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Tirunelveli District
Common Half Yearly Examination - 2024

009231

Time: 3.00 Hours

Standard 9
ENGLISH
PART - IMarks: 100
14×1=14**Choose the appropriate synonym for the underlined words.**

- 1) Clem looked at Pongo **Furiously**
a) politely b) gently c) angrily d) calmly
- 2) He **slithered** down into a flower - bed
a) slipped b) jumped c) crawled d) ascended
- 3) Practice hard and see what magic can **transpire**
a) opened b) revealed c) careful d) chase

Choose the appropriate antonyms for the underlined words.

- 4) Pongo **locked** the narrator inside the cabin
a) closed b) sealed c) released d) chocked
- 5) His grandfather **cranking** up the old car
a) start b) end c) young d) climb
- 6) Sachin **bunked** my daily evening practice
a) present b) alive c) progress d) chase
- 7) **Fill in the blanks with suitable homophones**
..... students could not do the [sum/some]
- 8) **Form a derivative by adding the right prefix to the word courage**
a) en b) In c) Sub d) It
- 9) **Complete the sentence with an appropriate modal verb**
You wear a coat, It's quite warm
a) may b) should c) can d) must
- 10) **Complete the following sentence with the most appropriate phrasal verb given below.**
The narrator was oranges
a) Fond on b) Fond about c) Fond in d) Fond in
- 11) **Fill in the blanks with the most appropriate preposition given below**
The cricket ball was hidden the bushes
a) among b) between c) in d) at
- 12) **Choose the suitable non-finite verb from the given alternatives**
..... a long distance I felt tired
a) Having walked b) Had walked c) walking d) To walk
- 13) **Choose the correct meaning of the idiom a fish out of water**
a) feels uncomfortable b) feels dry
c) feels thirsty d) boring
- 14) **Complete the following sentence using an appropriate prepositional phrase**
I am standing here my friends
a) in behalf on b) on behalf of c) by behalf d) behalf off

PART - II**Section - I**

3×2=6

Answer any three of the following questions in a sentence or two

- 15) Why was sachin asked to change the school?
- 16) How did he get back the Iron cross?
- 17) How does water help in the formation of fertile land?
- 18) How did the narrator feel after eating seventeen oranges?

Section - II

3×2=6

Read the following sets of poetic lines and answer any three of the following.

- 19) **My little horse must think it queer
To stop without a farmhouse near**
a) Who is the speaker?
b) Pick out the rhyming words?

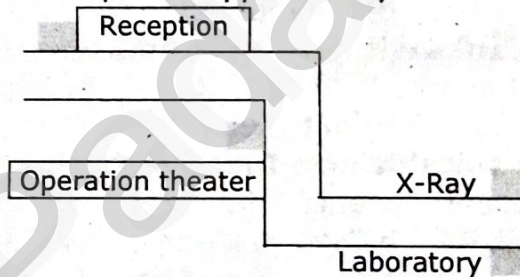
- 20) **And I watered it in fears
Night and Morning with my tears**
a) What does it refer to?
b) How is it watered?
- 21) **And out of its leperous hide
Sprouting leaves**
a) What does the phrase leperous hide mean?
b) What comes out of the leperous hide?
- 22) **And now dear little children who may 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**3×2=6****Answer any three of the following:**

- 23) **Transform the following sentence into Positive degree**
Raju is the strongest boy in the class IX.
- 24) **Identify the dependent clauses or phrases in the following sentences**
Kavin bought a car which was too expensive
- 25) **Complete the following sentence using the appropriate tense.**
a) The trains to chennai always (run) on time
b) The dog (sleep) on the sofa last night.
- 26) **Punctuate the following sentence**
donot eat it said the voice
- 27) **Write questions for the answers**
1) Yes, we are planning to go
2) Yes, it is working

Section - IV**1×2=2****Answer the following question:**

- 28) You are near the Reception. A patient approaches you to direct him to the laboratory.

**PART - III****Section - 1****2×5=10****Answer any two of the following in a paragraph.**

- 29) Narrate in your own words the hardships Under went by sachin to become a great cricketer.
- 30) Write about the man's reminiscences of his youthful days at the old house
- 31) How does C.V.Raman show that water is the real elixir of life?
- 32) Describe the confrontation between the narrator and pongo.

