

Half Yearly Examination

Subject : English

Class : X

Time : 3 hrs

MM : 100

Note : All Questions are Compulsory :

Section 'A' (Reading)

(Unseen Passages)

Q.1 Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions given below it. (5)

Alladin was a poor Boy who found in an ancient tomb on dd lamp, which he proudly took home. But he did not know what a treasure he had found until he began to polish the lamp. As soon as began rubbing it, a terrible Jinn appeared, who told him that he was the slave of the magic lamp and bound to do any task his lord and master wanted. When Alladin wished for anything, he was only to rub the lamp and Jinn would appear to carry out his wishes. The Jinn was good at his word, for he supplied Alladin with the boundless wealth built splendid palace a in a moment, married him to the king's daughter and made him a prince.

1. What happened when Alladin rubbed a lamp? (1)
2. How did Alladin fulfill his wishes? (1)
3. What did Jinn tell Alladin? (1)
4. Find out a word from the passage which means 'Very Old'? (1)
5. Jinn built For Alladin. (1)

Q.2 Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions given below them: (5)

Gandhiji's mother was a very sweet, kind and religious women. She visited the temple daily. Often taking her little son with her. She fasted frequently too. Once she made a vow to eat only one meal a day for four months, and not to take even that one meal unless she had first seen sunshine, as she had made this vow in the rainy season, it was difficult to see sunshine at all, her children, who could not bear to think of their dear mother going without food, all the twenty four hours, would standing up at the sky, waiting to catch the first beams of the sun. As soon as a ray appeared, they would dash into the house call their mother to come and see for herself. By the time she came out, the sun had often gone

behind the clouds, again. “It doesn’t not matter”, she would say cheerfully. “God does not want me to eat today” and back to her household tasks. It this way Gandhiji learnt, from his good mother how to penance cheerfully for love of God.

1. What kind of women Gandhiji mother was? (1)
2. What vow did Gandhiji’s mother make? (1)
3. What did Gandhiji learn from his mother? (1)
4. Gandhiji mother visited the temple daily, often with : (1)
 - i. her husband.
 - ii. Her Son.
5. Find out a word from the passage which is opposite in meaning to ‘cruel’. (1)

Q.3 Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions given below them? (5)

Helen Keller Lost her sight eye-sight and hearing at the age of two because of an illness. She became deaf. She also lost the ability to speak, for we learn to speak by imitating what we hear. At first, it seemed impossible that she would ever understand others or be understood by them. Hers was thus a lonely world. But she was helped by a wonderful teacher named Miss. Sullivan who had herself been blind as a child but recovered her eye-sight by an Operation. Miss Sulivan Volunteered to help Helen and laught her to speak read and write. Helen, later, went to a university and gained a degree. She then spent the rest of her life working to help the blind and the deaf.

1. When did Helen Keller Lose her eye-sight and hearing? (1)
 - i. At Birth
 - ii. At the age of two
 - iii. At the age of four
2. Which word in the passage means ‘One who is unable to see’? (1)
 - i. Deaf
 - ii. Sight
 - iii. Blind
3. How do we learn to speak? (1)
4. How did Miss Sullivan help Helen? (1)
5. What did Helen do for the blind and the deaf? (1)

Section – B (Writing)

Q.4 You are Yash Gupta, residing in 15-133 chaurai Road Amarwara, Chhindwara. Write a letter to your friend Rahul to congratulate him on his brilliant success in High School Examination. (6)

Q.5 Read the following passage carefully and do as instructed in (a) and (b) below the passage. (7)

Each one of us must realize that the only future of India and her people is one of tolerance and co-operation, which have been the basis of our culture for ages past. We have laid down in our constitution that India is a secular state. This does not mean irreligion. It means equal respect for all faiths and equal opportunities for those, who prefer different faiths. We have, therefore always to keep in mind this vital aspect of our culture which is also of the highest importance in India today. Those who put up barriers between one Indian and another and who promote disruptive tendencies do not serve the cause of India and her culture. They weaken us at home and discredit abroad.

