

XI. Choose the best answer:

5x1=5

- 48) Arun was sitting in Platform _____

a) No. 7	b) No. 8	c) No. 4	d) No. 2
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- 49) The king wanted to know the answers for _____ questions

a) three	b) five	c) nine	d) ten
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- 50) The hermit lived in a _____

a) cottage	b) palace	c) wood	d) house
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- 51) The seasons mentioned in the story is _____

a) spring	b) autumn	c) summer	d) winter
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- 52) The bridge was broken in the _____

a) front	b) rear	c) middle	d) up
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XII. Identify the character/speaker:

5x1=5

- 53) I am glad to know that
- 54) "They all answered his questions differently"
- 55) "But I apply the secret"?
- 56) "Tell the boatman how pleased I am with him"
- 57) "Now rest awhile - and let me work a bit"?

Part - II

XIII. Answer any one of the following questions:

1x5=5

- 58) What is the message of the hermit?
59) How will you take care of your pet? Write about in fifty words.

Section - F

Part - I

XIV. Letter Writing:

3x5=15

60) Write a letter to your friend about summer holidays.

61) **Prepare a notice:**

Your school is going to organize an inter - school dance competition. Write a notice for your school notice board inviting all the interested students.

62) **Develop the following hints:**

Tortoise - hare - forest - tortoise walking - seen by a hare laughs - tortoise speed - tortoise sad - bet - race - tortoise moving - slow speed - hare moves - fast - sleeps tortoise reaches winning point - first-wins the bet.
