

MODEL HALF YEARLY EXAMINATION – DEC 2024

IX-Std]

ENGLISH
(Maximum Marks: 100)

[Time: 2.30 Hrs

PART – I

14x1=14

- I. Choose the appropriate synonyms for the underlined words:**
- All my excess energies were getting channelled into cricket.
a)insufficient b)surplus c) enough
 - Clam looked at Pongo furiously.
a)angrily b)politely c)gently
 - What should be done is not by giving a sermon.
a)listening b)preach c)statement
- II. Choose the appropriate Antonyms for the underlined words.**
- He did not look very prosperous.
a)lucky b)fortunate c)unlucky
 - I hope we don't have a flood here!
a)wet b)overflow c)drought
 - Conductors were often rude.
a)rough b)polite c)cruel
- 7. Fill in the blank with suitable homophone given in brackets.**
The driver applied the hand _____ to stop the car. (Break / Brake)
- 8. Add a suffix to the word 'constant'**
- a)ty b)ly c)ment
- 9. Choose the correct Idiom for that word that underlined:**
she is in deep waters.
- a)in big trouble b)in tears c)in a ship
- 10. Choose the most appropriate preposition from the choices given below:**
We will be visiting my grandparents _____ the summer vacation.
- a)when b)with c)during
- 11. Complete the following sentences by using the correct Non –Finite verb given below:**
She said " Please help me _____ the road".
- a)to cross b)crossing c)crossed
- 12. Choose the suitable Model verb for the given sentence:**
Nehru wished his daughter " _____ you grow up into a brave soldier in India's service".
- a)will b)need c)may
- 13. Choose the appropriate Prepositional phrase for the given sentence:**
_____ the rains, we went out.
- a)In spite of b)In spite c)In spite on
- 14. Fill in the blank with the suitable Degrees:**
Tsunami is _____ than cyclone.
- a)destructive b)more destructive c)most destructive

PART – II**SECTION – I (PROSE)****Answer ANY THREE of the following:**

3x2=6

15. What did the visitor hide in the Jackfruit tree?
16. Who is addressed as 'Bapuji'?
17. What was Clem Jones carrying in the box during his second attempt?
18. What did embarrass Sachin in the bus?

SECTION – II (POETRY)**Read the following sets of poetic lines and answer ANY THREE of the following:** 3x2=6

19. "And out of its leprous hide
Sprouting leaves".
a) What does the phrase 'leprous hide' mean?
b) What comes out of the leprous hide?
20. "Faster than a cheetah
With a tail that's miles long".
a) Why is the comet compared to a cheetah?
b) Whose tail is compared here?
21. "It takes much time to kill a tree,
Will do it. It has grown".
a) Why does it take much time to kill a tree?
b) How has the tree grown.
22. "And now dear little children who may this story read,
To idle, silly flattering words, I pray you ne'er give head".
a) Who does 'I' refer to?
b) What is the advice given to the readers?

SECTION – III (GRAMMAR)**Answer ANY THREE of the following:**

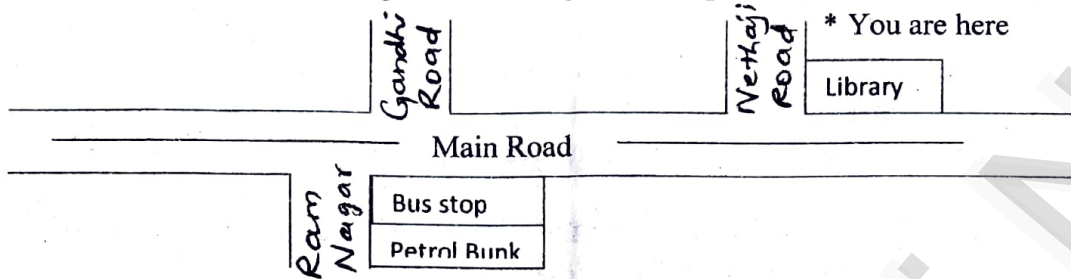
3x2=6

23. **Rewrite the following sentence to the other voice:**
The cat is drinking milk.
24. **Rewrite using Reported speech:**
The old man said to the student, "Please help me cross the street".
25. **Punctuate the following sentence:**
brij get a grip on yourself uncle pleaded
26. **Rearrange the words in the correct order to make meaningful sentences:**
a) the diamond / bright / are like / eyes / your
b) only / of her / thinking / head / crested
27. **Write the suitable tense verb for the given sentences:**
a) As you can see, I _____ this can of milk to the shop. (carry)
b) The dog appeared and told him what _____. (happen)

SECTION – IV (COMPULSORY)

28. You are near the Library. A stranger asks you to direct him to the Petrol bunk.
Give three instructions using the following Road map:

1x2=2

**PART – III****SECTION – I (PROSE)**

Answer ANY TWO of the following in utmost 10 lines:

2x5=10

29. Narrate in your own words the hardships underwent by Sachin to become a great cricketer.
30. Explain the important elements of Nehru's letter.
31. Describe the 'home alone' experience of the children.
32. Describe the confrontation between the narrator and Pongu.