1. Read the above passage carefully and make notes on it. (4)

2. Supply a title and passage a summary of it. (3)

Q.6 Write a paragraph in about 80 words. On 'Missile Man' with the help of the verbal inputs given below. (7)

(Middle class family, Respect all religions, a lot of difficulties)

OR

Write an Essay in 200 words on any one of the following topics :

(i) Wonders of Science

(ii) Diwali

(iii) My Hobby

(iv) Importance of Games & Sports

Section – C (Grammar)

Q.7 (A) Fill in the blanks by using correct form of verbs given in brackets. (3)

(i) Students must avoid _____ bad company (Keep)

(ii) I don't like _____ by bus. (Travel)

(iii) _____ is a good exercise (Swim/Swimming)

(B) Rewrite the Sentences. (2)

(i) I (be) in a good mood.

(ii) You (be) in the hospital.

(C) Rewrite the following using verb II given in brackets. (2)

(i) She _____ the lamp (burn)

(ii) I wish you _____ me lot of money (pay)

(D) Fill in the blanks using (a, an, the) (3)

(i) This is _____ boy (a, an, the)

(ii) _____ cow of Mohan is gentle. (a, an, the)

(iii) _____ sky is blue (a, an, the)

Q.8 Do as Directed. (5)

(i) Come / I / Sir / in / May ? (Rearrange the words to make a meaningful sentence.)

(ii) Modah did it Correctly (Change into negative)

(iii) We like sweets (Change into Interrogative)

(iv) Mr. Khan rives in Bhopal. (Make a question beginning with 'where')

(v) He has sold his house (Change into past perfect).

Q.9 Translate 'any five' Sentence into English. (5)

(i) मैं कमरा साफ कर रहा हूँ। —

(ii) वर्षा होती है। —

(iii) चन्द्रमा चमक रहा था। —

(iv) पिताजी अखबार पढ़ रहे थे। —

(v) शिक्षक ने मोहन को सजा दी —

(vi) तुम कहां रहते हो? —

(vii) वर्षा हो रही है। —

Section – D

Q.10 Read the following extract carefully and Answer the question given below it. (5)

All the household articles were heaped in the family courtyard. These were divided into three parts; all the small things of the house, almost everything movable, starting from the ladles made out of coconut shells and bamboo to the little box, where father used to keep his betels. The are and the old radio set too had been produced. A long lists of all the items was made. Nothing was spread, neither the dhinki nor the little figures of the family idols.

- (1) Why were the articles heaped in the courtyard? (2)
- (2) Who is the writer of this passage? (1)
- (3) The word 'ladle' means: (1)
- (4) Give one word for 'the hard covering of any thing'. (1)

Q.11 Read the following extract carefully and answer the questions given below it. (5)

Usually my elder brother does not write to me. He does not need anything from me. He has never sought a token from me in Lieu of his concern for me as an elder brother. In those days when I was a student, the only thing that he enquired about was my well-being. During my stay at home? He would catch the fish for me a from the pond behind our house and would ask his wife to prepare a good dish, for I loved fish. When the Catch was Scanty, the dish would be prepared exclusively for me. He would say to his wife. "You must make the dish as delicious as possible, using mustard paste for Babuli". Even now' he is the same man with the same tone of compassing. Nothing has changed him. He is the same- my elder brother.

1. From which lesson the extract has been taken? (1)
2. When the writer was a student, his elder brother enquired about: (1)
 - (i) his health (ii) required money (iii) his well-being.
3. Word 'delicious' means- (1)
 - (i) Tasty (ii) Sour (iii) Sweet
4. When it did elder brother say to his wife? (1)
5. My _____ brother does not write to me. (1)

Q.12 Answer the following questions about 30 words:

- (i) Why Abdul Kalam go to Delhi? (3)
- (ii) Why did Babuli give the paper slip to his elder sister-in-law? (3)

Q.13 Describe the qualities of Maharana Pratap? (4)

Q.14 Read the Extract Carefully and answer the Questions given it.

One angry moment often does

What we repent for years,

It works the wrong we never make right

By sorrow or tears

(A) The meaning of the word 'repent' is : (1)

- (i) to feel pappy (ii) to feel sorry (iii) to feel excitement

(B) What we repent for? (1)

- (i) Sorrow (ii) Tears (iii) angry moment

(C) Name the poem and the poet. (1)

Q.15 Compete peace with anger. (3)

Q.16 Answer the following. (2x2 = 4)

- (i) Who is greater than king?
- (ii) What are the types of work of the wind as described in the poem?

Q.17 Answer the following (workbook) (5x3=15)

- (i) What is the factor that assures strength?
- (ii) What hardships do children face at home?
- (iii) How is cow useful for us?
- (iv) What was the problem with the soldier?
- (v) What do we need for our highways?