Section - 2**2×5=10****Answer any two of the following:**

- 33) How does the poet bring out the pain of the tree?
- 34) What does the spider do to trap the fly?
- 35) *My little horse must think it queer,
To stop without a farmhouse heat
Between the woods and frozen lake
The darkest evening of the year*
a) Who is the speaker?
b) Why should the horse think it queer?
c) Pick out the rhyming words
d) Pick out the rhyming scheme

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36) **Paraphrase the following stanza**

I was angry with my friend
I told my wrath, my wrath did end
I was angry with my foe
I tole it not, my wrath did grow

Section - 3

1×5=5

Answer any one of the following:37) **Rearrange the following sentences in correct order.**

- 1) He had a pet dog.
- 2) The old people brought a space and began digging in that area
- 3) One day they went out to their garden with their dog.
- 4) Suddenly the dog stopped shart and began to bark.
- 5) There lived an honest man with his wife.

38) **Read the following passage and answer the questions that follow**

The epicentre was in a valley not far from here. There were six hundred and seventy villages in the valley. Six hundred and two were destroyed. The earthquake lasted less than five minutes time enough to set these centuries-old mountains crashing to reduce our villages to rubble to snuff out hundreds of lives. It was sheer chance that I was away that night. I had gone to Pauri to buy my school books. I stayed the night at my uncle's house we felt the tremors we ran out into the open. Again and again the tremors came. We spent the entire night outside

- a) How amy villages were there in the valley?
- b) Which is lasted less than five minutes
- c) Why did he go to pauri?
- d) Where did he stay at night?
- e) Where did they spend the night?

Section - 4

4×5=20

Answer any four of the following:39) **Prepare an attractive advertisement using the hints given below.**

Foot wear for all - all sizes - endless variety all brands - under one roof
attractive offers - shoes and heels - 43, MG. Road Villupuram.

40) **Look at the following picture and express your views on its in a paragraph of five sentences.**

41) Write a letter to your friend, describing the Joy of celebrating festivals in village

42) You are the co-ordinator for the Kalai Thiruvizha in your school. Write a notice about the competition to be held in your school campus

43) **Make notes or write a summary of the following passage.**

Our blood consists of three types of blood cells: red blood cells, white blood cells and Platelets. The red blood cells are small, thin and disc shaped. They are composed of an iron containing component called haemoglobin. When blood passes through the lungs each haemoglobin molecule picks up four oxygen molecules and supplies them to the body's tissues. Red blood cells also transport the carbon dioxide from the tissues to the lungs. The lungs throw out this gas when we exhale. The while blood cells are big and few compared to red cells, numbering only one for every 700 red cells. They are the body's defenders the soldiers that fight bacteria and other enemies. One kind for instance, destroys dead cells. Other kinds produce antibodies against viruses. Some other consume and digert bacteria

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44) Identify the errors in the following sentences and rewrite them correctly

- i) No News are good news
- ii) I have seen the film last week
- iii) Nithya is taller to Nivi
- iv) Raju bought some costly furnitures.
- v) Ramu is a honest man

Section - 5

1×5=5

Quote from Memory:

- 45) Rising out of
..... leaves

Part - IV

2×8=16

46) Write a paragraph of about 150 words by developing the following hints.

- a) Old people - honest - work in their fields - the neighbours - covetous stingy old couple - borrowed killed the dog - the dog appeared - thanking old man - made mortar - from pine tree - He ground is rice - turned rich treasure - wicked old couple borrowed the mortar - rice turned into filth broke the mortar - burnt it - Again dog appeared dream - take the ashes - sprinkled on withered trees - revive - putout - flowers.

(OR)

- b) Tom Sawyer - unhappy - aunt polly concerned remedies on Tom - water treatment - Tom sad and pale - dejected - hot bath - bored - pain killer - mend the crack - Peter tasted - enjoyed chaos - aunt realised - regretted - felt sorry.

47) a) Read the following paragraph and answer the questions given below.

Elephants are considered keystone and Umbrella species as they play a key role within the environment that they live in. As Elephants live in herds and require large habitable areas, they tend to change the surrounding atmosphere from forests to grassland and help to disburse the seeds in an ecosystem that has no natural means of pollinating the area. An elephant requires around 70 to 100 liters of water everyday. Therefore the elephants in dry zones and dry seasons dig holes in river beds inorder to collect water and help sustain water for other species as well. The elephants habit of clearing the path they roam has acted as natural buffer zones when forest fires take place.

- i) What are the elephants considered as?
- ii) How many liters of water does an elephant require every day?
- iii) Where do they dig holes to collect water?
- iv) What acts as buffer zones during the forest fires?

(OR)

b) Read the following poem and answer the questions given below.

*What are you able to build with your blocks?
Castles and palaces, temples and docks
Rain may keep raining, and others go roam
But I can be happy and building at home
Let the Sofa be mountain, the carpet be sea
There I'll establish a city for me
A kirk and a mill and a palace beside.
And a harbour as well where my vessels may ride*

- a) What can be built with blocks
- b) Is the poet bothered about rains? why?
- c) What places does the want to establish in his city?
- d) Where is the poet playing?