COMMON HALF YEARLY EXAMINATION - 2024

*   **Standard VIII**   Reg.No. ☐☐☐☐☐☐

ENGLISH   12·12·24

THENI

Time : 2.30 hrs   **Marks : 100**

I. Write the Synonyms for the following words.   5 x 1 = 5

1. The Neem tree was a big _antique_ in his garden.
   a) Modern   b) Ancient   c) Updated   d) Outdated

2. In case of _Emergency_ you should go to the hospital.
   a) Good Fortune   b) Peace   c) Crisis   d) Benefit

3. I recognised the _Ministrations_ of a mother.
   a) Caring   b) Avoid   c) Neglecting   d) Alone

4. He will make a _capital_ workman.
   a) Wealth   b) Excellent   c) Profitable   d) Head

5. You are always _Self-centred_.
   a) Egoistic   b) Generous   c) Heroic   d) Sympathy

II. Write the Antonyms for the following words.   5 x 1 = 5

6. It will be a _disgrace_ to us.
   a) Shame   b) Hesitation   c) Honour   d) Take care

7. The boy seemed to have a _taste_ for mathematics.
   a) Delicious   b) Sweet   c) Distaste   d) Against

8. We should use our mobile _Safely_.
   a) Unsafely   b) Curiously   c) Homeless   d) Careful

9. It is a _latest_ mobile.
   a) Updated   b) Outdated   c) New   d) Modern

10. Ajay _suffered_ an injury.
    a) Sorrow   b) Endure   c) Hurt   d) Mourn

III. Fill in the blanks with appropriate answer.   5 x 1 = 5

11. _____ is a more serious health related illness.

12. The _____ glimmered over the smooth flowing stream.

13. The author speaks about the river _____.

14. Ramayya and his wife lived with the fear of _____.

15. Isaac Newton was born at _____.

IV. Answer the following questions.   10 x 1 = 10

16. _Choose the correct collective noun._
    Yesterday, I bought a _____ of shoes.
    a) pair   b) choir   c) dozen   d) herd

17. _Fill in the blanks by using correct preposition._
    Christmas falls _____ 25th December.
    a) in   b) on   c) for   d) from

18. Form a derivative by adding suffix to the word '_Friend_'
    a) ship   b) ness   c) ful   d) tion

19. Form a derivative by adding preffix to the word "_Kind_"
    a) Re   b) Un   c) Im   d) Non

20. Write the plural form of the word "**Man**"
    a) Men   b) Mans   c) Man
21. Choose the correct expansion of abbreviation "**GB**"
    a) Giga Bet   b) Giga Bit   c) Giga Byte
22. Choose the correct answer to make a compound word "**Black**"
    a) board   b) garden   c) play
23. Syllabify the following word "**again**"
    a) 1 syllable   b) 2 syllable   c) 3 syllable
24. *Fill in the blanks by choose a correct modal*
    _____ Please close the door.
    a) Would you   b) Could you   c) Will you
25. *Choose the correct homophone.*
    The _____ rises in the east.
    a) son   b) sun

V.   Punctuate the following sentence.   1 x 2 = 2
26. i dont live here i said
VI. Choose the correct pattern.   2 x 1 = 2
27. The wall collapsed.
    a) SV   b) SVO   c) SVIODO
28. Pooja hired a bicycle.
    a) SV   b) SVO   c) SVA
VII. Fill in the blanks with suitable degree.   3 x 1 = 3

Positive	Comparitive	Superlative
Fast		Fastest
	More beautiful	Most beautiful
Tall	Taller	

29. **Find out the blended words.**   5 x 1 = 5
    a) binary + digit   _____
    b) motor + hotel   _____
    c) vital + amine   _____
    d) education + satellite _____
    e) smoke + fog   _____
30. **Match the following.**   3 x 1 = 3
    1. Jump for Joy   -   Good chance
    2. Big Cheese   -   Happy
    3. Golden opportunity -   Great person

PROSE

VIII. Answer the following questions. (any three)   3 x 2 = 6
31. What according to grandpa is the most serious illness?
32. What is being STREET SMART?
33. Who was suspected of stealing the diamond nose stud?
34. How was Newton honoured by the King?
35. How were the rooms arranged in the author's house?