SECTION –II (POEM)

Answer any 'two' of the following in utmost 10 lines:

2x5=10

33. How does the poet bring out the pain of the tree?
34. Write a summary of the poem "Stopping by woods on a snowy evening".
35. "I'm sure you must be weary, dear with soaring up so high;
Will you rest upon my little bed?" said the spider to the fly.
"There are pretty curtains drawn around; the sheets are fine and thin,
And if you like to rest a while, I'll snugly tuck you in."
a) Identify the figure of speech
b) Pick out the alliterated words.
c) Pick out the Rhyming words.
d) Identify the Rhyme scheme of the given lines
36. Narrate how the poet describes the comet.

SECTION –III (SUPPLEMENTARY)

37. Rearrange the sentence in coherent order:

5x1=5

- (i) Tom was dull and depressed.
(ii) His aunt Polly was an experimenter in medicine.
(iii) At last, she gave him a pain killer.
(iv) Tom's friend, Becky, stopped coming to school.
(v) She tried different types of remedies on him.

SECTION – IV (WRITING)

Answer ANY FOUR of the following:

4x5=20

38. Prepare an attractive advertisement using the hints given below:
Hurry – 50 % off – Group –tours –limited seats –Tamil travels Malaysia – 3 Nights and 2 days Rs. 20000/- accommodation, sight – seeing – book now –Tours and travels – M.G Road – Bangalore.
39. Write a letter to the Headmaster / Headmistress of your school requesting for a Bonafide certificate.
40. You are Rathi Ragul, head boy /girl of ABC convent school. Your school is going to organize an inter –school singing competition. Write a notice for your school notice board inviting names of all the interested students.
41. **Make notes or write a summary of the following passage:**
Karagattam is a popular folk dance of Tamil Nadu , which involves balancing a pot on the head to musical accompaniment. The Karagam pots are decorated with a cone of flower arrangements topped by a paper parrot. The parrot swings as the dancer swings along Karagattam has two divisions- atta karagam and sakthi karagam this of dance is very popular all over TamilNadu. Both male and female performers participate in this dance. Acrobatics such as up and down a ladder, threading a needle while bonding backwards form a parts of this dance.
42. **Look at the picture and express your views on it in and write five sentences:**



SECTION – V (MEMORITER – COMPULSARY)

43. **Quote from memory:** 1x5=5
From: Ramapaging To:Cheetah.

PART – IV

44. **Write a paragraph about 100 words by developing the following hints:** 1x8=8
- a) An honest couple –dog –luck –envious wicked couple –borrowed –not bring luck-killed –buried- Pine tree –honest man’s dream –mortar –pine tree –honest man-treasure-borrowed mortar-burnt-dog appeared dream –sprinkle ashes –withered trees-comeback-life –prince –rich reward –wicked man-ashes –eyes of the prince –punished.
- (or)
- b) Brij –meet –weary traveler –recall –past life –terrible earthquake –native village Molthi arrive –flattened house –dead bodies –mother brother-expect Bhuli-not accept –death –sister –army officer-search again –three armed soldiers –tired –Laboured –Bhuli under debris –hundred and sixteen hours –thank Army officer –Brij hope –see-one day- teashop –garhwal –offer-cup of tea –travellers-tired.

45.a) **Read the following paragraph and answer the questions given below:** 1x5=5

Comets, Meteors and asteroid have several things in common first they are believed to be remnants of the materials that created the sun and the planets. comets are mostly made of ice some of the ice melts off and become a gas .this melting process causes bits of dust and debris to trail behind the comet. This tail can be seen in the night sky as a bright, quickly -moving light .Comets orbit at the very edge of the galaxy past Pluto.

Questions:

1. What are comets, meteors and asteroids?
2. Are they planets?
3. What are comets made of?
4. Where do comets orbit?
5. Some of the ice _____ and becomes a gas.

(OR)

b) **Read the following poem and answer the questions given below:**

He taught ne life's lessons
Or right from wring
And Instilled in me values
That I might be strong

And so, dear dad
My best memory to recall
Is the gift of your presence,
The greatest gift of all

Questions:

1. Who taught life's lessons to the little girl?
2. What did he instill?
3. What is her greatest gift?
4. What made her strong?
5. Give a suitable Title for this poem.

46. **Handwriting:**

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