# NORTH EX PUBLIC SCHOOL (RECOGNISED)

Half Yearly Examination (Session 2020-21)
Class: VII Subject: English
Time: 2 Hours Maximum Marks: 80

\* Required

#### **General Instructions**

- a) Attempt all the questions.
- b) This paper is divided into three Sections A, B and C. (Instructions for each section are given in that section)
- c) This Question Paper Carries 50 Questions.

| 1. | Name *              |
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| 2. | Section *           |
|    | Mark only one oval. |
|    | A                   |
|    | В                   |

## SECTION - A (Reading) [20 Marks]

Questions 1 - 8 are MCQs (2 marks each) [2X8 = 16 Marks]
Question 9 is Short Answer Type Question (carries 4 Mark) [4X1 = 4 Marks]

### Read the following passage and answer the questions that follow:

Emperor Claudius II decided that single men made better soldiers than those who were married. With this thought in mind he declared that marriage was forbidden for the people of Rome. He was called 'Claudius the Cruel'. Priest Valentine entirely opposed this unfair law. He helped young lovers by secretly performing their marriage ceremonies. Unfortunately, one night he was caught and thrown into jail.

The daughter of the prison guard used to visit him and cheer him up. They would often talk for hours. When his death was near, he left a thank you note for his friend which read 'Love from your Valentine'. He died on 14th of February. Thus that date is celebrated in the memory of Saint Valentine and young lovers all over the world exchange love messages and gifts on this day.

| 3. | 1. Who banned marriages in Rome?                        |
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|    | Mark only one oval.                                     |
|    | a. Saint Valentine b. Claudius II c. Roman Pope         |
| 4. | 2. Why did Saint Valentine end up in jail?              |
|    | Mark only one oval.                                     |
|    | a. He was an alcoholic                                  |
|    | b. He murdered someone                                  |
|    | c. He performed secret marriage ceremonies.             |
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| 5. | 3. Why was marriage forbidden for the people of Rome?   |
|    | Mark only one oval.                                     |
|    | a. It is a sin  |
|    | b. It distracts people from serving the country in War. |
|    | c. It is absolute wastage of money.                     |
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| 6. | 4. How did Saint Valentine help young lovers?           |
|    | Mark only one oval.                                     |
|    | a. By secretly performing their marriages.              |
|    | b. By planning to kill Emperor Claudius II.             |
|    | c. By helping them escape the country.                  |

| 1.  | 5. Who was the special guest of Saint Valentine in the prison? |
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|     | Mark only one oval.  |
|     | a. Saint Valentine's daughter.                                 |
|     | b. Prison guard's daughter.                                    |
|     | c. His brother.  |
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| 8.  | 6. Why did people like Saint Valnetine?                        |
|     | Mark only one oval.  |
|     | a. He supported the decision of the emperor.                   |
|     | b. He opposed the decision of the emperor.                     |
|     | c. He never had an opinion of his own.                         |
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| 9.  | 7. What was the nickname given to Claudius II?                 |
|     | Mark only one oval.  |
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|     | a. Claudius the lover  |
|     | b. Claudius the Cruel  |
|     | c. Claudius the Saint  |
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| 10. | 8. Death note of Saint Valentine was addressed to:             |
|     | Mark only one oval.  |
|     | a. All young lovers  |
|     | b. Prison Guard's daughter                                     |
|     | c. His family  |
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# Question Number 9 is a short answer type question.

It carries 4 Marks. [ 1X4 = 4 Marks]

| 11.     | 9. When do people celebrate Valentine's Day? Why is it celebrated and how?  |
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| This se | ION - B (Grammar and Writing) [30 Marks] ction has 15 MCQ questions. (1 mark each) [1X15 = 15 Marks] tions with One sentence answers. (2 Marks each) [2X5 = 10 Marks] Section - 1 Question which has 5 Marks. [5X1 = 5 Marks] |
| 12.     | 10. Fill in the blank with suitable Interrogative Determiner:  ' car is yours?'   |
|         | Mark only one oval.   |
|         | a. When   |
|         | b. Which  |
|         | c. where  |
| 13.     | 11. Fill in the blank with suitable adjective: 'Shyama is the child in class.'  |
|         | Mark only one oval.   |
|         | a. Naughty b. Naughtier c. Naughtiest   |

| 14. | 12. Fill in with appropriate Article:  'Shreya is sincere child.'   |
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|     | Mark only one oval.   |
|     | a. An b. The c. A   |
| 15. | 13. Fill in with appropriate Article:  'She is eyewitness.'         |
|     | Mark only one oval.   |
|     | a. An b. A c. The   |
|     |   |
| 16. | 14. Fill in suitable Emphatic Pronouns:  'She Stitched this dress.' |
|     | Mark only one oval.   |
|     | a. Her b. Himself c. Herself  |
| 17. | 15. Fill in the blank with suitable Personal Pronoun:               |
|     | ' is going to rain today.'  |
|     | Mark only one oval.   |
|     | a. You  |
|     | b. They   |
|     | ( ) c. lt   |