IX. Answer any one of the following.
1 x 5 = 5

36. What are the safety measures to be followed for sunstroke?
37. Explain in detail how the Author spends his afternoon?

POEM

X. Answer any three of the following.
3 x 2 = 6

38. Where did the dog hide himself?
39. How is a thing of beauty joy forever?
40. What should we learn from every soul?
41. Who is the special hero mentioned in the poem?
42. What does 'Ajar' mean?

XI. Answer the following questions. (Any two)
2 x 5 = 10

43. Match the rhyming words from the poem.

Hark	crouch
Too	hand
Yelp	dark
Grand	help
Couch	do

44. Explain the importance of Reading according to the poet "Arunachalam Chandrase Kharan".
45. Mention Christina M.Kerschen's affection towards her father?

XII. Quote from memory.
1 x 5 = 5

46. From : Every soul ....
.... thought

SUPPLEMENTARY

XIII. Write True (or) False.
5 x 1 = 5

47. a) The strange lady gave tea & Samosas to Arun.
     b) Jim Corbetts First man eating tiger hunt was champawat tiger.
     c) The hermit lived in a palace.
     d) Moti is a poor milkmaid.
     e) The king has three questions in his mind.

XIV. Match the following.
5 x 1 = 5

48. a) Woman in white - Ritual
     b) Jim Corbett - Milkmaid
     c) Moti - Champawat tiger
     d) Vow - Boat
     e) Ferry - Dressed simply

XV. Identify the character / speaker.
5 x 1 = 5

49. a) Now rest a while - and let me work a bit
     b) Are you all alone my son
     c) Let me take the spade and work for you
     d) But I apply the secret
     e) Tell the boatman how pleased I am with him

50. Read the following passage and answer the questions given below.   5 x 1 = 5

Edward James Corbett popularly known as Jim Corbett. He often hunted with Robin, his dog. Jim Corbett played a key role in establishing, India's first National Park in the Kumaon Hills, the Hailey National Park, in Uttarakhand, India. It was initially named after, Lord Malcolm Hailey. Jim Corbett died on 19 April 1955. The park was renamed in 1957 as, the Jim Corbett National Park. It was named after him to honour his role in establishing this protected area in 1930s.
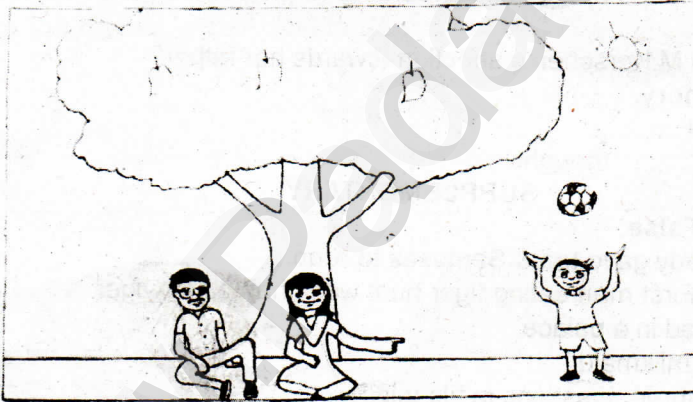
1) What was the brith name of Jim Corbett?
2) What was the brith name of Corbett's dog?
3) Who played a key role in establishing the National Park?
4) Why was the park named Hailey National Park?
5) When was it renamed as Jim Corbett National Park?

51. Develop the following hints into a passage.   1 x 3 = 3

Akbar - Birbal - Courtiers jealous of Birbal - ask Akbar - test Birbal wiseness - courtier put a question - How many crows in Agra - Birbal asks for a week - everyday sitting on the terrace - looking at the crows - after a week - courtier asks - Birbal says 156757 crows - asks the courtier to check - Akbar laughs.

52. Look at the following picture and answer the questions given below.   5 x 1 = 5

a) Mention the name of a Tree present in this picture?
b) Who is playing with ball?
c) Where does his parents sit?
d) Is it day time (or) night time?
e) Would you like to play volley ball?

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