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SESSION - 2021-2022

SUBJECT : ENGLISH

CLASS VIII

TIME: 3 HOURS

MAXIMUM MARK : 100

MINIMUM MARK : 33

General Instructions:

- I. This set of question paper is divided into three sections:
SECTION A: READING SECTION
SECTION B: WRITING AND GRAMMAR
SECTION C: LITERATURE
- II. All questions are **compulsory**.
- III. You may attempt any section at a time.
- IV. All questions of that particular section must be attempted in the correct order.

SECTION-A (READING)

(2X 6=12)

Q. No. 1 Trees are of importance not only to man but also to birds and animals. The branches of trees give shelter to millions of birds. We value trees not only their usefulness but also for their beauty. They have a way to refresh the eyes as well as the mind.

Once upon a time large areas of India were covered with forests full of numerous kind of trees. As the population grew, trees began to be cut down for man's use. That is how wonderful forests come to be destroyed. Now we are trying to replace this loss, and our government wants trees to be planted all over the country. A new festivals called 'Van Mahotsava' has been started for this purpose.

Since trees are the country's wealth we must consider it our sacred duty to protect them. We should plant new trees wherever we can and look after them well.

On the basis of the reading of the above passage, answer the following questions:

- a) We value trees for their _____.
- b) Trees important for _____.
- c) What has been started by the government to replace the loss of trees?
- d) What is our duty towards trees?
- e) Mention the reason behind the destruction of the forests.
- f) How are trees important to birds ?

SECTION-B (WRITING)

- Q.No. 2 Write an application to the principal of your school asking for four (4) days leave. Mention the reason as well. (5)
- Q. No.3. On your birthday your father gave you a surprise gift, a laptop which you always dreamt to have. Now, it was a reality to make you happy. Write a diary entry expressing your joy. (10)

Or

You are Taka/Yama. Write a letter to the editor of your local newspaper about issue of garbage in your locality which is polluting the entire area and is also an eyesore to all passer-by.

- Q.No.4 You are Radha/Raman of class 8th (a). You have lost your Mathematics textbook in the school playground. Draft a notice giving all the necessary details to retrieve your book. (1X10 = 10)
- Q.No.5. Write a paragraph on one of the following topic. (1X10 = 10)
- (a) Online class. (B) Honesty is the best policy. (c) Importance of Education.

SECTION-C (Grammar)

- Q. No. 6. Fill in the blanks with correct verbs given in the brackets. (1X5 = 5)
- (a). Slow and steady _____ (win/wins) the race.
- (b) Mathematics _____ (is/are) my favourite subject.
- (c) Neither of these two girls _____ (has /have) stolen my purse.
- (d) All work and no play _____ (make/makes) jack a dull boy.
- (e) He walks as if he _____ (was/were) lame.
- Q.No.7. Change the following in to indirect speech. (1X4 = 4)
- (a) The Teacher said, "The sun rises in the east"
- (b) She said, " I am clever"
- (c) Mary said. " i will go to the library tomorrow."
- (d) He says to Ram " I am your teacher".
- Q. No.8. Change the voice. (1X4 = 4)
- (a) We teach maths.
- (b) Meera was reading a letter.
- (c) Who steals money ?
- (d) He likes me.

SECTION-(D)

(Honey Dew)

Q. No.9. Answer the following questions. (any five).

(2X5 = 10)

- (a) what were the warning signs that both Tilli's and her mother saw ?
- (b) What happened to Jody's father ?
- (c) Why did the grandmother ask the children not to kill the Chuchundar ?
- (d) What was The Great Stone Face?
- (e) In what ways did the British officers exploits Indians ?
- (f) What was the story attributed to The Stone Face ?
- (g) What are the three qualities that played a major role in the author's climb?
- (h) Why did Tilli's family come to Thailand ?

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Q. No.10. Answer the following questions. (any five).

(2 x 5= 10)

- (a) What sort of things did Jaya and other children like her collect and what did they do with those things ?
- (b) Why didn't he pay the school fees on the day he brought money to school ?
- (c) What made the dog, the horse and the ox very angry ?
- (d) Why is the Giant called selfish ?
- (e) What did Hafeez Contractor have nightmares about ?
- (f) How many daughters did the royal couple have ?

Q. No.11. Read the extract given below and answer the questions that follow: (2 x 5= 10)

Says the ant to the cricket. " I'm your servant and friend.

But we ants never borrow; we ants never lend.

But tell me, dear cricket, did you lay nothing by

When the weather was warm ? Quoth the cricket. "Not

- a) Who is the ant to a cricket ?
- b) What is the principle of ants ?
- c) Pick out verbs from the stanza.
- d) Did the cricket lay anything when weather was warm ?
- e) Name the poem.

Or

Read the extract below and answer the following questions:-

“When I set out for Lyonesse
A hundred miles away,
The rime was on the spray;
And starlight lit my lonesomeness
When I set out for Lyonesse
A hundred miles away”

- (a) Name the poem and the poet.
- (b) Where is the poet going?
- (c) Which season of the year does the poem indicate?
- (d) Which word tells us it was night time?
- (e) For what purpose was the poet going to this particular place ?

Q.No. 12. State whether the following are true or false:-

(1x5=5)

- (a) One would clearly distinguish the features of The Stone Face only from a distance.
- (b) The great Stone Face seemed to suggest that Ernest should not fear the general.
- (c) Gathergold died in poverty and neglect.
- (d) Macavity cannot do what a Fakir can easily do.
- (e) Macavity is not an ordinary cat.

Q.No. 13. Fill in the blanks in the sentences below using the appropriate forms of the words given below:

(1 X 5= 5)

Travel, Chair, Draw, Succeed, True.

- a) The guide called Stephen Hawking a worthy _____ to Issac Newton.
- b) Some people say/yours _____ when they informally refer to themselves.
- c) I met a _____ from an antique land.
- d) The meeting was _____ by the youngest member of the board.
- e) I wish it had been a _____ match. We would have been spared the noise of celebration, at least.
