

Half Yearly Exam - 2021-22
Class - X
Subject - English

Time : 2¼ Hours

Maximum Marks : 48

General Instructions to the Examinees :

1. Examinees must write first their Roll Nos. on the question paper.
2. All questions are compulsory.
3. Write answer to each question in the given answer book only.
4. For questions having more than one part the answer to those parts must be written together in continuity.
5. Write the correct serial number of each question as mentioned in paper.
6. Read the instructions given for each section and questions and follow them.

Section—A

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Multiple choice questions—

Choose the correct alternative and write the answer in your answer book— [3 × 1=3]

book-

1. Water.....[boil] at 100°C.
(A) Boiled (B) Boil (C) Boils (D) Boiling
2. The thief.....[escape] before the police arrived.
(A) Escapes (B) Escaped (C) Escape (D) Had Escaped
3. Tarun.....[study] when I met him yesterday.
(A) Was studying (B) Is studying
(C) Studies (D) Will study

Change the following sentences into Passive voice— [2 × 1=2]

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(A) Is written (B) Was written
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Fill in the blanks by changing them into indirect speech: [2 × 1 = 2]

6. My friend said, "Alas !, I have lost my bag."
My friend bag.
7. The teacher said "The sun rises in the east."
The teacher east.

P.T.O.

Fill in the blanks by conjunctions

8. He wanted to improve his piano playing _____ he wanted to win the competition. (so/but/because/therefore) [2 × 1 = 2]
9. Tom got good marks he studied hard. (because/but/so/then)

SECTION—B

10. Read the following passage and answer the questions that follow:

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- (iii) On Which day this incident happened ?
- (iv) Which states were affected by heavy rains?
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- (i) 'The Giant saw a most wonderful sight.' What did he see?
- (ii) Who was standing underneath the tree?
- (iii) Why did the Giant's face grow red with anger?
- (iv) Find the synonyms of the word wonderful from the passage.

SECTION—C

- 12: You are Prince Khatri living in Jaipur, your friend Dinesh has secured 1st rank in his school in X Board examination. Write a letter congratulating him on his success. 5 × 1 = 5

OR

Imagine that you are Ram Narayan Sinha and monitor of your class X reading in Government Secondary School Ranchi, Bihar. There are no proper library facilities in the school. Write an application of complaint to your Headmaster.

13. Complete the following story in about 60 to 80 words with the help of the given outlines : 3 × 1 = 3
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OR

A good boy falls bad company disobeys father advises to shun all in vain decides to teach a lesson brings apples puts them in almirah notices one rotten apple next day all apples rotten teaches a lesson.

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The house- the only one in the entire valley- sat on the crest of a low hill, From this height one could see the river and the field of ripe corn dotted with the flowers that always promised a good harvest. The only thing the Earth needed was a downpour or at least a shower. Throughout the morning Lencho who knew his fields intimately had done nothing else but see the sky towards the North-East. "Now we're really going to get some water, woman.

P.T.O.

"The woman who was preparing supper, replied, "Yes, God willing".

- (a) Where was Lencho's house located?
- (b) What was Lencho's wife preparing?
- (c) Find the word from the passage which means 'very closely'.
- (d) What does 'Crest' means?

Answer the following questions.

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15. Who accompanied Nelson Mandela on the inauguration?
16. Why was the young seagull afraid?
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Some say the world will end in fire

~~Some say in ice.~~

From what I've tasted of desire

I hold with those who favour fire.

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How does the tiger move in the cage?

Answer the following questions. 3×1=3

22. Why is Mrs Pumphrey is worried about tricky?
23. What does he get from Anil in return for his work?
24. How is Ausable different from other secret agents?

Write T for true and F for false statements [3×1=3]

25. Han Singh took a new name every month ()
26. Han Singh was a 20 years old ()
27. Griffin was a lawless person ()

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