| 16. Pick out the Auxiliary Verb in the sentence given below: 'Shyam was enjoying the movie.'                    |
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| Mark only one oval.   |
| a. Enjoying b. The c. Was   |
| 17. Pick out the Auxiliary Verb in the sentence given below: 'Arjun has delivered the goods.'                   |
| Mark only one oval.  a. Delivered  b. Has  c. Goods   |
| 18. Pick out the Direct Object: 'Rama promised me a cycle.'  Mark only one oval.  a. Promised b. Me c. A Cycle  |
| 19. Pick out the Indirect Object: 'She gave them a good answer.'  Mark only one oval.  a. She b. Them c. Answer |
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| 22. | 20. Pick out the Direct Object: 'I observed the stars at night.' |
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|     | Mark only one oval.  |
|     | a. The Stars b. I c. Night                                       |
| 23. | 21. Pick out the Past Participle form of 'Stink'.                |
|     | Mark only one oval.  |
|     | a. Stunk   |
|     | b. Stank   |
|     | c. Stenk   |
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| 24. | 22. Pick out the Past Participle form of 'Slide'.                |
|     | Mark only one oval.  |
|     | a. Slad  |
|     | b. Slid  |
|     | c. Sladen  |
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| 25. | 23. Fill with appropriate modals:                                |
|     | 'I drop you home? (Permission)                                   |
|     | Mark only one oval.  |
|     | a. Must  |
|     | b. May   |
|     | c. Ought to  |

| 26. | 24. Fill with appropriate modals: 'I visit my aunt.' (Possibility)      |
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|     | Mark only one oval.   |
|     | a. Will b. Might c. Ought to  |
|     | Question 25 to 29, Write one Sentence answers. s each [ 2X5 = 10 Marks] |
| 27. | 25. Convert into Passive Voice: 'Sanya tasted the cake.'                |
| 28. | 26. Convert into Passive Voice: 'A thief stole my purse yesterday.'     |
| 29. | 27. Form the interrogative sentence: 'Sheena is a young kid.'           |
| 30. | 28. Form the interrogative sentence: 'This cake tastes bad.'            |
| 31. | 29. Form the negative sentence: 'Shalini cooks well.'                   |

| 32.              | 30. Write a paragraph in 50 words on - "How Corona Virus changed the life of people". [5 Marks]   |
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| 12 MC<br>6 One l | ION - C (Literature) [30 Marks] Qs - 1 Mark each [1X12 = 12 Marks] Line Answers - 2 Marks each [2X6 = 12 Marks] E Line Answers - 3 Marks each [3X2 = 6 Marks] |
| 33.              | 31. Casabianca did not leave the burning ship because he was:  Mark only one oval.  a. an obedient child  b. he wanted to die  c. he enjoyed the heat         |
| 34.              | 32. When the pilots abandoned the aircraft, Neerja:  Mark only one oval.  a. ran away  b. took command  c. got scared   |

| 35. | 33. In the poem Casabianca, our hero exhibits the quality of:  |
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|     | Mark only one oval.  |
|     | a. Cowardice b. Anxiety c. Courage   |
| 36. | 34. In 'The Luncheon' narrator was throughout worried about:   |
|     | Mark only one oval.  |
|     | a. his looks   |
|     | b. the quality of food   |
|     | c. the bill  |
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| 37. | 35. What was the revenge for the narrator at the end of the story 'The Luncheon'?  |
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| 37. |  |
| 37. | Mark only one oval.  |
| 37. | Mark only one oval.  a. Lady paid the bill   |
| 37. | Mark only one oval.  a. Lady paid the bill  b. Lady couldn't eat properly  |
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|     | Mark only one oval.  a. Lady paid the bill  b. Lady couldn't eat properly  c. Lady gained weight   |
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| 39. | 37. David was very anxious after reaching Aunt Betsey's house because:      |
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|     | Mark only one oval.   |
|     | a. he was thinking about his future b. he was not comfortable in that house |
|     | c. he wanted to run away from there   |
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| 40. | 38. Aunt Betsey couldn't recognise David at first because:                  |
|     | Mark only one oval.   |
|     | a. his clothes were torn  |
|     | b. it was dark  |
|     | c. she only met him years ago on the day he was born                        |
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| 41. | 39. Who was Uriah Heep?   |
|     | Mark only one oval.   |
|     | a. The housekeeper of Mr. Wickfield   |
|     | b. A friend of Mr. Wickfield  |
|     | c. A lawyer like Mr. Wickfield  |
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| 42. | 40. At David's new school, who was the head boy?                            |
|     | Mark only one oval.   |
|     | a. Adams  |
|     | b. Agnes  |
|     | c. Micheal  |

| 43. | 41. In Rats on a Train, the boys didn't allow the old man into the coach saying:    |
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|     | Mark only one oval.   |
|     | a. there are rats b. you are old c. there is no space                               |
| 44. | 42. The boys were irritated at the beginning of the play 'Rats on a Train' because: |
|     | Mark only one oval.   |
|     | a. they were hungry   |
|     | b. they didn't want a new Sanskrit teacher  |
|     | c. they lost their money  |
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|     | one sentence answers for questions 43 to 48. arry 2 Marks each. [ 2X6 = 12 Marks]   |
| 45. | 43. When Anne wanted to punish Helen, what did she do?                              |
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| 46. | 44. Who decided to become the joint guardians of David?                             |
| 47. | 45. Why did Aunt Betsey not allow Mr. Murdstone to take David with him?             |
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| 48.  | 46. Who ate the food of elderly man in 'Rats on a Train'?                               |
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| 49.  | 47. Why was the secretary of the school present at the station in 'Rats on a Train'?    |
| 50.  | 48. What was David's reaction when his aunt told him about his schooling in Canterbury? |
| For questions 49 and 50, Write three line answers.  It Carries 3 Marks each [ 3X2 = 6 Marks] |   |
| 51.  | 49. Why did Aunt Betsey meet Mr. Wickfield?   |
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| 52.  | 50. Write a few lines about Helen Keller's family.                                      |
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